



AWHITU
DISTRICT SCHOOL



Empowering students to care, adapt and succeed with PRIDE

No 4: Wk 8: Monday 25th March 2024

School Phones: 092351005 or txt: 0275247338

The 2024 school leaders were announced on Friday. Awhitu District School is extremely privileged to have an amazing group of mature and dedicated Year 8 students for 2024. Although there are only 7 Yr 8's this year, they are all committed to working with staff and making opportunities available to all the students at school.

Congratulations to the 2024 Awhitu District School Leaders

Head Girl: Nina Palmer

Head Boy: Daniel Monteith

Deputy Head Girl: Lainey van Groenewoud

Deputy Head Boy: Jasper Hickey

Junior School Ambassadors: Lilli Just and Denis Hinton

School Leader Administrator: Samuel Bargh

Kaiwhare House Leaders: Denis Hinton and Keenan Bowden

Turamarama House Leaders: Nina Palmer and Lilli Just

Paratutae House Leaders: Daniel Monteith and Lainey van Groenewoud

Paorae House Leaders: Jasper Hickey and Samuel Bargh

The Easter Holidays are almost here! School is closed for students on **Friday 29th March (Good Friday), Monday 1st April and Tuesday 2nd April**. School begins again on Wednesday 3rd April.



The Annual Easter Auction is this Saturday, 30th April. Good Friday will be a very busy day at school with preparation for the Easter Auction on Saturday, in full swing. It's still not too late to offer your help. It will be appreciated. Please contact Cheney McGlynn : 0210780606.

Easter Auction Raffle Items

The Easter Auction is zooming up fast! Please keep those grocery and raffle items coming in. Thank you so much to those families that have already contributed items.

We do need some more items and grocery products though. To make it easier, below is a list of items that your child's class can bring in along with the grocery items.

The Easter Auction as you know is the main fundraising event for our school. The money raised contributes so much extra funding to allow your children many additional learning opportunities throughout the year. Your support for the auction is really appreciated.

Rm 1 collecting : Easter Eggs in all shapes and forms

Rm 2 collecting : Stationery items, glitter pens, sparkly notepads, etc.

Rm 3 collecting : New Toys suitable for raffle prizes

Rm 4 collecting : Household items e.g a tea-towel, cooking utensil, mug etc

Rm 6 collecting : Health & beauty items e.g. hand lotion, facial creme, shower gel etc.



Congratulations

At the last assembly the following students were awarded certificates for a variety of achievements such as showing leadership, always making an outstanding effort, for hard work and demonstrating our PRIDE values.

Pride Awards

Te Whaanau Takahe R1: Kyah and Daniel
Te Whaanau Mokomoko R2: Majesty and Lilli J
Te Whaanau Honu R3 : Arthur and Trey W
Te Whaanau Kiwi R4: Manu and Trey Boy (Rm 3)
Te Whaanau Toroa R6: Carter and Judah

Class Awards

Te Whaanau Takahe R1: Eden and Finley
Te Whaanau Mokokoko R2: Denis and Krishan
Te Whaanau Honu R3 : Maggie and Cooper
Te Whaanau Kiwi R4: Ayrton and Andre H-H
Te Whaanau Toroa R6: Stevie and Ashyr

Principal's Award

Joshua (Te Whaanau Honu), **Annabelle** (Te Whaanau Kiwi) and **Zoe** (Te Whaanau Takahe)

The next whole school assembly is on Thursday 11th April 2024

SUPER SMASH CRICKET

On Friday 22nd, the whole school participated in the “Super Smash Cricket” programme. This is a programme to deliver cricket skills to the students. They all had a great time. Thanks to Whaea Deb for organising this opportunity for our students.





Coming up this week...

Sullivan's Yr 7/8 Sports Tournament: Tuesday 26th March
Good luck to all our students participating in this event.

Great News! At the end of last year, parents/caregivers were asked if they were interested in their child/ren participating in STEAM learning lessons delivered by teachers from a company called *STEAM Academy by William and Stanley*. They have specialised technology teachers who will come out to our school, provide all the equipment and resources needed for delivering technology lessons to your child/ren. They already operate in several Franklin schools. Their programme is designed to make a positive impact within schools, running for a duration of six weeks each term, either during or after school hours. They have begun this initiative as many small rural schools like Awhitu District School do not have the range of specialised technical equipment and expertise to deliver these lessons like they can. Initially they needed a minimum of 50 students to enrol in the programme for them to come out to our school. We had 30 students. But they have now confirmed they will come out to Awhitu District School, starting next term, to run this programme. This is not funded by the Ministry of Education though, and parents/caregivers pay for the lessons. There will be an online enrolment form which you will soon be sent a link to.

Dates to remember		
Week 8	Tuesday 26th March	Yr 7/8 Sullivan's Sports Tournament
Week 8	Friday 29th March	Good Friday
	Saturday 30th March	EASTER AUCTION
Week 9/10	Monday 1st April and Tuesday 2nd April	Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday holidays
Week 10	Tuesday 9th April	Room 6(Toroa) visit to the Auckland Symphony Orchestra
Week 10	Thursday 11th April	School Assembly 1.40pm
Week 10	Friday 12th April	End of Term 1
Week 1 (Term 2)	Monday 29th April	Term 2 Starts
Yr 7/8 Term 1 Technology Dates		Friday 12/4/24

Nga mihi nui from the team at Awhitu District School

Community Notices



Brylee Tashman

Residential Sales Waiuku Branch

Mobile 021 429 462

You may have already heard but one of our local Mums, Brylee Tashman now works with Barfoot and Thompson Waiuku, specialising in selling properties on the Peninsula. Brylee has approached us with a fantastic and generous initiative that any real estate listing that comes

referred through the school and is listed and sold by Brylee, a \$500 referral fee will be donated to the school. In addition she will be donating 10% of her annual real estate profit for this year to Awhitu District School.

Please ask the school directly how you can get involved in this program or contact Brylee Directly on 021 429 462 or b.tashman@barfoot.co.nz



School Holiday Programme in the Pavilion...

The Waiuku Library is running another School Holiday programme these holidays. This will be on Monday 15th April from 10am to 12pm in the school pavilion. The theme is "Secrets in the Moana".

It's great to have this free programme at school so you don't have to travel into Waiuku. So come along and support it to ensure that it continues. See the flyer below for more information.



'Young at Art offer Children's, Teens & Adult Art classes in Pukekohe.

Our Holiday workshops are open for booking. These holidays we are offering Papier Mache, Acrylic & Watercolour Painting, Printing, Craft, Mixed Media and illustration workshops in PUKEKOHE and ARARIMU. Term 1 ART ADVENTURES after school classes are open for booking in groups for children aged 6-9yrs, 9-12yrs and 13yrs+ on Monday's, Tuesday's and Wednesday's. If there is no space in your chosen class please email Anna to join the waiting list we often have an odd spot come up at the beginning of term. Adult workshops include watercolour, Resin Art and Family Mixed Media workshops. For more information or to book please check out: <http://www.youngatart.co.nz/> / email: admin@youngatart.co.nz. Bookings are essential as places are limited'