



**AWHITU**  
DISTRICT SCHOOL



Empowering students to care, adapt and succeed with PRIDE

Week 10 Thursday 29th June 2023

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### ***Final newsletter for Term 2***

Well the school holidays are here again and hopefully the weather will be kind to all of us! The final assembly for the term is this Friday at 1.35pm in the pavilion. Te Whaanau Kiwi is hosting it.

Please note that the Yr 7 & 8's have Technology at View Road School on the first Friday next term( Friday 21st July).

Remember that Term 3 starts on **Monday 17th July 2023.**

**Last Friday was the Waiuku Schools' Combined Matariki Celebration Concert at Waiuku College.**

This was an amazing event and it was the first time Awhitu District School had a Kapa Haka Group performing and they were absolutely incredible. Everyone was so proud of them. Thank you to everyone who supported them and to **Matua T** for tutoring the group to such a high standard.

Can all students please return their kapa haka uniform to school before the end of the term.





**On Monday morning, in a window of fine weather, the students held an inter-house soccer tournament.**

Thanks so much to Whaea Kirstie and the Yr 7 & 8 students for organising this! **Paratutae** won the senior competition and **Turamarama** won the junior competition. School houses are: Kaiwhare(red) Paratutae(green) Paorae(blue) Turamarama(yellow).

**On Tuesday this week, Te Whaanau Takahe were also really lucky to strike a window of some beautiful sunny weather to plant 800 trees at the Oldfiels's property for their Trees For Survival planting day.** It was raining in the morning when they left school, but then the sun came out for the planting. Not long after arriving back at school, the rain returned! Thank you to the parents who volunteered their time to support the students.

## ***Great news***

**Waiuku Library is holding a school holiday event "Ngaa Tamariki o Matariki, The Children of Matariki"** in the Awhitu School pavilion for the local children, this will run from 10am to 12pm on *Wednesday 5th July*. There is no cost for this event, but parents/caregivers are required to stay with their child/ren.

Please ring the office to register for the holiday programme or email [franklinoutreach@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:franklinoutreach@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)  
Events are being held at various other libraries and locations in the Franklin area. *See the attached flyer for details.*

## ***Coming up in term 2***

**3-Way Conferences** will be held in Week 1, Term 3 on **Thursday 20th July**. You can book a time slot through the Skool Loop App.

**BOOK FAIR at school in the library** will be running in Week 1, Term 3. A big thank you to Mrs Andrews and Tania Torpey for organising this. More details will be available soon.

## **JUNIOR SCHOOL GRANDPARENTS DAY - Start at 8.20am**

Te Whaanau Kiwi (Room 4) and Te Whaanau Honu (Room 3) are inviting all grandparents to another special "**grandparents morning**" (see below). The students will be doing arts & crafts, dance and song, followed by a welcome morning tea. There will be time for the students to take their grandparents through the bookfair afterward as well.



Oma and Opa      Bibi and Babu      Kui and Kui Tangata  
Koro and Kuia      Nana and Poppa      Bebe and Ba  
Grandma and Grandad      Tinamatua ma Tama Matua



Te Whanau Honu and Te Whanau Kiwi would like to invite you to please join us for a fun filled morning of music and craft.

Followed by a cup of tea and cookies and a browse through our library to look at all of the books available in this year's book fair.



# Junior School Grandparents Day



*In Room 3 and 4 on  
Tuesday 18th July  
8.20 - 10.15*



## *Sporting Events*

**The Franklin Netball Tournament is happening in Week 3.** This is for Yr 3-8 students and is always lots of fun.

**Our annual School Cross Country** is in Week 4 on Tuesday 8th August (saving day is Thursday 10th August).

**The Waiuku Schools Cross Country Group Day** is in Week 5, on Tuesday 15th August (saving day is Thursday 17th August).

## *Music Competition*

**Congratulations to Kaitlin Smyth** on her success in the recent 44th Annual Counties Music Competitions.

Kaitlin performed two pieces and received a result of a "Very Highly Commended Certificate" for her first piece "The Hokey Pokey" and she received a Bronze Medal for her second piece called "Tiny Tim". Well done Kaitlin!

Please note that during the school holidays, some maintenance work will be carried out on the school adventure playground. Please keep clear of this area.

