



Week 9 Monday 11th September 2023

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Kia Ora Everyone

Only 2 weeks to go to the end of Term 3! Let's hope for some fine weather for the school holidays!

A very warm welcome to Awhitu District School and to the Awhitu Peninsula for our new students, Majesty ((Yr 5) and Journey (Yr 2), and their whaanau. We hope you enjoy your time here with us!

The Waiuku Library is running another School Holiday programme these holidays. This will be on Tuesday 3rd of October from 10am to 12pm. See the flyer below for more information.

The school field is still a bit muddy. Please pop a change of clothes in your child's bag that they can change into in case they get muddy while playing. Thanks.

School assemblies are held every second Friday at 1.40pm. The next assembly is on Friday 22nd September hosted by Te Whaanau Toroa(Rm 6).



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: Krishan and Ava
Te Whaanau Mokomoko: Kyah and Walter
Te Whaanau Honu: Juniper and Marcus
Te Whaanau Kiwi: Vaneel and Nala
Te Whaanau Toroa: All of Toroa

Class Awards

Te Whaanau Takahe: Tommy
Te Whaanau Mokokoko: Eden and Zac
Te Whaanau Honu: Caio and Ashyr
Te Whaanau Kiwi: Arthur and Ayrton
Te Whaanau Toroa: Denis and Mavrick

The Yr 7 & 8's continue their "Passion Projects" each Thursday for the remainder of this term. Last week they organised an awesome "Disney Disco" and this was a great success. It is fantastic to see our senior students stepping up in their leadership. This Thursday a "Friendship Zone" will be run at lunchtime for the students in the Matakawau Hall. There is no charge for this activity. Next week they have a school Netball Tournament planned!

Reminders...

- ***If you still would like you and your chil/ren to participate in the planting day at Chris and Greta's place, you must send back the permission slip or phone the school tomorrow. You will need to be able to be a parent helper for the planting and provide transport to and from the planting site.***
- ***Please keep sending in those grocery items for the Calf Club raffles and fill in and return your child's calf club entry forms as soon as possible before term 3 ends on 22 September 2023.***

- **Although Awhitu District School does not have a uniform, a suitable standard of dress is expected. Please make sure your child/ren wear appropriate clothing that is suitable for the classroom and the playground. This also includes keeping any necklaces, rings, and other jewellery items at home. These items can become a safety issue at school when children are playing. Make-up is also inappropriate to wear to school.**
- **Often there are outbreaks of head lice at school. If your child has long hair please ensure it is tied up to prevent the transfer of these lice.**
- **Please notify the office each time your child/ren are absent from school.**
- **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.**

Remember to collect the “YUMMY” stickers and tokens that are on apples and send them into school please. The more we have, the more money we get to purchase PE sports gear for our students.

PTA Update

Last year the PTA was disbanded as a formal entity as there were not enough volunteers to commit to continuing it. All the appropriate procedures have been followed and are now complete. This means that the existing PTA funds have been transferred and held by the school. These funds are in a **separate account and the school and school board do not have control** over how the money will be allocated to projects.

There will be an “ Awhitu Supporters” group (sub-committee of the school) which anyone can be part of. This group can meet to discuss how the money can be allocated to the school and to the students as needed. Just the same as what happened before.

Traditionally, the PTA have provided funds to support the cost of buses to the School Cross Country and a Beach Buddy trip. They have made a contribution to the senior camp and junior trips, and pledged money for art, PE and extra curriculum resources. The PTA have also put an amount aside each year to be used for a future “PTA Special Project”. Some funds are always set aside to run the Easter Auction and Calf Club events.

<i>Term 3 Dates To Remember</i>		
Remember the school bell rings at 8.20am each morning and at 2.25pm each afternoon.		
Week 9	Friday 15th September	Planting Day (Greta & Chris)
Week 10	Friday 22nd September	Last day of school and last assembly for the term at 1.40pm
Yr 7/8 Technology dates : Friday 15/9/23		

Term 4 starts on Monday 9th October, and Calf Club is on Saturday 14th October.

Nga mihi nui

The Team at Awhitu District School



Treasure Hunters



Awhitu School Holiday Event

Tuesday 3 October 10am-12noon



Awhitu School Pavilion
Matakawau Rd
Awhitu 2684

