

Te Waka Unua School

Week 7, Term 4, 2018



Important Dates

Week 8

Dec 03 - Year 7-8 Korfbal Tournament

Dec 06 - Cansail

Dec 06 - Pō Fiafia

Dec 07 - Youthtown Tournament

Week 9

Dec 11 - Year 8 Graduation dinner

Dec 12 - Reports go home

Dec 12 - BoT meeting

Dec 13 - Puāwaitanga evening - Team Ruru Whānau hui

Dec 14 - PRIZE GIVING

Dec 14 -Final Celebration Christmas Picnic

Feb 04 - Term 1, 2019 begins



From the Principal



The end of another year is upon us! We still have another busy two weeks ahead with plenty of learning and fun still to be had. This year has been a year full of exciting and interesting events and opportunities for our students, allowing them to be empowered, to explore, innovate and collaborate with others through a vast range of activities. I know that our Year 8 students will go off to high school with a lot of experiences in their kete and ready and prepared to add many more in the years ahead. I look forward to seeing many of you at the end of year prize giving and at our family picnic that evening. We encourage you to come and enjoy an evening with the staff and your extended family on Friday 14th between 5:30-7:30pm. Bring a picnic or takeaways and enjoy games and fun together. Thank you all for being part of the Te Waka Unua School whānau

Ngā mihi nui,
Janeane Reid

Explore, Innovate, Collaborate, Empower

Tall Blacks Visit



Last week Mika Vukona from the Tall Blacks visited our school and took time out from his busy schedule to work with our Year 5&6 basketball fans.

End of Term Information

Prize Givings are Friday the 14th.

Juniors at 10:00 am and

Seniors 1:00 pm.

Students can go home with parents after prize giving but are welcome to stay with their teachers until 3:00 pm. On the Friday evening we encourage all whānau to join us for a picnic and loads of fun and games together to celebrate the end of the school year. It would be great to have you all come along and enjoy this time with our staff. We don't anticipate students attending on the Monday. 🧑‍🎓 🍷 🌲

Korfball



Te Waka Unua students have recently had the opportunity to learn the game of Korfball and have participated in the local Korfball tournament. One of our Year 5/6 teams was placed 1st last week.

Sailing

Some lucky senior students have had the opportunity to go sailing on the ship Fox II on Lyttelton Harbour over the past week.



The Fox II is New Zealand's oldest gaff rigged ketch; built in 1922, it has an overall length of 18.2 metres. It is a traditional gaff rigged ketch sailboat with 6 red sails, 2 wooden masts, and made in New Zealand from the best New Zealand kauri.

Tough Kids Challenge



We sent a team of students to the Tough Kids Challenge. The course, winds through forest and follows the estuary, finishing in the South New Brighton Domain. The 2.5km course featured waterslides, mud pits, inflatable obstacles, tyre runs and more. It was the perfect way to finish a busy year for both students and teachers, with a few surprises, plenty of laughs and pure fun.

Surfing at Sumner



A group of our senior students got to try their hand at surfing recently. First they learnt to balance on their boards on the sand, then progressed to the water. They had a fantastic day out on the water and many students were able to stand up out on the water by the end of the session.



Team Pīwakawaka & Team Pūkeko Parts Play

Team Piwakawaka and Team Pūkeko have been exploring a variety of objects which can be viewed as junk. They use their five senses to form understandings of everyday life and how things around us can be used in a variety of ways. You can see how creative they have been, and how much fun they had exploring what they could create.



Be Kind



Reporting to Parents

End of year reports will be sent home for all students on Wednesday, December 12th.

We are in the process of changing to a new Student Management System, so the second page of the reports will look a little different.

The second page will show Reading, Writing and Maths data from our new LINC-ED Student Management System, which next year will be available for parents to view their child's progress online. Teachers will post new assessments and updates regularly throughout the year, rather than a written report twice a year.

Student progress, assessments and feedback will accumulate over the time your child attends Te Waka Unua School. Often there will be evidence of progress shown through video or static images.

At its core LINC-ED is about sharing learning. Sharing learning at multiple levels and for multiple purposes. With LINC-ED we can share individual student's learning with families. It will be really easy to track engagement so that you can see where we are making a difference.



Pō Fiafia

This Thursday, December 6th, we will have our Pō Fiafia, an evening to celebrate the successes of our Pasefika students from 5:30 - 7:00pm



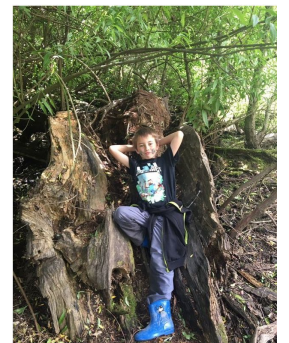
Manu Kōrero

Team Ruru held the finals of their Manu Kōrero competition last week. It was fantastic to see so many tamariki stand proudly to deliver their pepeha and speeches. The competition encourages fluency in Te Reo Māori and this year the theme was 'Kia kaha te reo Māori'. A big congratulations to all the winners and a huge mihi to all those who participated.



Kea Forest School

This term, Team Kea students have been making weekly visits to a small private 'forest'. They have been investigating different aspects of this natural environment to learn more about something that has sparked their interest.



Our School Kiwi Can Programme

Our Kiwican programme teaches values such as integrity and respect, and delivers fun-filled learning for our students. Currently our students are learning about solving problems: Kiwican says: 'problems - we solve them, we take them and we own them.'



Te Rangaihi Kapa Haka Competition

Te Waka Unua entered a team into the Rangaihi kapa haka competition on Saturday, November 10th. Students were invited to audition for this group and then had to spend many hours learning the waiata and actions to deliver a polished performance. Despite some high quality competition, our wonderful performers were placed second overall. Congratulations to everyone who put in the hard work to help achieve this great result.



Community Notices



The **Woolston Development Project Holiday Programme** has places available on the following programmes: Monday, 17th December to Wednesday, 19th December and Monday, 21st January to Friday, 1 February. All programmes open from 8.00am to 5.30pm. OSCAR subsidy criteria applies. Activities will include: arts, crafts, sports, games, walks and 3 outings per week. Contact Bev, 3894448 for enrolments.



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