



School assemblies are held every second Friday at 1.50pm. The next assembly is on Friday 17th March.



Let's Celebrate

At our School Assembly on Friday, 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.

Principal's Award

Holly Clifford, Renee De Lacey and Charlotte Blake for showing initiative and maturity in carrying out their responsibilities.

Pride Awards

Te Whaanau Takahe: Finley and Fern
 Te Whaanau Mokomoko: Georgie and fern
 Te Whaanau Honu: Aesha and Jacob R
 Te Whaanau Kiwi: Vaneel and Layne
 Te Whaanau Toroa: Lainey and Mavrick

Class Awards

Te Whaanau Takahe: Sequoia and Krishan
 Te Whaanau Mokokoko: Kyah and Sam N
 Te Whaanau Honu: Stevie and Caio
 Te Whaanau Kiwi: Maggie and Koda
 Te Whaanau Toroa: Denis and Holly



Swimming Sports

On a beautiful summer day last Thursday, we held our annual School Swimming Sports. It was a great day to celebrate the swimming skills of all our students. Thank you to Whaea Kirstie and Whaea Deb for organising the senior swimming competition and Mrs Andrews for the junior school swimming sports. A huge thank you to all the parents who came and supported their children and to those parents who

helped to run the events as well.

The results of the Senior School Competitions were:

- BillyM-7yr Girls Freestyle 1st place
- AeshaB-7yr Girls Freestyle 2nd Place
- CarterC-7yr Boys Freestyle 1st place
- JacobR-7yr Boys Freestyle 2nd place
- LillyP-8yr Girls Breaststroke 1st place, Backstroke 1st place, Freestyle 2nd place
- Juno H-8yr Girls Freestyle 1st place
- WyattP-8yr Boys Freestyle 2nd place
- EzraM-8yr Boys Freestyle 3rd place
- ColeB-8yr Boys Breaststroke 1st place, Freestyle 1st place, Backstroke 2nd place
- TynellH-8yr Boys Backstroke 1st place, Breaststroke 2nd place
- FernO-9yr Girls Backstroke 1st place, Freestyle 1st Place, Breaststroke 3rd place
- IslaM-9yr Girls Breaststroke 1st place, Backstroke 3rd place, Freestyle 3rd place
- AvaT-9yr Girls Breaststroke 2nd place, Backstroke 2nd place, Freestyle 2nd place
- Aiden M-9yr Boys Backstroke 1st place, freestyle 2nd place
- TommyM-9yr Boys Breaststroke 1st place, freestyle 3rd place
- AndreTO-9yr Boys Breaststroke 2nd place, Backstroke 2nd place
- KeenanB-9yr Boys Freestyle 1st place, Backstroke 3rd place
- KrishanB-9yr Boys Breaststroke 3rd place

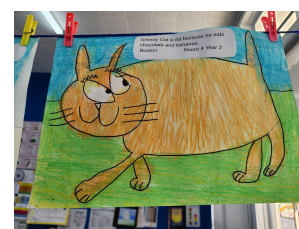
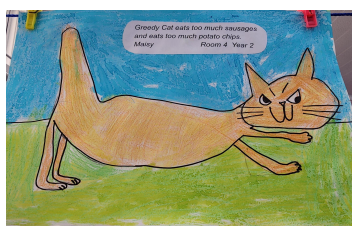
BonnieD-10yr Girls Breaststroke 2nd place, Backstroke 2nd place, Freestyle 3rd place
 GeorgieP-10yr Girls Backstroke 1st place, Freestyle 1st place, Breaststroke 3rd place
 KyahT-10yr Girls Breaststroke 1st place, Freestyle 2nd place, Backstroke 3rd place
 SamN-10yr Boys Breaststroke 1st place, Freestyle 3rd place
 SeanB-10yr Boys Backstroke 1st place, Freestyle 2nd place, Breaststroke 2nd place (equal)
 WalterH-10yr Boys Backstroke 2nd place, Breaststroke 2nd place (equal)
 NinaP-Year7 Girls Backstroke 1st place, Freestyle 2nd place, Breaststroke 2nd place
 LaineyVG-Year7 Girls Breaststroke 1st place, Freestyle 1st place, Backstroke 2nd place
 DanielM-Year7 Boys Freestyle 1st place, Backstroke 1st place, Breaststroke 1st place
 LincolnD-Year7 Boys Backstroke 2nd place, Breaststroke 2nd place, Freestyle 3rd place
 SamB-Year7 Boys Freestyle 2nd place, Breaststroke 3rd place, Backstroke 3rd place
 ReneeDL-Year8 Girls Backstroke 1st place, Freestyle 1st place, Breaststroke 1st place
 HollyC-Year8 Girls Backstroke 2nd place, Freestyle 2nd place, Breaststroke 2nd place
 CharlotteB-Year8 Girls Backstroke 3rd place, Freestyle 3rd place
 AnnabelleA-Year8 Girls Backstroke 3rd place
 AidanB-Year8 Boys Backstroke 1st place, Freestyle 1st place, Breaststroke 2nd place
 MavrickD-Year8 Boys Breaststroke 1st place, Backstroke 2nd place, Freestyle 3rd place
 MasonT-Year8 Boys Freestyle 2nd place, Breaststroke 3rd place
 Levi F-Year8 Boys Breaststroke 3rd place

A group of 21 students will go to the Whiteside Pool to represent Awhitu School in the Waiuku Schools Group Day competition this Thursday. Thank you to the parents assisting with this.

3-Way Goal Setting Conferences

Next week, 3-Way Goal Setting Conferences will be held on Wednesday 15th March from 3pm until 7.30pm in the pavilion. These conferences provide a chance for you and your child to meet with your child's teacher to discuss the learning and social goals that have been decided on. Please book your preferred time-slot on the 'Skool Loop Interview'.

Some awesome artworks by Kiwi (Rm 4) based on the Greedy Cat stories



Reminders

- Please make sure that your child/ren keep any **necklaces, rings, other jewelry items** at home. These items can become a safety issue at school when children are playing. Children will be asked to remove them if worn at school. If items are a special taonga, please write a letter to your child's teacher explaining this in order to gain an exemption.
- As the Ministry of Education is collecting data on school absences, please advise the office by phone, txt or use the free school app if your child is going to be absent from school. If we aren't notified of an absence, the student will be marked as being truant.
- If there is a change to the usual way your child goes home in the afternoon, please contact the school office before 2pm, so this can be actioned. If the school is not informed, the student will be sent home as per usual.

Dates To Remember		
	Friday: 24/2/23, 10/3/23, 24/3/23	Yr 7/8 Technology at View Road School
Week 5	Thursday 9th March	Waiuku Group Day Swimming Sports
Week 6	Wednesday 15th March	3-Way Goal Setting Conferences
Week 9	Thursday 6th April	End of Term 1
Week 9	Saturday 8th April	Easter Auction
Week 1 (Term 2)	Monday 24th April	Combined Teacher Only Day for all Waiuku Schools
Week 1 (Term 2)	Tuesday 25th April	ANZAC Day (School Closed)
Week 1 (Term 2)	Wednesday 26th April	First day for students at school for Term 2

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Possible Strike Action by Primary School Principals and Teachers.

Primary School Teachers and Principals may be taking industrial action due to the rejection of the latest Ministry of Education's employment offer. They are currently voting on whether to take STRIKE ACTION on Thursday 16th March. As soon as the result of the ballot is known, you will be informed of the result and what that will mean regarding school attendance on that day.

Nga mihi nui

The Team at Awhitu District School