



WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

We certainly had a busy Queen's Birthday weekend where we celebrated the school's 50th birthday. Thanks to those who attended. It was great to see the re-igniting of friendships, the reminiscing, the humour and the camaraderie. We need to express a special thank you to Pam Beaman who pulled the whole event together and spent many hours before, during and after ensuring that the weekend was successful. Thanks Pam and your helpers.

Billets for Gisborne Intermediate – At the moment we are short of billets and might have to cancel this Exchange. This event is one of the highlights of our school year and has been going for 25 years. If you can host a billet we would be very grateful (the night of Tuesday 26th June.) Please contact Mrs Volmuller or the school office if you can assist.

N.Z.E.I. (Teachers' Union) Stop Work Meeting

On Wednesday 27th June the N.Z.E.I. will be holding a paid stop work meeting at 2.00pm. Children can either go home at 1.15pm or stay at school until 3.00pm. Please advise the office or classroom teacher if you want your child to leave at 1.15pm. Buses will run at the normal time of 3.00pm. We are conscious of a possible child supervision problem for parents.

Regards, Doug McLean (Principal.)



We had a very successful weekend with many ex students and staff getting together informally to share memories and their experiences while at Whakatane Intermediate. It was great to see first day pupils remembering good times and exploring what the school has to offer now. Some people travelled from Australia and the South Island to attend and were able to enjoy some time in Whakatane with friends and family. Thank you to all who registered and to those who worked to make it a very enjoyable weekend. Pam Beaman (Organiser.)

UPCOMING DATES - some dates may change

Friday 8th June - Mountainbiking Championships - Taupo

Friday 15th June - School Cross Country - 1.15pm

Tuesday 26th & Wednesday 27th June - Gisborne Exchange - billets needed please

Wednesday 27th June - Teacher's Stop Work Meeting - see details above

Parent/Teacher Interviews - Wednesday 4th July (school closes at 12.00noon) - see information below

Parent/Teacher Interviews - Thursday 5th July - normal school day - see information below

School Science Fair - Monday 2nd - Friday 6th July

School Production - Monday 30th, Tuesday 31st July,

Wednesday 1st August and Thursday 2nd August

Thursday 16th August - Thursday 23rd August - Samoa Trip

5th-7th September - Rooms 20 & 21 Camp - Totara Springs

NZAAMS - Sunday 9th - Friday 14th September

SCHOOL INTERVIEWS – Our mid-year interviews will be held on **Wednesday afternoon (4th July) from 1.00pm to 7.00pm**, and on **Thursday afternoon (5th July) from 3.15pm to 6.00pm**. We invite and encourage all parents/caregivers to take this opportunity to discuss their child's progress in these 15 minute interviews. There will be a chance to reflect on the goals set in Term One. **School will close at 12.00noon on 4th July**. Buses will run at the normal time of 3.00pm and bus students will be supervised until then.
BOOKING TIMES/ DETAILS WILL BE ADVISED SHORTLY.

SQUASH NEWS - Our Squash Champs team had an absolutely fabulous day in Tauranga last Friday. There were some fantastic games against some very tough competition. A big thankyou to the students for their excellent behaviour and superb sportsmanship. Also a special thank you to the parents for their wonderful support on the day. It was such an awesome event which the students thoroughly enjoyed. Kelly Warneford (Manager.)



ORGANISATION WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY FRIDAY 15TH JUNE START TIME: 1.15PM VENUE: NITA SHANNON NETBALL COURTS CUTLER CRESCENT, WHAKATANE

Students will walk in class groups to the Nita Shannon Netball Courts at 12.30pm. Racing starts at 1.15pm All students are expected to run unless they have a note from a caregiver. Non-runners may be asked to help with marshalling etc. on the day.

Timetable:

12.50pm	Warm-ups		
1.15pm	Year 7 Girls	1.30pm	Year 7 Boys
1.45pm	Year 8 Girls	2.00pm	Year 8 boys
2.30pm	Prizegiving		
2.45pm	School is released and bus children return to school with teachers		

Children will run in their PE uniform!! We recommend they come to school in their PE uniform UNDER their school uniform. Footwear is optional. Your child may wear shoes because there are prickles and gorse around the course. Be warned though that shoes will get wet. We encourage family and friends to come along and support our students on the day. ALL CLASSES ARE GOING FOR TRAINING RUNS EVERY DAY AND NEED TO BRING PE GEAR TO CHANGE INTO.
IF YOUR CHILD NEEDS THEIR ASTHMA INHALER, PLEASE MAKE SURE THEY BRING IT TO SCHOOL ON THE DAY.

Mission Statement

"A friendly, caring school with quality learning and quality behaviour that respects the needs of the individual student in the spirit of partnership between the school, caregivers and the community."

"He kura manaaki, he kura atawhai i nga tikanga rangatira, nga tikanga ahua noho o te tauria i roto i te wairua ngatahi kei waenganui i te kura, nga kaiitaki me te iwi kainga."

PARKING IN JAMES STREET – PLEASE NOTE - NO PARKING OR TURNING INTO THE BUS BAY FROM 3.00PM-3.30PM. THE BUSES ARE HAVING TROUBLE TURNING IN AND OUT OF THE BUS BAY AND A VEHICLE WAS HIT RECENTLY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THIS.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – Please have orders and money (with any cheques made payable to Scholastic NZ) to the Library by Friday 22nd June. You can also order and pay online with Book Club Loop – or visit mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz for details.

