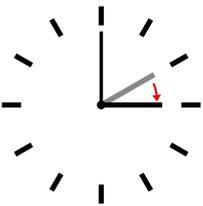




Week 10 Friday 22nd September 2023

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Kia Ora Everyone

This is the last newsletter for Term 3. Don't forget that daylight savings begins this weekend. It goes from Sunday 24th September to Sunday 7th April 2024. Remember to put your clocks forward one hour. New Zealand first introduced daylight savings in 1927. The dates and time difference were changed several times over the following years. The current times have been fixed since 2007.

A very warm welcome to Awhitu District School to our newest 5 year old, Andre, who joins Te whaanau Kiwi. We hope you enjoy your time here with us!

School Holiday Programme in the Pavilion... Remember that Waiuku Library is running another School Holiday programme these holidays. This will be on Tuesday 3rd of October from 10am to 12pm in the school pavilion.

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.



School assemblies are held every second Friday at 1.40pm. The next assembly is on Friday 20th October Term 4.



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: Landon and Oscar
Te Whaanau Mokomoko: Kiara and Zoe
Te Whaanau Honu: Kayson and Kaitlin
Te Whaanau Kiwi: Andre and Makuini
Te Whaanau Toroa: Samuel B and Daniel

Class Awards

Te Whaanau Takahe: Majesty and Flynn
Te Whaanau Mokokoko: Bonnie and Alexis
Te Whaanau Honu: Billie and Imani
Te Whaanau Kiwi: Trey W and Maisy
Te Whaanau Toroa: Joeleen and Nina

Principal's Award

Carter from Te Whaanau Honu and Landon from Te Whaanau Takahe



The Yr 7 & 8's concluded their "Passion Projects" on Thursday, holding a Netball Tournament for all the school. These students have done an amazing job of organising all the events over the last two terms. It has been so exciting and gratifying to have seen the leadership capabilities of these senior students develop and flourish. A huge thank you to Whaea Kiestie for leading this initiative.



Soccer Balls... We have been really lucky to have been given 16 new soccer balls. These were excess soccer balls left over from the recent FIFA World Cup event.

Remember to collect the “YUMMY” stickers and tokens that are on apples and send them to school in the first week of Term 4 as they have to be sent to Yummy Fruit Company by 17th October. The more we have, the more points we get for PE sports gear for our students.

ART MURAL... Our very artistic Whaea Elaine, has entered the school into the Resene School Mural competition. With a group of students, she is busy creating a mural on the side of the PTA shed. The mural represents the school's four houses, Turamarama, Paorae, Paratutae and Kaiwhare. When it is finished it will be entered into the competition.

Teacher Only Day... All the Waiuku Primary Schools are having a combined Teacher Only Day on Friday 17th November. This has been given to schools by the MOE (Ministry of Education) for professional development of the new curriculums that are currently being refreshed and rolled out to schools. Te Mātaiaho | the refreshed curriculum will support every ākonga (learner) to experience success in their learning. It will give effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, and will be inclusive, clear about the learning that matters, and easy to use from year 0 to year 13. The refreshed curriculum content is being developed and released in phases, and schools and kura will have until the beginning of 2027 to start using the fully refreshed curriculum.

The first stage of the refresh took effect at the start of 2023, and new [Aotearoa New Zealand's histories](#) content must now be taught in all schools. From 2025, schools must use the refreshed mathematics and statistics and English learning areas. The implementation deadline for the full curricula is 2027.



HATS... In Term 4 all students are required to wear hats when outside. The bucket hats are the best, as caps don't protect ears and the back of the neck from sunburn.

TERM 4 DATES TO REMEMBER (SO FAR.)

Remember the school bell rings at 8.20am each morning and at 2.25pm each afternoon.

Wk 1	Term 4 Begins	Monday 9th October
Wk 1	Calf Club	Saturday 14th October
Wk 3	Labour Day Holiday	Monday 23rd October
Wk 4	School Athletics Day	Tuesday 31st October
Wk 5	Group Day Athletics	Thursday 9th November
Wk 6	Teacher Only Day	Friday 17th November
Wk 9	Yr 5 - 8 Camp	Wednesday 6th - Friday 8th December.
Wk 10	Yr 8 Social Dance	Tuesday 12th December
Wk 10	Last day of Term 4	Friday 15th December at 1pm.

Yr 7/8 Technology dates for Term 4 : Friday 13/10/23, 27/10/23, 10/11/23, 24/11/23

Nga mihi nui and have an awesome time with your beautiful tamariki over the holidays
The Team at Awhitu District School



Does this Navigator South sleeping bag belong to anyone? It was left behind at school after the Kapahaka wananga.

Calendar Art – Have your child’s own artwork made into unique products! Perfect Christmas presents for friends and family – treasured keepsakes. We will have the student’s Calendar Art on display for you to view on Calf Club day.

The pricing is:

Calendars \$13

Cards \$13

Diaries \$15

Mouse Mats \$15

Sketch Pads \$15

The order forms will be given to your child at the beginning of next term. Orders are due online before Friday 20th October. Further information about ordering online will be included in the order form that your child will bring home.



Treasure Hunters

Awhitu School Holiday Event

Tuesday 3 October 10am-12noon

Awhitu School Pavilion
Matakawau Rd
Awhitu 2684

Free

waiuku ZERO WASTE

FRANKLIN COMMUNITY HUB

Franklin Local Board
Auckland Council