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TE KARERE O TE KURA TUARUA O WHANGAROA

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Kia ora whānau

Our junior students are focusing on improving their reading and writing skills through assessments. Our teachers are committed to creating a positive learning environment and providing students with the support and resources they need to succeed. Teachers will persist in evaluating student progress and delivering continuous assistance throughout the year.

Kudos to our senior students for successfully finalising their option selections and demonstrating outstanding dedication to achieving NCEA credits. Their impressive commitment to attendance has significantly bolstered their learning journey, and we applaud their performance in Term 1. Well done, seniors!

Another notable opportunity for our senior students is the chance to participate in Gateway courses, where they dedicate one day a week to working at The Warehouse Waipapa, Woolworths Kerikeri and Hunting & Fishing Kerikeri, for 5-8 weeks. Upon completion, they will earn 23 Level 2 or 3 credits, depending on the store they work at. During this time, students will gain valuable experience, skills, and knowledge in the retail industry. There are placements available at these businesses for Term 2. Senior students who express interest will be interviewed and selected if they meet the school criteria.

I would like to thank all students and parents for their support and dedication in elevating the standards this term, particularly in self-management. This has been shown in consistently wearing the correct school uniform throughout the term.

I want to express my appreciation for our junior leaders who play a crucial role in the uniform exchange office each morning. They are responsible for ensuring students who require white polo shirts, school jackets, or school shoes can get them. Their attention to detail and diligence in tracking and monitoring all uniform exchanges is essential in upholding the high standards of our school.

Correct uniform is a tool for preparing our students for the real world, and we must continue to strive in this area. I extend my sincere thanks to Raina, Kahtanya, Laura, and Shakira for their exceptional service to our school.

I want to recognise the considerable improvements we've seen in Term 1 attendance brought about by the successful partnership between teachers and caregivers in fostering student accountability and tracking attendance. This approach has led to improved learning outcomes for our students. We will continue this process throughout the year. We kindly ask caregivers to notify the school when their child is unwell or has a valid reason for their absence. This will help us accurately track their attendance. Achieving our school-wide goal of 80% attendance is attainable with effective communication and collaboration from all stakeholders.

I am looking forward to the upcoming events in Term 2, where there will be more junior-senior learning opportunities, both academically and in sports.

If you have any questions or wish to speak to me or any of our teachers, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kia maia, kia manawanui whānau,

Matua Joe Tua

Director of Student Engagement



JUNIOR INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Whangaroa College hosted the Year 7 and 8 Junior Inter-Schools Athletics on Monday 8th April. Although the weather was not the best, the participants were eager to compete against each other and spirits were high.

A massive thank you to Te Rūnanga o Whangaroa, for their support over all our events. Not only did they bring special gifts for our tamariki, they also made sure they were hydrated and sheltered. We really appreciate their mahi!



RESULTS

- Year 7 Boys:** Busta Rudolph
- Year 7 Girls:** Akinihi Epiha
- Year 8 Boys:** Hawaiiiki Creeks
- Year 8 Girls:** Delta Thomas
1st Equal
Raina Hills
Shakira Batters
Rahera Petrie
- School Relay:** Matauri Bay



Congratulations



Ngā Papahū o Whangaroa

REHEARSAL PERFORMANCE



SENIOR SOCIALS *Kayaking Trip* LANES COVE



Whitebait Connection

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Te aki i te hunga tangata te tiaki inanga...

Whitebait Connection provides an inquiry and action-based environmental education programme for schools and communities focusing on the health of our streams, rivers and wetlands. The Year 7 and 8's walked across to Kaeo River to test our waterways for living species and river vegetation. We managed to scoop up various shrimp, whitebait, inanga and bully fish. Students learnt how to identify various species and luckily we caught a tuna in a hinaki that was put in the river the night before.



UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND SPIES

SOUTH PACIFIC INDIGENOUS
ENGINEERING STUDENTS

SPIES is a University of Auckland student association, aimed at supporting the growth of Māori and Pasifika engineering students, as they set out on their university journey. They visit schools to talk to students about potential careers in engineering and give them some practical tasks to complete.



Coding Robotic Spheres to move different angles.
Building experiments using string and iceblock sticks using a weight as a counterbalance.



WAI/FENCING

ENVIROSCHOOLS: WAI/RESTORATION

Several of our senior students attended the WaiFencing course which is a section of the EnviroSchools Wai Restoration project.

The students learnt how to build fences to exclude stock from waterways and other biodiversity-rich areas. They were also taught how to identify fencing tools and materials, how to practise fencing knots and ties, how to construct strainer assemblies, and how to build and repair a multiple wire fence line, and electric fencing.



FUTURE TRADES

NORTH TECH: WHANGAREI



GATEWAY

In Term 1 we had students who were given the opportunity to go out to do work experience in some of our local businesses through Service IQ. The students attended 1 day a week over 5 weeks in the workplace, where they will earn 23 credits towards their NCEA. This gives the students a taster of what it is like to become part of the workforce and contribute to our society and community.



WOOLWORTHS:
Atawhai Hansen & Dawn Epiha



THE WAREHOUSE:
Lukas Blyth & Kaya Pivac Kool



HUNTING & FISHING:
Kowhai Kahotea & Polly Stewart



Reminders

INTERIM REPORTS

The Interim reports have been mailed out to all whānau. If you do not receive your child's report by next week, please email sm@whc.school.nz

SENIOR ASSESSMENTS

All senior students will receive an assessment calendar that outlines subject due dates and progress tracking with their interim reports. This information is important for students to know what they need to hand in, and when.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

As the weather will be cooler from Term 2, students must ensure they are dressing for the conditions. We remind whānau that students need to wear the correct uniform. This includes school jackets or plain black sweatshirts which are available from the uniform room before school.

GRADUATE PROFILE SURVEY

A reminder to complete the Graduate Profile survey. The responses to this survey will guide the work we are doing in creating a profile for our students to aspire to as they leave us and enter the world of work. All ideas are greatly appreciated



BUSES



Students are only allowed to travel on their allocated buses. If you need your child/ren to go to another destination after school, you will need to contact the school and the Stewart Bus Company as there are limited spaces on some of the buses.



SCHOOL LUNCHES

Please contact the school of any changes in your child's dietary restrictions or needs. If you wish for your child to opt out of the School Lunch programme, this also needs to be communicated with the school.

Community Clinics Calendar

Online calendar of upcoming free community health clinics:

- B4 School Check
- Cervical Screening
- Immunisations
- Northland Youth Health Services
- Tamariki Ear Clinics

Visit: northlanddhb.org.nz



 **Dental Planet.**

THE MOBILE DENTAL VAN IS VISITING

WHANGAROA COLLEGE
29 APRIL - 3 MAY

FREE BASIC DENTAL CARE FOR
Y9-13 (UNDER AGE 18)

TO ENROL YOUR CHILD:

 0800 262 2022

 mobiles@dentalplanet.co.nz

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANZAC DAY

25th APRIL

Lest we forget

TERM 2

WEEK 1

29 APRIL - 03 MAY

Monday 29: TERM 2 BEGINS
Tuesday 30: Dental Planet - All week
Wednesday 01:
Thursday 02:
Friday 03:

WEEK 2

06 MAY - 10 MAY

Monday 06: DIVE COURSE: Day 1
Tuesday 07: DIVE COURSE: Day 2
Wednesday 08: DIVE COURSE: Day 3
Thursday 09:
Friday 10:



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APPS



COMING SOON