



WHANGANUI INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

# Newsletter



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Tena Koutou / Greetings

## \* COMING EVENTS

Monday 20 February	Vision and Hearing Tester in school
Tuesday 21 February	Interhouse Swimming
Wednesday 22 February	Supersport Softball Tournament (Palmerston North)
Mon 27 Feb to Fri 10 March	Outdoor Education at Lake Wairua
Thursday 2 March	School Photos
Monday 13 and Wednesday 15 March	Parent/Teacher/Pupil Conferences. <b>School finishes at 12.30 pm</b>
Tuesday 14 March	Immunisations
Wednesday 15 March	Interschool Swimming - Splash Centre
Monday 20 March	Supersport Tennis (Whanganui)
Mon 3 and Tues 4 April	P.T.A. A.G.M. 7.15 in staffroom
Wednesday 5 April	Science Roadshow
Wednesday 12 April	Supersport Cricket
Thursday 13 April	Supersport Mountainbiking
Monday 1 May	End of Term 1. School finishes at 3.00 pm Term 2 begins

## \* PARENT/TEACHER/PUPIL CONFERENCES

On Monday 13 March and Wednesday 15 March we are holding the first of our Parent/Teacher/Pupil Conferences. Teachers have completed initial assessments and we look forward to discussing your child's achievement levels and setting learning goals for this year. We will be sending home a separate notice about the conferences.

**School will finish at 12.30 pm on both of these days** to allow enough time to fit everyone in.

## \* P.T.A. A.G.M.

There is a P.T.A. A.G.M. on Monday 20 March at 7.15 pm in the staffroom. All are welcome and we would appreciate your support. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and support our school.

## \* SCHOOL DONATIONS

School Donations are set annually by the Board of Trustees and for the past few years have remained at \$75.00 per pupil per year. Requests for payment will be mailed out soon and I wish to say a huge thank you to those who have paid already. Payment can be made either through the school office or by internet banking.

We do try to keep our fees as low as possible but we rely on your contributions to support the many programmes we provide for our pupils.

## \* MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

Thank you to all those who came to the Meet The Teacher Evening on Monday night. This was an opportunity to "touch base" with your child's classroom teacher. You are very welcome to make appointments to talk to the classroom teachers or communicate via email.

\* **OUTDOOR EDUCATION - LAKE WIRITOA**

Over the coming weeks all classes will be going out to Lake Wiritoa to participate in sailing, kayaking and co-operative/team building games. This helps contribute to establishing class unity and is a great day for all involved. There will be notices coming home regarding permissions and requests for parent helpers. Information about what to bring/wear on the day will also be sent home. We do appreciate the parents//helpers who give up their time to assist on these days.

\* **POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PB4L)**

PB4L is a framework that we are using to develop a social culture that supports learning and positive behaviour. PB4L School-Wide takes 3-5 years to put into place.

At Whanganui Intermediate School we value and demonstrate:

Manaakitanga  
Respect  
Responsibility  
Resilience  
Whanaungatanga

We don't just expect our students to demonstrate these values, we teach them.

This is a whole school initiative to address student's behaviour in a positive way so that they learn how to manage themselves in a socially acceptable manner.

Positive behaviour can be learned. A safe and caring environment that supports positive learning behaviour needs to be created and this is what we are all striving to achieve.

More information about PB4L can be found on our school website.

\* **NZ SCHOOLS TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIP IN WHANGANUI - ROAD CLOSURES**

We have been advised by Sport Whanganui that the 2017 NZ School Triathlon Championships are being held in Whanganui from Wednesday 29 March to Friday 31 March. There will be around 600 competitors in the events. To run the event safely there will be a full road closure and an extensive traffic management plan in place.

**On Thursday 30 March the Dublin Street Bridge will be closed from 7.00 am to 5.00 pm.** There will be no vehicle access and limited pedestrian access on the Dublin Street Bridge during those times.



Charles Oliver  
**PRINCIPAL**

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**I have received newsletter number 2**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Room No: \_\_\_\_\_