



WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 1ST NOVEMBER 2018

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Cell Phones

I would like your support in helping us manage cellphones. We have had the occasional issue where cellphones have been used inappropriately during intervals and lunchtimes. We understand that many of our students have their own cellphone which they bring to school.

Students also understand that their cell phone must be handed in to their teacher at the beginning of the day to be locked securely in a cabinet. They will be given back to the student at the end of the day. During class time cell phones may be used to support the learning, at the discretion of the teacher. This is great.

If you wish to contact your child urgently, the office staff are very happy to get a message to your child. Any important messages regarding after school arrangements left on their phones will be received when the students get their phones back at 2.50pm. Should students need to contact parents/caregivers for any reason during the day, this can be done with the teacher's permission.

Young Achievers – The successes of 35 of our students were celebrated yesterday at the Young Achiever Awards 2018. I would like to thank the Whakatane District Council and Rotary for hosting this very important event. I was proud of these students.

Rolling Strike – At this stage teachers will be going on strike on the 13th of November. I hope that this doesn't happen and that the negotiators make some progress in obtaining a settlement.

Regards, Doug McLean (Principal.)

SCHOOL ATHLETICS SPORTS DAY ORGANISATION

Our School Athletic Sports Day is being held on **MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER**. We invite friends and family to come along and support the competitors. All students will be participating in events.

Elite events are being held at Rex Morpeth Park and those students involved have been advised of the arrangements for the day. These students need to bring morning tea, lunch and a water bottle. All other students will be competing on our school grounds.

Children can come to school in their school PE uniform on that day. NO MUFTI ALLOWED. Please ensure your child has sunblock and a sunhat. THE CANTEEN WILL BE OPERATING.

If your child is not able to participate because of health reasons, they need to bring a note from home and these students may be used as helpers on the day. Thank you for your support, Warren Mitchley (Sports Co-Ordinator.)

HEALTHY LUNCHES – We encourage all students to bring a healthy lunch to school and as part of this **WE DISCOURAGE FIZZY DRINKS AND ENERGY DRINKS IN SCHOOL.** Thank you for your help with this.

BREAKFAST CLUB – Did you know that your child is welcome to attend our daily Breakfast Club? Teacher Aide (Odessa) organises a free basic breakfast in Room 12 from 8.00am. Also, if anyone out there has spare fruit on their trees, we would love to receive it to add to the breakfasts. Thank you.



YOU ARE INVITED TO DOUG McLEAN'S FAREWELL

SATURDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2018

WE WELCOME PARENTS, PAST STUDENTS, TEACHERS

AND EDUCATIONALISTS TO CELEBRATE

DOUG'S CAREER IN EDUCATION

MEET AND GREET	6.00PM
DINNER	7.15PM
SPEECHES	8.15PM
COST	\$50.00 PER PERSON (DINNER AND DRINK)
VENUE	SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
RSVP	9TH NOVEMBER WITH NUMBERS ATTENDING TO admin@wistecom.school.nz

Please make payment to the school through internet banking to 123253 0016645 00 please use the following in the reference boxes: First Reference Box – first initial and surname Second Reference Box – "Doug's Dinner.

WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE - YEAR 6 ENROLMENTS FOR 2019

We look forward to meeting intending students and families at our Open Day and Parent Evening in Term 4 (details below.) Our 2019 Prospectus has been distributed to contributing schools. Families from outside of these schools can contact the office for a copy. Please contact the school if you need any further information.

ORIENTATION/OPEN DAY

WEDNESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER (9.30AM START)

Your child is invited to attend our orientation day. Students will be welcomed by the Principal and given a guided tour of our facilities. Parents and guardians are most welcome to attend.

YEAR 6 INFORMATION EVENING – 7.00PM

TUESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

You and your child are invited to attend an evening meeting in our auditorium, to meet and talk with our Principal, and members of staff. Mr McLean will address you on the philosophy of the school and the many facets of Intermediate and Middle School programmes. You will have an opportunity to ask questions concerning any worries you or your child may have at this stage. We hope to see you there.

BILINGUAL SYNDICATE OPEN DAYS -TUESDAY 13TH AND

WEDNESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

If you are interested in this option for your child, feel free to drop in to our school and see our programmes in action. Three time slots are available: 9.30am-10.30am 11.00am-12.00pm 1.30pm-2.30pm. Call in at our office for a guide/helper.

SYNDICATE A/BI-LINGUAL ENROLMENTS FOR 2019 – If you would like to come in to school to meet with Mr Tai Miskell (Syndicate A Leader) to discuss your child's enrolment for next year, he will be available to meet parents/whanau (with your child) between 3.15pm–6.00pm on Wednesday 7th November and Wednesday 14th November.

