



AWHITU

DISTRICT SCHOOL

Wednesday 16 October 2019 Week 1 Term 4

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Welcome Back to Term 3

I hope you all enjoyed a fantastic two weeks of school holidays. Thank you to all the families that came and supported the Calf Club/Agricultural Day on the first Saturday of the holidays. It was an awesome sunny day with a variety of lambs, goats, dogs, chickens, cats, fish and plants on show. The children's photography section was amazing and the cake auction was lots of fun with beautifully decorated cakes made by the students of Room 6. Congratulations to all the children who entered animals, photos and made cakes. A huge thank you to Charlotte Kelly, the PTA and all the helpers, volunteers and judges who made this day such a success. It is Charlotte's last year organising this event and Awhitu School is so very grateful for all her time and effort she has given to the school to make these opportunities happen for your children. Thank you so much Charlotte!



Over the holidays the builders worked hard to complete the refurbishment of Rooms 1, 2 and 3 ready for the classes to move back into this week. Now they are working on the refurbishment of Room 4 which should be completed by the end of next week. Also the toilets in the main block were refurbished and our fire alarm system was upgraded.

Although the weather has not been very summery so far this week, the children will be required to wear hats for this term. Hopefully next week we'll see much nicer weather!

This Thursday we are participating in the National Shake-Out Day. This happens each year to make everyone aware of what to do in the event of an earthquake or Tsunami. It involves not only schools, but all workplaces. It's a good time to discuss the emergency plans that you have with your family if such a disaster strikes.

Jacqui has started to coach the children ready for our Athletics Day on Tuesday 5th November. More information will be sent home closer to the day.

You will be receiving a newsletter today from your child's teacher outlining the learning programmes that will be happening in their class this term. Along with the core subjects, students will be learning about celebrations and how they are important for wellbeing and identity. It's going to be a busy term for the Year 8 students as they come to an end of their primary school days.

Calendar Art: Most of the students artwork that you may have seen displayed at our Agriculture Day will be the ART on student calendars, cards, diaries, mouse mats and sketch pads - turning your child's pictures into unique products! Order sheets to parents will be sent home today and the shut off date for orders is Wednesday 23rd October. Orders will be sent to 'KIDS ARTWORKS and hopefully back in Week 6 or 7 (at the end of November).

Library Bus: Mobile Library Bus will be here on Wednesday 30 October and Wednesday 27 November, Awhitu Community can visit the Mobile Library at 9.30-10am and 1.30-2pm.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: This weekend the grass is going to be sprayed for prickles, so please make sure you and your children do not play on the field or grass areas around school on Saturday and Sunday. Thank you.

What's Coming Up this Term

- Yr 8 Information Evening at Waiuku College: **Wednesday 16 October at 5.45pm**
- National "Shake-Out Day": **Thursday 17 October at 1.30pm**
- Yr 7/8 Technology dates for Term 4: **Friday 18 October, 1 November, 15 November, 29 November.**
- Labour Day Holiday: **Monday 28 October**
- BOT Meeting: **Tuesday 29 October at 5.30pm**
- Awhitu School Athletics Day: **Tuesday 5 November**
- Book Fair: **Monday 1th - Friday 15th November**
- Yr 8 Social: **Thursday 12 December**



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

WAIUKU GOLF & SQUASH CLUB - Squash Coaching Programmes 2019.

Women in Squash Intro Coaching - Thursdays 5.30pm-6.30pm or 6.45pm-7.45pm

Junior Beginner Coaching - Thursdays 3pm-4pm or 4.15pm-5.15pm

Register your interest today. Contact Juls voykovic 0210582999 email jvoykovic@gmail.com

Cost: \$30 per person per programme for 6 weeks - Programmes start 24 October.

www.waiukugolfandsquash.com Racecourse Road, Waiuku

'Young at Art children's Art classes commence second week of term 4. We also have a clay workshop over two Saturdays and pre Christmas workshops being released very soon. We have a couple of places remaining for information or bookings please check out: www.youngatart.co.nz, email: anna@youngatart.co.nz or phone: 0297 712 923

Nga mihi nui - From the team at Awhitu District School