



Week 9 Monday 4th December 2023

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Kia ora to all our whaanau and families.



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 R1: Landon and Ava
Te Whaanau Mokomoko R2: Zach and Walter
Te Whaanau Honu R3 : Carter and Henry
Te Whaanau Kiwi R4: Andre and Maggie
Te Whaanau Toroa R6: Lainey and Daniel

Class Awards

Te Whaanau Takahe R1: Lilly and Majesty
Te Whaanau Mokokoko R2: Kyah and Eden
Te Whaanau Honu R3 : Cairo and Jacob
Te Whaanau Kiwi R4: Cooper and Robbie
Te Whaanau Toroa R6: Jasper and Sienna

Principal's Award

Olivia (Te Whaanau Kiwi) and **Pascal** (Te Whaanau Honu)

That was our last whole school assembly for 2023.

Our School Prize Giving assembly is on Wednesday 13th December at 6pm at the Matakawau Hall.

Yr 5 - 8 Camp This Wednesday the 6th December, the Yr 5 - 8 students are on their way to enjoy a fun filled adventure at Camp Y Adair in the Hunua Ranges. We hope they have an awesome time and create some lasting memories! Please be at school by 8am in the morning of the 6th. Please contact your child's teacher if you need support with any camp requirements.

Junior EOTC activities While the senior students are away on camp, the junior students will be having fun participating in a range of EOTC activities of their own!

Powhiri Over the last 2 terms, some of our students have been involved in learning about, and taken on leadership roles to bring a Powhiri to all our school whaanau, parents, caregivers and community supporters of Awhitu District School. Please come along to this Powhiri and celebration at the school pavilion on Wednesday 13th December at 12pm and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and some kai! Thank you to Wynn Goodwin and Matua T for this.

Jacqui's Swimming lessons Jacqui Waldegrave is going to be doing a week of swimming lessons in the school holidays. This will be from the 15th to the 19th of January 2024. Please contact Jacqui on 02102379566.

The last day of school for this year is Friday the 15th December. School finishes at 12.30pm. School buses will run as normal in the morning, and will be here at school at the earlier time of 12.30pm to take students home. There will be no school lunches on this day.



It's that time of year to start to look for any school library books and school reading books that have been hiding away at home. Please return them to school before the end of term.

The school earned \$ 338.00 to spend on sports equipment from the proceeds of this year's YUMMY Sticker promotion. Thank you to all our families who sent your yummy stickers and labels to school. Keep on collecting them for next year, we have the Apple sticker and label sheets kept at the school office. Just let Nona know or pick one up when next in school. 1 Yummy sticker = 1 point, 1 Yummy Cut-Out Label = 10 points, so save them up and bring them to school.



The bell rings at 8.20am on Wednesday the 7th February 2024 for the beginning of term 1.

Term 4 Dates To Remember		
Week 9	Monday 4th December	Optional Christmas Story at 1.30pm
Week 9	Monday 4th December	Board meeting @ 5.30pm (staffroom)
Week 9	Wed 6th - Fri 8th December	Yr 5 - 8 to Camp Adair
Week 10	Monday 11th December	Music concert by the students who learn guitar at school with Sue Coulston. This starts at 11.45am in the pavilion.
Week 10	Tuesday 12th December	Yr 8 Social Dance at Waiuku College
Week 10	Wednesday 13th December	Powhiri at 12pm in the pavilion
Week 10	Wednesday 13th December	School Prize Giving at 5.30pm School reports home.
Week 10	Friday 15th December	End of Term 4 at 12.30pm. There will be no school lunches for this Friday.
School begins on Wednesday the 7th February 2024 at 8.20am.		

Nga mihi nui

The Team at Awhitu District School

Our wonderful Debra Torpey has now gained Full Teacher Registration. This momentous occasion was celebrated at 'The Shires Restaurant' on Tuesday 21st November. The NZEI Waiuku Branch organised the Celebration Evening where Deb was recognised for successfully completing her two years as a Provisionally Registered Teacher alongside two other teachers in the Waiuku area. We are so proud of you Deb and we thank your family, our staff and the wider community for supporting you throughout your teacher training.



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AUCKLAND COUNCIL LIBRARIES PRESENTS
RAUMATI READS
Kiwiana
SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

FREE

Collect stickers and badges while stocks last

Monday 11 December 2023 - Sunday 21 January 2024

Activities and Events at Franklin Community Hub

Keep your kids reading, go in the draw to win prizes, come to the library for some fun events for 5-12 years.

Find out more at aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/schoolholidays



Wednesday 27th December 10:30 - 11:30am
Summer Storytime at Waiuku Library
Bring your soft toy to the library for a special Kiwiana storytime.

Thursday 28th December 10:30am - 11:30am
Summer Storytime at Pukekohe Library
Bring your soft toy to the library for a special Kiwiana storytime.

Monday 8th January 10:30am - 11:30am
Gumboot Throwing at Waiuku Library
Bring your gumboots down to the library to see who can throw them the furthest. Gumboot decorating craft after the throwing competition.

Thursday 11th January 10:30am - 11:30am
Gumboot Throwing at Pukekohe Library
Bring your gumboots down to the library to see who can throw them the furthest. Gumboot decorating craft after the throwing competition.

Wednesday 17th January 3:30pm - 4:30pm
Kiwi Trivia Quiz at Pukekohe Library
A family quiz afternoon with Kiwiana themed questions.

Waiuku Library
10 King Street, Waiuku

Pukekohe Library
Franklin: The Centre, 12 Massey Avenue, Pukekohe

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AUCKLAND COUNCIL LIBRARIES



WAIUKU ROTARY CLUB

The Rotary Club of Waiuku is currently collecting books for our Book Fair to be held in 2024.

We are calling for Fiction, Non- Fiction (Paperbacks) also Childrens books, Jigsaws, DVD's and LPs.

These can be dropped of at either Farm Source in Waiuku or at Cocky's Corner.

For more information please contact us via email: waiuku.rotary@gmail.com

or message us on Facebook.