



WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 28TH NOVEMBER 2018

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,
There aren't any staff changes for 2019 except for the Principal!! This situation is quite unusual but it is a very positive indication that robust learning will continue and hopefully be enhanced. Our data is indicating that a large cohort of our students have made accelerated progress in reading, writing and mathematics.

FINAL FORMAL ASSEMBLY - This assembly is being held at 12.15pm on Thursday 13th December in our Gymnasium and we look forward to hosting parents and caregivers at this prizegiving. It would be great to see you there and for you to join me for light refreshments afterwards in our Multicultural Room.

PLEASE NOTE: THE SCHOOL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 12.00PM ON THURSDAY 13TH DECEMBER TO ENABLE ALL STAFF TO ATTEND MR McLEAN'S FINAL ASSEMBLY. WE WILL REOPEN AT 8.00AM ON FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER.

FUTURE EVENTS - We have a large team of top athletes heading to Tauranga on Friday to compete at the Inter-Intermediate Super 11 Event. Good luck to all competitors. The Annual Police Dog Display and Assembly will be held on Thursday 6th December. Room 5 has been holding this event for a number of years to honour the top performing police dogs in the area. It is always great fun and you are welcome to come along and join in.

Regards, Doug McLean (Principal.)

UPCOMING DATES: Note some dates may change
Thursday 29th- Friday 30th November - Yr7 Bi-Lingual Unit Leadership Camp
Friday 30th November - Inter-Intermediate Athletic Sports - Tauranga
Friday 30th November - Children's Music School Performance - School Gymnasium - 7.30pm
Thursday 6th December - Rooms 3 & 7 Class Trip
Thursday 6th December - Police Dog display and assembly - see below
Wednesday 12th December - Tech Assembly - 11.00am
Thursday 13th December - Final Assembly 12.15pm
THURSDAY 13TH DECEMBER - SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSURES AT 12.00PM - REOPENS 8.00AM FRIDAY 14TH
Friday 14th December Last Day Term 4 12.00pm finish
Thursday 24th and Friday 25th January 2019 - School Office opens (9.00am-12.00pm only) for enrolments and sale of second hand uniform (cash only)
WEDNESDAY 30TH JANUARY 2019 - FIRST DAY TERM 1

TERM DATES 2019

Term 1 Wednesday 30th January to Friday 12th April
Term 2 Monday 29th April to Friday 5th July
Term 3 Monday 22nd July to Friday 27th September
Term 4 Monday 14th October to Wednesday 18th December

IMPORTANT - ALL YEAR 8 STUDENTS

YOU SHOULD BE ENROLLED AT THE HIGH SCHOOL OF YOUR CHOICE BY NOW. CONTACT THE HIGH SCHOOLS URGENTLY IF YOU STILL NEED TO ENROL.

WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE YEAR 6

ENROLMENTS FOR 2019

WE WELCOME NEW ENROLMENTS

CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR INFORMATION



START DATE 2019 - WEDNESDAY 30th JANUARY - All children should arrive by 8.30am and school will officially commence at 8.45am with a Powhiri for Year 7 students and new staff. Class lists will be read and pupils will meet their new teachers.

2019 SCHOOL OFFICE OPENING HOURS - The office will be open on Thursday 24th & Friday 25th January 2019 (9.00am-12.00pm only) for sale of second hand uniform (cash only) and late enrolments.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM - At the end of the year we ask families of Year 8 students to consider donating school uniforms to the school on the last day of Term 4. These are then sorted and sold to students at the beginning of the new year and the money raised is used to support needy students with costs for camps, trips, uniform etc.

Year 8 students are allowed to come in "mufti" that day if they donate uniform items. All others need to be in correct uniform.



POLICE DOG DISPLAY/AWARD - This display is being held on Thursday 6th December on our field at 1.30pm. An assembly will follow in the Auditorium. Room 5 presents this award every year for the most meritorious duty performed by a Police dog. Please come along and join us.

Regards, Sue Harris (Room 5 Teacher.)

SOFTBALL RESULTS - We enjoyed a great day of softball at Whakatane Intermediate School last Friday. We would like to thank Mr Warren Mitchley, Mr Kevin Carberry, Whaea Ngamihi and the many helpers for setting up a fantastic day. Thank you also to the wonderful umpires and coaches. Results are as follows: Girls' team 2nd (Gisborne won) and our Boys' team 3rd (Tauranga won.)