***Have a safe and happy holiday***

***Nga mihi nui***

***The Team at Awhitu District School***

## Community Notices

Introducing "Health Through the Marae" from Rebecca Taupo and based at Tahuna Marae.

We are a new low cost GP clinic:

- 0-17 years are FREE,
- 18-65 years pay \$10 and
- >65 years are free.

We have a virtual GP Mon- Fri 10am -2pm. Dr Gillian Kearon who is wonderful and highly skilled in virtual medicine. We have a special device which allows her to listen to hearts/lungs, look in ears/eyes and throats etc. It's amazing technology!

A nurse is in the clinic 9am-4pm daily - we offer all immunisations and other general practice services.

We are accepting registrations from anyone. We can see patients even if they aren't enrolled here.

We encourage whaanau to come and have a look or even meet our GP before making a decision to enrol with us.

Our contact details are: phone 09 2350077 or email: [admin@healththroughthemarae.co.nz](mailto:admin@healththroughthemarae.co.nz)



**FREE**

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY EVENT

NGĀ TAMARIKI O MATARIKI  
THE CHILDREN OF MATARIKI

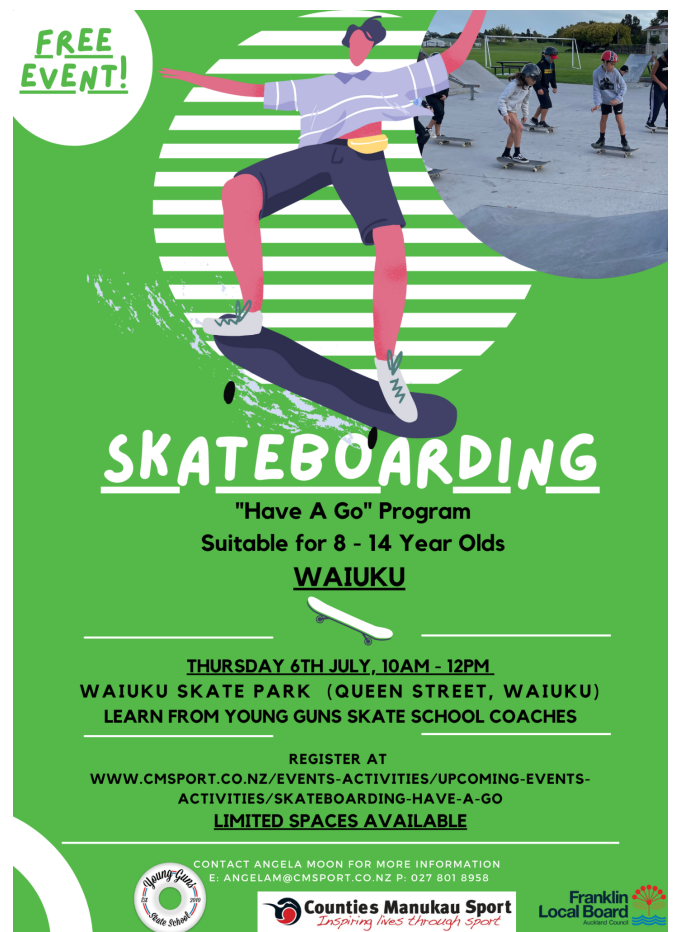
WEDNESDAY 5 JULY | 10AM-12 NOON

Awhitu District School Pavilion  
Matakawau Road  
Awhitu 2684

No booking necessary, for any enquiries email  
[franklinoutreache@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:franklinoutreache@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)

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**FREE EVENT!**

# SKATEBOARDING

"Have A Go" Program  
Suitable for 8 - 14 Year Olds  
**WAIUKU**

THURSDAY 6TH JULY, 10AM - 12PM  
WAIUKU SKATE PARK (QUEEN STREET, WAIUKU)  
LEARN FROM YOUNG GUNS SKATE SCHOOL COACHES

REGISTER AT  
[WWW.CMSPORT.CO.NZ/EVENTS-ACTIVITIES/UPCOMING-EVENTS-ACTIVITIES/SKATEBOARDING-HAVE-A-GO](http://WWW.CMSPORT.CO.NZ/EVENTS-ACTIVITIES/UPCOMING-EVENTS-ACTIVITIES/SKATEBOARDING-HAVE-A-GO)  
**LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE**

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