

Strike day done - Teacher Only Day to come. A big thank you to all parents, caregivers for your understanding, support and cooperation this week with all that has been going on! Let's hope the Government can come up with a solution quickly that will satisfy everyone?
Wrap up warm and enjoy the long weekend - the last one for a while!

Whakatane School Teacher Only Day - Friday May 31st (Tomorrow)

Whakatane Schools Teacher Only Day on Friday 31st May - All Whakatane schools will be closed tomorrow to allow the teachers to attend the planned Teacher Only Day. This day has been planned and paid for months prior to the strike action notification, so very unfortunate timing.

RIPPA RUGBY TOURNAMENT

All the best to our teams taking part in the Eastern Bay of Plenty Ripa World Cup tournament today (postponed from Tuesday 28th May). We look forward to hearing how you all go.

A big thank you to all the parents assisting with transport and supervision - these opportunities would not be possible without your support! Also a big thank you to Cherie Walker for her organisation of our teams - made even more difficult with the postponement earlier in the week.

WHAKATANE COMMUNITY OF LEARNING – INFORMATION SHARING

Recent changes in the education sector have led to the establishment of Communities of Learning, where schools, early childhood and other educational institutes work together to improve educational outcomes for children within a community of learners.

The Whakatane Community of Learners or Kahui Ako' consists of the following schools; Apanui, Allandale, James Street, Nukuhou North, Ohope Beach, Paroa, St Joseph's Whakatane, Trident, Whakatane High and Whakatane Intermediate; and also involves numerous early childhood centres.

Important Dates:

Friday 31st May – Whakatane Schools Teacher Only Day

Monday 3rd June – School Closed – Queen's Birthday Holiday

Wednesday 5th June – School Cross Country (Thursday 7th Postponement date)

Tuesday 11th June - Interschool Cross Country

Tuesday 18th June – EBOP Cross Country

Wednesday 3rd July – STUDENT LED

CONFERENCES – more details will come out soon about these

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Thursday 4th July - STUDENT LED

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Friday 5th July – End of Term 2

The Whakatane Kahui Ako works with all member schools and organisations to '**Enrich partnerships, grow capability and strengthen engagement for equitable outcomes and success for our community**'.

In order that the Kahui Ako works from an evidence base, schools and organisations are sharing information. This includes attendance, student achievement and learning needs information.

Information shared is non-identifiable data and is used to help determine patterns and trends across the community of learning in order to inform needs, supports, funding and possible professional development for schools.

CROSS COUNTRY SPONSORSHIP

Thank you so much for the awesome sponsorship work going on!! So proud of the children's enthusiasm. Every little bit counts and is greatly appreciated.



Outside Education Providers - Events for 2019

Dear Parents/Caregivers

We have now finalised bookings and dates for outside providers for 2019. These events **cannot** be confirmed earlier as the providers contact us during the year and dates need to be mutual for both parties involved. The outside providers are also committed to present at other schools in our area which can mean some tight booking schedules.

There will be no outside provider events in Term 3 due to our biannual Ohope Beach School production.

Confirmed events for 2019

Term 2 - (week 9) St John in schools programme

Term 4 - Life Education Trust

- Kadodo Drum and Dance NZ - Performance and student workshops.

Further information on the content of these programmes will be provided closer to the presentation date.

There is a cost associated with these events. We require payment of \$10 per child. Payment can be made online or at the school office.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's home class teacher.

Thank you.

PRIDE VALUES

P – Positivity - We participate in all activities with enthusiasm. We say kind and positive words.

R – Respect - We listen and use our manners. We care for ourselves, our belongings, the environment and each other.

I – Integrity - We make the right choices and do as we say. We are trustworthy.

D – Diligence - We try our best in all activities and take on challenges. We work hard to achieve our goals.

E – Empathy - We think about others and their feelings before we act.

Our focus this week is **Integrity**

PRIDE Winners for week 4 were:

Te Tiwai – Freddie, John, Billy, Ben F, Vinnie, Cade

Nga Peka - Evie, James

Each fortnight at our Friday assemblies, we present 2 to 3 children from each learning space with a Pride certificate related to the current Value focus and a coloured band. Whanau should be extremely proud if their child brings one of these home. Children who have also earned pride tickets around school or on the bus also go into a draw to win an ice block. This term those with the most Pride tickets or Pride points from each class also get to have a special treat on Friday.

At the end of this term all those who have received a PRIDE ticket go into a draw for prizes.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

7 June 2019

Your child should have brought voting papers home on Tuesday. (please check their bags). Voting papers need to be dropped posted into the school office by noon Friday 7th June 2019