



AWHITU
DISTRICT SCHOOL



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Week 8 Tuesday 21st March 2023

School Phones: 092351005 or txt: 0275247338

A big welcome to Deeaz and her family to Awhitu District School. Deeaz has joined Te Whaanau Mokomoko (Rm 2). We hope you will enjoy your time here.

Thank you to the parents who came to the 3 Way Conferences last Wednesday. These conferences provide a chance for you and your child to meet with your child's teacher and discuss the learning and social goals that were decided on.

Swimming



Congratulations to Nina (Toroa, Rm 6) who represented Awhitu District School at the recent Yr 7/8 Franklin Zone Swimming Competition. We are incredibly proud of your performance. Well done!! This Thursday, we wish Keenan, Tommy (Takahe, Rm 1) and Billie (Honu, Rm 3) the best of luck as they compete in the Yr 6 and Below Franklin Zone Swimming Competitions.

Easter Auction

This is fast approaching! Only three weeks to go! Thank you to all the parents and friends of our school who have offered their help on the Friday and the Saturday of the auction. However, we so desperately need some more helpers, so if you can donate some of your time to helping out, please contact Kiri Torpey on 0272510004.

We still need more items for the raffles as well. Please keep those goods coming in. Thank you to all the families that have already donated some items. We can't do this without your wonderful support. Let's make this the best Easter Auction ever!

Reminders

- Please make sure that your child/ren keep any **necklaces, rings, other jewelry items and false nails** 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 genuine taonga, please write a letter to your child's teacher explaining this in order to gain an exemption.
- Please inform the school of any changes to your own contact details including email address, home address and your emergency contact numbers. Also, please inform Nona King of any changes or updates to medical or allergic conditions of your child/ren.
- If your child is going to be absent from school, please contact the school office by phone, txt or use the free school app. If we aren't notified of an absence, the student is marked as being truant by the Ministry of Education.



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 normal.

Dates to Remember		
Week 7	Friday: 24/3/23	Yr 7/8 Technology at View Road School
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

Nga mihi nui

The Team at Awhitu District School



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Easter Auction 2023

Dates: Fri 7th and Sat 8th April
 8am start Friday
 Saturday 8am Registrations/viewing
 8.45am Shops open
 9am Auction starts

Our biggest fundraising event is coming up fast and we still need a little more help from our Awhitu School families. We have most of it covered but if you can spare some time over the Easter weekend that would be very much appreciated. We can not do it without you.

BELOW IS A RUNDOWN OF THE WEEKEND AND THE AREAS WE NEED SOME HELP WITH.

Thursday 6th April – Last day of school. Setting up of large tents and marquees after school. We need as many people as possible to do this quickly. Bring some tools.

Friday 7th April – Collection and Sorting Day. All second-hand goods/donations will be picked up and dropped off to the school. We need:

- Plenty of sorters to set up auction lots, put together the Boxed Goods and send goods out to their areas eg. Toys, clothing, bric a brac, furniture etc.
- Someone to help display the Art for the Art Auction in the Pavilion.
- Day security. People to ensure things don't get stolen. (This does happen, unfortunately)
- Someone to help set up the Bric a Brac room.

Saturday 8th April – AUCTION DAY! We need:

- People to run the Boxed Goods area. Sell the boxes and ensuring that buyers take all they have purchased.
- A person to help with the Field Auction. Recording what has sold to whom and running the auction sheets to the office.

- Three people to help with the Art Auction. Recording, holding Art as it is being auctioned & ensuring people have paid before they take their art.
- Someone to help run the Bric a Brac room.

***** We provide food for helpers on both days *****

PLEASE HELP WITH PACK UP AT THE END OF THE AUCTION. THIS IS USUALLY ONCE THE ART AUCTION HAS FINISHED.

ONCE WE'VE PACKED UP, WE HAVE A CELEBRATORY DRINK WITH HOT CHIPS AND AN ESTIMATION OF OUR MONEY RAISED FROM OUR TREASURY LADIES.

A few extra things to remember:

- Please drop in some raffle items to the school office and baking to sell in the café.
- If you need to book a collection, please phone Kiri on 027 251 0004 or Kerry on 021 955 074.
- Follow us on FB, like and share our posts.
- Tell your friends and family to come and join us on this awesome day.

And of course, please txt or call Kiri on 027 251 0004 to say when you can help and what area you'd like to help with.

Thanks.

Kiri and the Easter Auction Crew

We're on the lookout for donations of...

Old wooden bowls/wooden utensils
Galvanised tubs
Mortar & pestle
Muffin trays
Perspex sheet
Dried flowers
Bunting
Pouring jugs
Feathers
Pinecones
Crafting wire
Bubble machines



...for our fun area 'Forest Fest' at the Easter Auction. If you have some things from this list that you can donate, please let Jasmine know on ph. 021 469 449. Thank you.