



Empowering students to care, adapt and succeed with PRIDE

No 6: Wk 1: Monday 29th April 2024

School Phones: 092351005 or 0275247338

Welcome back to our wonderful students, whanau and families. I hope everyone had a refreshing break over the school holidays.

Welcome to our new students

Awhitu District School extends a warm welcome to Lincoln A.,Max N.,Violet and Datsun U., and their families. They are joining Kiwi and Toroa rooms respectively. We sincerely hope you enjoy your time here.

- This term starts with Whaea Deb and Yr 6's participating in the *Trees For Survival planting day* on *Friday 3rd May* at Chris and Greta Harris' property. Get your gumboots ready!
- Yr 7/8 technology lessons start this *Friday, 3rd May.*
- Next week school photos are on *Tuesday 7th May*.
- The Yr 7/8 Orienteering competition is on Wednesday 8th May.
- Please make sure permission slips for the Yr 3 8 upcoming soccer tournaments in week 4, are in *this week by Friday 3rd May.*

IMPORTANT REMINDER

If you want your child/ren participating in the technology STEAM learning lessons delivered by specialist teachers from a company called *STEAM Academy by William and Stanley,* please follow the link below to enrol your child/ren in this programme.

This enrolment must be completed by parents, not the school. You can also enrol your child/ren by going to their website "William & Stanley Steam Academy" and clicking on "Steam in schools" and Awhitu District School will be there.

https://williamandstanley.co.nz/products/awhitu-district-school-2024-steam-programme-selecta-payment-option-that-best-suits-you

If you have any problems with the enrolment process, please contact the school.

CELLPHONES IN SCHOOLS A reminder that the government's "cellphones in school" ban for all NZ schools is effective from today. Awhitu District School already has this in place. If a student needs to bring a cellphone to school, it must be taken to the school office for safe-keeping and collected after school. Cellphones must be kept in a student's bag at all times while travelling on the school bus.



Thank you to all the families that supported the Waiuku Library Holiday programme held on the first Monday of the holidays. Some awesome artwork and crafts were completed! Your support will ensure this programme continues in the future.

• There are still lots of exciting events and trips planned for this term. More information will be sent to you as these events are confirmed and organised.



This November 2024, is the 75th Anniversary of the opening of Awhitu District School in 1949.

If any ex pupils or families in the community would like to help organise an event to mark this occasion please contact the school: 092351005.

We would love any photos or stories that you may have that you would be happy to lend to the school.

Coming up this term so far... Please check the dates below for any changes and/or updates.

| Term 2 Dates | | |
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| Week 1 | Monday 29th April Tuesday 30th April | Term 2 Starts Board Meeting |
| Week 1 Week 3 | Friday 3rd May Friday 1th May | Yr 6 TFS Planting Day Yr 6 TFS Planting Day |
| Week 2 | Tuesday 7th May Wednesday 8th May | School Photos Yr 7/8 Orienteering Competition |
| Week 3 | Wednesday 15th May Thursday 16th May Thursday 16th May | Puketapu Trip Pink Shirt Day School Support Staff Recognition Day |
| Week 4 | Wednesday 22nd May Thursday 23rd May Friday 24th May | Yr 7/8 Soccer Tournament Yr 3/4 Soccer Tournament Yr 5/6 Soccer Tournament |
| Week 6 | Monday 3rd June Tuesday 4th June | King's Birthday Weekend Franklin School's Teacher Only Day |
| Week 8 | Friday 21st June | Matariki Kapa Haka Concert at Waiuku College |
| Week 9 | Friday 28th June Tuesday 25th June | Matariki Public Holiday Yr 7/8 Waiuku Schools Rotary Speech Competition |
| Week 10 | Friday 5th July | End of Term 2 |
| Yr 7/8 Term 2 VRS Technology Dates: Friday 3rd May, Friday 17th May, Friday 31st May, Friday 14th June | | |
| Term 3: Monday 22nd July - Friday 27th September Term 4: Monday 14th October - Thursday 19th December | | |

Nga mihi nui from the team at Awhitu District School

WAIUKU NETBALL CENTRE

OPENING DAY

We would like to invite you along to our 2024 Opening Day on 4th May at 11.20am.

We will have a March Past followed by the Official Opening of Courts 5&6

We would like to invite you to join us upstairs for a morning tea afterwards.

Please RSVP by 27th April 2024 for catering purposes

waiukunetball@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued support of Waiuku Netball Centre.

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Deposit to a/c 12 3044 0310581 05 with your name as a reference

FOR MORE INFO OR BOOKINGS CONTACT Judy 027 546 2406 or Julie 021 251 0243

Bring \$\$\$ for raffles & drinks

Interested in local history?

It's time to support the group that keeps records and photos for future generations to enjoy! To find out more come to the Awhitu Peninsula Historical Society's

A G M

at 10 am

on Thursday 23 May

at the old Matakawau School [behind the Playcentre]



For more information about us or the new book: Heads, Harbour & <u>Hills Awhitu</u> and Pollok History phone Gillian 235 <u>8810 /</u> 027 443 5881