



# AWHITU

## DISTRICT SCHOOL



Monday 27 May 2019 Week 5 Term 2

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**IMPORTANT MESSAGE:** The Strike by Primary School, Secondary School and Area School Teachers and Principals will be going ahead this Wednesday 29th May. The school will be closed for instruction and there will be no buses running. Please read the letter from the BOT over the page about the strike.

It was with sadness that we farewelled Whae Ariana on Friday. She contributed so much to our school and we will miss her valued input. We wish her every success in her next venture. Until her position is filled, Mrs Jenny Williams will be teaching in Room 1. Welcome back to Awhitu School Jenny.

Heat pumps are being installed in each classroom this week as part of the school upgrade. This will allow not only heat in the winter months, but teachers will be able to cool their classrooms in the summer months as well! The electrical distribution boards will also be upgraded to cater for the extra electrical demand placed on them from the heat pumps. Also the pool plant is being upgraded ready for the next swimming season.

Our Yr 3-8's participated in the Franklin Zone Football Competitions last week. They all performed really well with the Yr7-8 boys team winning their competition. Well done! Thank you to the parents who provided transport and supervised the teams. Your help is really appreciated.



### Let's Celebrate:

At our School Assembly on Friday, the following students were awarded certificates for a variety of achievements such as showing leadership, always making an outstanding effort, for hard work and demonstrating our PRIDE values.

**Principal's Award:** Daniel F Rm 2 and Isabella V Rm 3.

**Pride Awards:** Rm1: Susie W Rm 2: Chase H and Holly C Rm 3: Blake Dallas Rm 4: Kiera H and Jarrett H Rm 6: Emma C and Pipi W.

**Class Awards:** Rm 1: Kaziya S Rm 2: Indy-Rose S and Mason T, Rm 3: Hawaiki Goodwin, Rm 4: Lilli J and Eden T, Rm 6: Connor W and Reece T.

**Enviro Award:** Eva Johnston

**Tidy Kiwi Award:** Room 6

Well done to those students. Keep up the good work!



### **Reminders:**

- Strike Day on Wednesday 29th May. School is closed for instruction.
- Technology for the Yr 7/8's is this Friday 31st May. Remember that students need to wear shoes for technology.
- If your child is going to be absent from school please contact the school office by phone, txt or the school app. If we aren't notified of an absence, the student is marked as being truant by the Ministry of Education.



### **What's Coming Up...**

- Queen's Birthday holiday next Monday 3rd June.
- Rotary Speech Competitions Wednesday 3 July.
- Last day of Term 2 Friday 5 July.
- Term 3 starts Monday 22 July.

Have a great week and take care. Nga mihi nui from the team at Awhitu District School

**STRIKE ACTION WEDNESDAY 29th MAY 2019**

Dear Parents and Caregivers

The Board of Trustees cannot provide teaching for students during the upcoming strike. The NZEI has advised the Awhitu District School Board of Trustees that the principal and teachers at our school will be taking strike action on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

The Board has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff, and unfortunately decided that we can't provide the normal teaching services during the strike so the school will officially be closed for instruction on Wednesday 29th May. Accordingly it's important that you make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children during the period of the strike as no supervision can be provided.

School buses will not be running.

I know that this is inconvenient for parents and students alike, but please be assured that student safety is our main concern.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Yours sincerely

Sally Clegg

Chair Board of Trustees

Awhitu District school