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TE KARERE O TE KURA TUARUA O WHANGAROA

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Kia ora whānau,

This year at Whangaroa College we are starting the process of creating a Graduate Profile. A Graduate Profile tells us what we would like our rangatahi to 'be' by the time they graduate from our school. It includes aspirations, attitudes, skills, knowledge and competencies that we would like to see in our graduating students.

Graduate profiles are one way a school can communicate a shared understanding of what a future-oriented learner looks like. Graduate profiles describe skills, knowledge, and attitudes that students will need to develop to participate in a range of life contexts beyond school.

This is big mahi as it involves obtaining input from whānau, teachers, students, hapū, Iwi and community members. All stakeholders will have the opportunity to collaborate and in doing so, create a profile, which will be unique to our school, our setting and our tamariki. A Google Form will be sent out to everyone with some leading questions that will prompt thinking around this topic. From there, the data will be collated and put together to create the profile. The profile will also include the support each stakeholder will need to provide in order for the students to become successful. It will include a set of progressions whereby students will be able to evaluate themselves against the criteria, as they move through the school.

Here at Whangaroa College, we understand the importance of growing student leaders. We are currently creating some leadership opportunities for our students in the areas of culture, technology, library and sports. Students will be able to apply for a role they are interested in. We hope to also get some training from outside organisations for these students in how to be an effective leader.

One of the changes we have made this year is in the way we communicate with parents and caregivers. Each group of students in each whānau has a designated cluster whānau teacher. This cluster teacher will be the first port of call for parents and caregivers to contact. The cluster whānau teachers are as follows:

Kauri: K. Allen (Y7-9), S. Tumoana (Y10-13)

Matai: L. Donaldson (Y7/8), N. Williams (Y9/10), A. O'Donnell (Y11-13)

Tawa: W. Sutherland (Y7/8), L. Barclay (Y9/10), R. Grey (Y11-13)

Miro: R. Cairns-Cowan (Y7/8), L. Samuels (Y7/8),
B. O'Donnell (Y11-13)

Nga mihi whānau, I would like to congratulate our students on the way they are wearing their school uniform. They are looking sharp, with a keen sense of belonging and pride in themselves. Many thanks for your efforts in supporting this important part of our kaupapa here at school.

As always, my email address is ws@whc.school.nz if you have any questions or queries. My door is always open if you would like to call in. It is always a pleasure to receive visitors.

Ngā mihi nui
Wendy Sutherland



WELCOME STUDENT TEACHER

Angeliki Gillett

Tēnā koutou katoa, ko Kiriki te ūkaipō, engari ko Ingarangi tōku kāinga rua. Ko Kerikeri te kāinga ināianei. Kei Kerikeri au e noho tahi ana ki taku hoa tāne, a John. He ākonga kaiako au i Te Whare Wananga o Waikato. Ko Angeliki Gillett au. Tēnā tātou katoa!

Kia ora, my name is Angeliki Gillett, a student teacher from the University of Waikato. It is a privilege for me to undertake my practicum at Whangaroa College, which has always captured my interest since I moved to Kerikeri from overseas (England and Greece). Therefore, being placed at your school holds special significance to me, and I aspire to make a meaningful contribution to both the school and the students during my placement until mid-June. I look forward to getting to know you all better.

Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou. Tēnā tātou katoa! Nei rā te mihi ki a koutou i tautoko mai, i āwhina mai nei i a au. Kua tuwhera ngā kūaha kia uru mai ahau. Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa!

Angeliki Gillett





Tēnā kotou katoa,

Whangaroa College is pleased to support a positive health initiative that provides an opportunity for all Year 9 students at Whangaroa College to receive a health and wellbeing assessment by the School Youth Nurse.

The aim of the assessment is to identify any health or well-being needs that students may have, so that we can support them and their families in accessing support services. This will help to ensure that students are in class ready and able to learn.

The Youth Nurse will meet with each student to discuss their health and well-being. The discussion with the Nurse will cover topics such as:

- Visits to health services such as the GP and dentist
- Factors relating to physical and mental health, home, school and friends
- Discussions around drug and alcohol use as well as sexual health
- Support services available in school
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If there are any concerns regarding their vision and hearing, we will do a referral for them to be assessed by a Vision and Hearing technician. If it requires assessment by an Ear Nurse, we will refer to the Ear Caravan or the Audiology department at the hospital.

Students are asked for their consent before an assessment is undertaken and have the right to decline. Parents can also withdraw their child from the programme by contacting the school and requesting that their child does not participate if they are under the age of 16.

If you wish to withdraw your child from this initiative, please contact the school or email the nurse by the **1st MARCH 2024**.

There is no pressure. Your child may still access any other service provided at the school including referrals to any health services.

The dental services number is 0800 MY TEETH (0800 6983384). You can self-refer.

This is a Ministry of Health-led initiative. For more information about the health assessment, please contact the Youth Nurse responsible for the health assessment programme.

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2024
ATHLETICS DAY
Friday March 1st

All are welcome to attend and support your whānau!



UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEK 5

26 FEBRUARY - 01 MARCH

- Monday 26:
- Tuesday 27: Gateway course
- Wednesday 28:
- Thursday 29:
- Friday 01: School Athletics Day

WEEK 6

04 MARCH - 08 MARCH

- Monday 04:
- Tuesday 05: Adventure short course
- Wednesday 06: Girls Cricket
- Thursday 07: Futsal: Y9/10
- Friday 08:

WEEK 7

11 MARCH - 15 MARCH

- Monday 11:
- Tuesday 12:
- Wednesday 13:
- Thursday 14:
- Friday 15:



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APPS



COMING SOON