Or alternatively, any queries can be emailed to tai@wistecom.school.nz

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – Book Club catalogues have gone out to classes. Please have orders and money (with any cheques made payable to Scholastic NZ) to the Library by **FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER**. Many thanks for your support. You can also order and pay online with Book Club Loop – or visit mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz for details.

SCHOOL HATS

We have school caps and bucket hats for sale at the school office \$10.00 each. They are also available at NZ Uniforms on The Strand. With the warmer weather we encourage students to bring their hats to school please. **PLEASE NAME YOUR HAT.**

MUFTI DAY – THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING TODAY'S MUFTI DAY IN SUPPORT OF RONALD McDONALD HOUSE.

Ronald McDonald House provides accommodation and support for families of children who are hospitalised far away from home. We are delighted to support this cause.

WHAKATANE DISTRICT COUNCIL SAFE WAYS TO SCHOOL PROGRAMME

We want the whanau voice of our kura to help shape the SAFE WAYS TO SCHOOL that the Whakatane District Council is working on.

Have your say here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WhakataneTravel>

Next week is your last week to have your say to help create Safe Ways to School for our tamariki!

Complete the survey to support your child's class to go into the draw to win a pool party at the Whakatane Aquatic Centre on November 27th!

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TECH FEES – Technology fees are \$35.00 per child per term.

Terms 1, 2 & 3 are now overdue. If you wish to use internet banking, our bank account number is **123253 0016645 00**. Please ensure your child's name is entered in the reference along with what the payment is for i.e. camp, tech etc. Some AIMS fees are also outstanding and various class camp fees are due. Contact the office if you have any queries. Thank you.

ROOM 10 RAFFLE RESULTS CONGRATULATIONS TO ZAR AND RUTH WIPALU FLOYD OUR RAFFLE WINNERS!!

Thank you to everyone who purchased a raffle ticket for our fundraiser for our Blue Lakes camp this year from the Room 10 Students.

THROAT TESTING AND HEALTHY SKIN CHECKS

A SORE THROAT ISN'T COOL

GET IT CHECKED EVERY TIME

SORE THROATS CAN LEAD TO REHEUMATIC FEVER
AND HEART DAMAGE

FREE THROAT TESTING AT OUR SCHOOL EVERY THURSDAY
LUNCHTIME IN THE MEDIA SUITE

UPCOMING DATES : Note some dates may change

Thursday 1st November – Mufti Day

Monday 29th October – Friday 2nd November – Rooms 18 & 19 Camp – Auckland

Tuesday 30th October- Friday 2nd November – Room 10 Camp – Blue Lakes

Monday 5th November – School Athletic Sports Day

6th-9th November Rooms 5&6 Camp – Waitapu Forest

Tuesday 13th November – Possible Teachers' Strike – to be confirmed

14th-16th November – Room 17 Camp - Waimarino

13th-16th November Room 9 Camp – Okataina

Tuesday 13th November and Wednesday 14th November – Bilingual Syndicate Open Days

Tuesday 27th November – Year 6 Information Evening – 7.00pm School Auditorium

Wednesday 28th November – Year 6 Orientation Day

Wednesday 12th December – Tech Assembly

Thursday 13th December – Final Assembly

Friday 14th December Last Day Term 4

WEDNESDAY 30TH JANUARY 2019 -FIRST DAY TERM 1

TRIDENT HIGH SCHOOL 2019 ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are being taken for the 2019 school year.

Bookings can be made on line at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz the school event code is **d4cy8**, or by contacting the school office on 07 3088159.

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SPORTING SUCCESS

Congratulations to:

*Sophie Kirk, Keira Dooley,
Brya Fahey, Lucian Bain,
Jai Tamati,
Ollie Fredericksen,
Morgan Purcell and
Shane Takarangi*

for running a great race in Saturday's Prince and Princess of the Mountain 2018 Race in Kawerau. It's not an easy course to run and all competitors gave it their all. *Sophie Kirk ran exceptionally well and won the Princess of the Mountain 2018 title in a time of 24.25 minutes. She is pictured with her trophy.*



IMPORTANT. DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A WATCH THAT DOES NOT BELONG TO THEM?

A STUDENT IS MISSING A SPECIAL BLACK WATCH WITH RED HANDS. WE WOULD LIKE THIS RETURNED TO THE OFFICE. NO QUESTIONS ASKED - THANK YOU

SCHOOL TIMETABLE

School starts 8.50am sharp

Morning Tea 10.30am – 10.50am

Lunch 12.20pm – 1.10pm

School ends 3.00pm