AIMS - Letters will be coming home over the next couple of days for those students who have been selected to represent the school in their code. The letter will include the cost, and this can be paid at the office. You are more than welcome to pay in instalments if that makes it easier, but these fees must be paid before attending. Please fill out the necessary forms and return them to either their coach or the office ASAP. If you have any queries regarding AIMS, please contact Mrs Raynes through the school office or email rania@wistecom.school.nz

ICAS EXAMS - It is not too late to enter your child for the English and Mathematics Exams. The entry form is at the foot of this newsletter. Check with your child's teacher if you have any queries

TERM DATES 2018	
TERM 2	Monday 30 th April – Friday 6 th July
TERM 3	Monday 23 rd July to Friday 28 th September
TERM 4	Monday 15 th October to Friday 14 th December
PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2018	
LABOUR DAY	Monday 22 nd October

DONATION OF FRUIT FOR SCHOOL LUNCHES – Thank you to the wonderful family members who have dropped off fruit for our students to enjoy. We really appreciate it.

WHAT HAPPENS ON A VERY WET SCHOOL DAY? A decision is made at morning tea if the day is wet as to whether or not school will close early at 2.30pm. A notice is placed on the school answerphone at 11.00am advising if it is an early finish. Notices are also placed on Radio 1XX and The Sun FM. Please note that not every wet day will be an early finish. **Buses run at the normal time of 3.00pm and bus students are supervised until then.**



ADVENTURE OUTDOORS- SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS
 These July school holidays we are running 2 awesome camps. Tramping, rock climbing, possum trapping, team building challenges, hot pools and much more
Adventure Outdoors Camp, Mt Pirongia
 July 9th -13th
Adventure Winter Camp, Aongatete Lodge
 July 16th - 20th
 8-14 year olds, OSCAR available, pick up/drop off Auckland, BOP, Waikato.
 Book at www.edventure.co.nz
 or email mark@edventure.co.nz

PLEASE NAME ALL UNIFORM AND FOOTWEAR CLEARLY

**FREE STREP THROAT TESTING
 FREE HEALTHY SKIN CHECKS
 EVERY TUESDAY AT WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
 Session times - 12.20pm - 1.10pm IN THE MEDIA SUITE
 Phone the office for more information
 or students can just go along each Tuesday**

BOOTCAMP -We currently have 27 students attending our Bootcamp here at Whakatane Intermediate. The students arrive at 6.30am every Tuesday and Thursday and participate in discipline drills, team building games and then have a hearty meal to ensure the start of their day is positive. We would like to thank **COUNTDOWN WHAKATANE** for donating the food for our students. We really do appreciate it. Tania Raynes (Bootcamp Organiser.)



MANAGEMENT TIPS FOR THE COMMON COLD
 There are no very effective treatments for the common cold but antibiotics certainly do not help and definitely cause harm. In short:
 1. Lower expectations - advise that any cough may last for up to 4 weeks.
 2. Taking regular paracetamol as needed may be helpful.
 3. Avoid over the counter cough medicines - (probably not effective).
 4. Vapour Rub on children's chests may help with cough for those aged 2 to 11.
 5. Decongestants such as oral pseudoephedrine (need a controlled drugs form in NZ) and nasal xylometazoline 0.1% are probably effective (neither are subsidized).
 6. Honey works for some coughs in children; 1 teaspoon for one to five-year-olds.
 7. Ipratropium nasal spray is effective for rhinitis.
 Public Health Nurse.

STUDENT SUCCESS
 Over Queen's Birthday weekend four of our students were busy in Rotorua competing in the 3D Multisport Festival.
Ollie Fredericksen (Rm15) competed with his dad Matt in the 30km Multisport Challenge. They won the event!! What an awesome achievement.



Caitlyn Esterhuizen (Rm5), Zoe Christie (Rm22) and Talia Good (Rm5) competed in the team event with Caitlyn kayaking, Zoe biking and Talia running. The girls ended up 2nd out of 5 female teams and were also awarded the gold medal for top under14 female team in the Secondary Schools National Multisport Championships.
 Well done to all four of you!

SCHOOL PRODUCTION – "SUPER STAN"
MONDAY 30TH AND TUESDAY 31ST JULY
WEDNESDAY 1ST AUGUST AND THURSDAY 2ND AUGUST
 We need people to help with sewing costumes or making or collecting props. We may need help with packing in sound and lighting if you have any experience with this.
 Thanks, Sue Harris.

ICAS ENTRY FORM 2018			
ICAS Subject	Fee	Entries Close	Exam Dates
Digital Technologies	\$9.50	CLOSED	8 th May
Science	\$9.50	CLOSED	29 th May
Writing	\$20.50	CLOSED	14 th June
Spelling	\$11.50	CLOSED	13 th June
English	\$9.50	22 nd June	31 st July
Mathematics	\$9.50	22 nd June	14 th August

Please cut out the ICAS Examination Form and return with payment to the school office
 Name of Student..... Room No. Yr My payment of \$ Is enclosed.....Signature of Parent/Caregiver