



WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 5TH SEPTEMBER 2018

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Property – The toilet block located by Syndicates D & E has been completed. Hopefully we can start using it in the next day or two.

N.Z.A.I.M.S. – Our athletes head off to the N.Z.A.I.M.S. Games next week. We wish them all the best. Thank you for all the support in getting them there.

Student Progress – We are adamant that your child has the best possible chance of being the best they can be in writing, reading and mathematics. If you have any thoughts, comments etc. on how we can do better for your child, I would love to hear from you. Please ring and make an appointment with Cheryl (my PA.) I enjoy getting to know parents. Regards, Doug McLean (Principal.)

YEAR 6 ENROLMENTS FOR 2019 – We look forward to meeting intending students and families at our Open Day and Parent Evening in Term 4 (dates to be advised.) Our 2019 Prospectus is being organised and will be distributed to all James Street School, Ohope Beach School, Apanui School and Allandale School Year 6 students when available. If you need any information regarding new enrolments, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Regards, Anne Volmuller (Deputy Principal.)

WHAKATANE HIGH SCHOOL and TRIDENT HIGH SCHOOL – VISITS FOR YEAR 8'S

Parents / Caregivers are most welcome to attend with their students

Trident High School - Open Day Monday 17 September

Two Whakatane Intermediate groups are scheduled for their visit:

- Syndicates A, B, and Rooms 5 and 6 will be picked up by bus from WIS at 8:55, to arrive at Trident for 9:10, they will depart Trident at 11:00.
- Syndicates D, E and Rooms 3 and 4 to be picked up from WIS at 10:15 to arrive at Trident for 10:30, they will depart Trident at 12:20.

Whakatane High School – Open Day Tuesday 18 September

Two Whakatane Intermediate groups are scheduled for their visit:

- Syndicates E, B and Rooms 1 and 2 will be picked up at 8.50 and returned to school at 10.30
- Syndicates C, D and Rooms 7 and 8 will be picked up at 10.45 and returned to school at 12.15.

If you have any questions please give me a ring at school.

Regards, Anne Volmuller (Deputy Principal.)

PLEASE NOTE: ENROLMENT PACKS FOR WHAKATANE HIGH SCHOOL AND TRIDENT HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE GIVEN TO ALL YEAR 8 STUDENTS TO TAKE HOME ON FRIDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER.

SUPER STAN DVDS - \$15.00 - Please pay at the office before the end of this Term. DVDS will be available to pick up early in Term 4.



SAMOA TRIP

Wow! What a fabulous trip we had. Our group of 47 people had the most amazing experiences, and hopefully gained a valuable insight into a Pacific nation's lifestyle, very different from our own in

New Zealand. All students joined in the activities with enthusiasm and embraced the different culture.

The parents that came with us I can't thank enough. Their support for all the students on the trip was incredible. They ensured that all the students had the trip of a lifetime. I really appreciated their valuable contribution in helping make such a success of the trip. Some of the highlights included:

- Visiting Robert Louis Stevenson's home – set up now as a museum
- Swimming and snorkelling in a fresh water pool by a cave, in the grounds of the Piula Theological College – a century old cathedral structure
- Spending up large at the local markets in Apia and on Savaii
- Spending a day on Upolo Island at Lalomanu Beach – white sands, snorkelling, swimming in warm tropical water
- Checking out the Alofaaga Blowholes – sea water exploding into the air
- Going by ferry to Savaii
- Sleeping in fales on the beach
- Making tapa cloth – from the bark of a tree to the finished product
- Visiting a school and seeing the students working, then chatting and making friends with the Samoan students
 - Snorkelling over giant clams and learning all about the Giant Clam Reserve
 - Snorkelling over a coral reef - even seeing turtles in the wild
 - Watching the Fia Fia Performance – cultural singing and dancing, ending with a fire show
 - Eating local produce
 - Stunning sunsets.

Also, reconnecting one of our students with her Samoan whanau in the village, next door to where we were staying.

Everyone learned so much about Samoa - hopefully some of the Year 7's might be keen to head to another tropical island next year! We will be taking a group to Vanuatu. As well as our amazing parents, aunt and koro, I would like to thank Mrs Rebecca Paterson for her invaluable support and help on the trip. It certainly made my job much easier.

Regards, Anne Volmuller (Deputy Principal.)

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT - Emilie Rosset from Room 5, recently sat her Grade 2 Performance Singing Exam, with the New Zealand Music Examinations Board, and passed with an "A Distinction". (Item submitted by Emilie's mother Ann Rosset.)

PLEASE NOTE - NZ UNIFORMS – STOCKISTS OF OUR UNIFORM WILL BE CLOSED FOR ONE DAY ONLY ON WEDNESDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER FOR STOCKTAKING.



TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION/TIMETABLES/RESULTS ETC. GO TO www.aimsgames.co.nz

IMPORTANT – AIMS GAMES - OUTSTANDING FEES

We are now in our final week before the International AIMS Games, which are being held in Tauranga from the 9th to 14th of September. **SOME FEES ARE OVERDUE AND NEED TO BE PAID IMMEDIATELY.** If you are unable to pay this amount PLEASE contact your child’s coach or myself immediately – either at school, via email or cellphone. Will Doney (Teacher in Charge of AIMS) 027 324 7307 or email william@wistecom.school.nz

<p>UPCOMING DATES: Note some dates may change</p> <p>5th-7th September – Rooms 20 & 21 Camp – Totara Springs</p> <p>Thursday 6th September – AIMS Team Evening</p> <p>Friday 14th September – Book Club orders close</p> <p>Sunday 9th – Friday 14th September – NZ AIMS</p> <p>Monday 17th September – YR8s visit Trident High School</p> <p>Tuesday 18th September – YR8s visit Whakatane High School</p> <p>Friday 28th September – Last Day Term 3</p> <p>Monday 15th October – First Day Term 4</p> <p>Thursday 18th October – Bay Maths Challenge</p> <p>Monday 22nd October – Labour Day – School Closed</p> <p>Monday 29th October – Friday 2nd November – Rooms 18 & 19 Camp – Auckland</p> <p>13th – 17th November Room 9 Camp - Okataina</p> <p>Wednesday 12th December – Tech Assembly</p> <p>Thursday 13th December – Final Assembly</p> <p>Friday 14th December Last Day Term 4</p> <p>WEDNESDAY 30TH JANUARY 2019 -FIRST DAY TERM 1</p>
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HEALTH PROGRAMME AT WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Each year at least 2 Health Units will be taught in each classroom. Weeks 9 and 10 of Term 3 are dedicated to the Health Unit “Pubertal Change” “Personal Health and Physical Development” Strand. This unit is about describing the characteristics of pubertal change and the discussion of how we deal with these changes. All teachers strictly follow guidelines from a booklet, on what the requirements are to teach in this unit. Key competencies associated with this unit are: “Thinking,” “Managing Self” and “Participating and Contributing.” We will send out a newsletter prior to the teaching of “Pubertal Change” to advise parents/caregivers of the content of this unit. If anyone has a concern you are most welcome to contact your child’s teacher or the school. The other 2 or more Health Units during the year are taken from the other 3 Strands in the Curriculum:

1. **“Movement Concepts and Motor Skills”**(P.E. lessons are planned from this Strand)
2. **“Relationships with other People”** This includes
 - * building effective relationships
 - * recognising identity sensitivity and respect
 - * demonstrating interpersonal skills.
3. **“Healthy Communities and Environments”** This includes:
 - * developing societal attitudes and values
 - * investigating community resources
 - * understanding rights, responsibilities and laws, people and the environment.

We welcome any feedback from our school community. Regards, Rosey Kara (Teacher in Charge of Health Programme.)



CONSERVATION WEEK 15-23 SEPTEMBER GO TO www.eventfinda.co.nz TO FIND OUT WHAT’S ON or to the Department of Conservation Website

OUR KITCHEN RULES HOLIDAY PROGRAMME
 2ND & 3RD OCTOBER
 KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 PH: 308 4268 OR EMAIL: MARIA@PRESSIESATWHAKATANE.CO.NZ TO BOOK

BOP/PB INTER-INTERMEDIATE 7’S RUGBY TOURNAMENT (boys and girls)

Friday 24th August 2018 - Arataki Park, Mt Maunganui
 Our boys played exceptionally well only losing to Te Puke in their Pool ending up in second place. We played the second placegetters in Pool A - Mount Maunganui - for the final placings of 3rd or 4th. We won convincingly 37 nil finishing 3rd overall out of 10 schools. I was really proud of the boys’ effort. They executed some brilliant skills on the field during the day. My players of the day were Maxwell, Baron, Jai, Mana and Ryan.

WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL/ TE PUKE SPORTS TOURNAMENT (PRE AIMS)

Friday 31st August 2018 - WIS, Whakatane

Te Puke arrived last week to play a number of sports with 7’s Rugby being one of them. Still unhappy about losing to them last week at the BOP/PB 7’s tournament at the Mount, our boys stepped up another notch by displaying some fantastic rugby on the field. The offence play was dominated by strong attacking-running, quick play around the rucks, great support play and precision kicking play in the gaps ending up with tries. The boys defended well too, shutting Te Puke down and stopping their flow of play. We won convincingly leaving Te Puke shell-shocked in the end. Nonetheless, irrespective of the score, the day was about both teams developing and getting field time before AIMS. Another great day for our 7’s Rugby team. My players of the day were Jack, Ryan, Jai, Taj and Maxwell. Regards, George Faga (Coach/Manager.)

YOUNG ACHIEVER AWARDS

It is the time of year when our local Council wants to celebrate the successes of our students. If your child has attained one or more of the following achievements they may qualify for a Young Achiever Award: **DETAILS NEED TO BE SUBMITTED TO MRS VOLMULLER BY WEDNESDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER. (Timeframe 1/10/17-1/9/18)**

- * Represented New Zealand in a sporting, cultural or academic event
- * Attained a national award
- * Third Place or better in an “A” grade national sports or cultural competition
- * Won an event while representing the BOP (or equivalent) in a major regional or North Island sports or cultural competition/event
- * Won an event while representing a school or club in a major regional or North Island sports or cultural event.

Please fill in the details on the form below, attach details on a separate page and send it back to school by 19th September if you think your child meets the criteria.

NAME

ROOM..... YEAR

SIGNED PARENT/CAREGIVER.....
ACHIEVEMENT – PLEASE ATTACH DETAILS TO THIS FORM AND RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.