SCHOOL BANKING

The last day this year for school banking will be Wednesday 5th December

Student Success - Representative Squash

Congratulations to *Shae Watson* from Room 23, who has been selected to play for the up and coming Future B.O.P Development Squad for squash. Shae is the only member selected from Whakatane. Well done!

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 NAME YOUR HAT.



MATHS CHALLENGE

See if you can solve this puzzle. Answers (with workings) to Julie@wistecom.school.nz or come to the school office.

While Emily was walking to school she was passed by five buses. She noticed that the numbers on the buses followed an interesting mathematical sequence: 78 38 18 8
So what number was on the fifth bus?

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. Contact the office if you have any queries. Thank you.

THROAT TESTING AND HEALTHY SKIN CHECKS

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

A WORD FROM THE LIBRARY – Stocktaking time is upon us. Please return any library books to the library (no matter how long they have been there). No questions asked. **The library will be closed from Friday 30th November.** Thank you to all student librarians for helping make the library run smoothly this year. Sue Wadsworth (School Librarian).

**WHAKATANE CHILDREN'S MUSIC & DRAMA SCHOOL
END OF YEAR CONCERT
FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 7.30PM
WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE GYMNASIUM**



**KIP McGRATH
EDUCATION CENTRES - WHAKATANE
Stop Summer Fade
Get Ahead for 2019
Enrol now for our January
"Kick Start" Block Course
Enrolments also taken for term One 2019
Call today for a FREE assessment
Phone Diane Black 07 307 1995
(Information pack is held at Whakatane
Intermediate Office also)**

SCHOOL TIMETABLE

School starts 8.50am sharp
Morning Tea 10.30am – 10.50am
Lunch 12.20pm – 1.10pm
School ends 3.00pm

**DO YOU HAVE A SPORTS UNIFORM AT HOME?
THESE NEED TO BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL
OFFICE URGENTLY PLEASE.**

**PLEASE PHONE 07 3086480 TO REPORT AN ABSENCE. TEXT
ALERTS ARE SENT TO FAMILIES WHOSE CHILDREN ARE NOT
PRESENT AT ROLL CALL**

JUNIOR SQUASH is now running at the Whakatane Squash Club. New juniors are always welcome. Junior Coaching is provided on a Monday and Thursday and Match Play sessions are held on a Wednesday. For more information contact Jared Gravatt on 021 971 905 or jared@gravattsports.co.nz

If you shift house, change your phone number, email address or caregiver details, please send a note to the school office or phone us on 3086480. If you want someone other than a person listed on your enrolment to pick up your child, please let the office know as we need to be sure only authorised people collect our students.

WE HAVE 2 SUGGESTIONS FOR ORDERING STATIONERY FOR 2019 FOR YOU TO CONSIDER – see below
WE DO NOT SELL STATIONERY AT SCHOOL



2019 School Stationery Packs

We have teamed up with Bay Office Products Depot, to provide you and your child with Stationery Packs for 2019.

Go online to www.thebacktoschoolstore.co.nz

Search for your School's Name

Select the pack

Pay at checkout – credit card, PayPal or Part Pay

Fill in the address and contact details

Your child's pack will be couriered directly to your door

Pack names are: Whakatane Intermediate 2019 Starter Pack

Packs are also available from their Showroom:

26 Richardson Street Whakatane

Trading Hours: 8.30am & 5pm Monday to Friday

(Closed 21 Dec to 7 Jan) Phone 07 307 0742

For more information Email: Sue.N@bopdepot.co.nz

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Kids Surf Programme - The O'Neill Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the summer school holidays at Mount Maunganui.

Fun, Active & Healthy

7-15yr olds | Mon-Fri | \$150 week | \$35 per session

10am-12pm or 1pm-3pm | 17-21 Dec | 14-18 Jan | 21-25 Jan | 28 Jan-1 Feb 2019.

Suitable for beginner & intermediate surfers – developing beach safety, surfing skills and water confidence in a safe and fun environment **Limited spaces** | **Please email to book**

surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz www.oneillsurfacademy.co.nz

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.