

Wednesday, 10 April 2013

Ko te Wenerei, 10 o Aperira 2013

Ngā mihi ki a koutou katoa



Thank you to Whaea Reid, who has travelled from Kihikihi over this term to be my principal release teacher in Room 1. I have truly appreciated her commitment to the children and their learning as well as her contribution and wisdom as a staff member.

We will be having a shared farewell 'picnic in the park' around lunch time for Whaea Reid with the whole school down at the park on Friday, weather permitting. Otherwise we will have it at school. Whānau and community are

welcome to come and join us.

My principal release starting next term will be Sue Dimond. We will be sharing each week together where Mrs Dimond will teach certain days and I will teach the other days.

ANZAC Day

During the holidays, we will be commemorating ANZAC Day. We invite the children of Kawhia School, past and present, to be at the parade and represent our school. They will need to look for Whaea Carey who will co-ordinate our representation as I will be away.

Volunteers

I wish to acknowledge the awesome work that volunteers from our school whānau and community do to show their love for our children. We have at least 10 volunteers that show up at our

school every week from Breakfast Club to reading, the arts and everything in-between. We are very grateful for the commitment you have to our children's education and well-being. Ka nui te mihi ki a koutou!

School Reports

These will be posted on the last day of school along with the appointment time given to you to meet with the class teachers next term. We are always impressed with the high turnout for these meetings and know they go a long way to supporting your child's progress.

As this is the last newsletter of the term, I wish you all a safe and enjoyable holiday with your precious taonga—your children.

Kia pai tō koutou hararei

Leanne Apiti

COMING EVENTS

Fri, 12 Apr	Whaea Reid's last day at school—picnic at the park (weather permitting)
Wed, 17 April	Manual—bus departs 8.30am sharp
Wed, 17 Apr	BOT Meeting—4.30pm in the staffroom
Thu, 18 Apr	Whānau Hui—Behaviour Management Planning
Fri, 19 Apr	Last day Term 1
Thu, 25 Apr	ANZAC Day
26-28 Apr	Regional Fire Fighters Camp in Kawhia
Mon, 6 May	Term 2 begins—
Term 2, Week 1	R2 Wananga at Waipapa Marae

Yr 8 Tray Bake Tomorrow

Year 8 Easter Raffle Results
—Two Draws
Congratulations to the following Winners:
#4 Jackie O'Carroll
#48 Grayaana Panirau-Phillips
Thank you to Kawhia Motors for your support

Swimming continues until the end of the term. Children are expected to bring their togs and swim unless they bring a note from home.

Behaviour Management Planning Hui— 18 April

The Board of Trustees, along with the teaching staff, is looking at developing a Behaviour Management Plan and we would like your input. There will be a whānau hui next Thursday, 18 April after school. Our adviser, Kevin O'Hara, will be running the hui. We look forward to seeing you there.

School Charter

The Board of Trustees has just received the following feedback of the Kāwhia School Charter from the Ministry of Education, which we are very pleased to share with you—*“We would like to thank your Board of Trustees for the work that has gone into developing your annual charter update. We have reviewed these documents and can confirm they meet the legislative requirements contained in section 61 of the Education Act 1989....*

We are pleased...to note that your charter outlines very clearly your goals and aspirations for your learners and is obviously the result of a strong partnership with your local community. Your targets are based on data and identify specific cohorts of learners whose achievement you wish to accelerate.”

The Charter is available to read from the school office and the staffroom.

COMEDY@ the OPARAU HALL

Ewen Gilmour

Friday, 12th April 8pm \$20

Fun 'Westie' Quiz. Best Dressed Westie. Supper plate would be appreciated—tickets available from the school office

Duffy Books in Homes



The children received their two new books from Diana Queenin, who fascinated the children with her knowledge and enthusiasm for dinosaurs and fossils.

Our awesome sponsors who are putting more books into your homes:

The Sproule Family, Greg and Karen Nicholls

and the

Kāwhia School Board of Trustees



OUTDOOR PURSUITS CENTRE

5 DAY - 'HOLIDAY ACTION CHALLENGE'

The Kawhia Art Group invite 14-18yr olds within Kawhia & Districts to apply to attend a 5 day Outdoor Pursuits "Holiday Action Challenge" at Tongariro on 30th September 2013 (school holidays).

Fees and travel for 2 young people will be funded by the Kawhia Art Group.

Activities include: kayaking, rock climbing, caving, abseiling, Canadian canoeing, mountain hiking, tramping, orienteering, camping & overnight expeditions, and challenges within the OPC high ropes course like the giant swing, flying fox and 30ft trapeze!

If interested, please phone or contact Heather Sherman on 078710 782 or 021 1717617 or email: heatlou@ihug.co.nz by 30th May 2013. Further information www.opc.org.nz