

WITHERLEA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Monday 9th November 2020

Term 4 Week 5: 2020



Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou Witherlea whanau,

What a way to end the last short week of the term - with a Disco (put on by our amazing WSPCG). The students were talking about it all week and what a great way to practice their '*relating to others*' competencies and to dance, sing and socialise which we do very well at Witherlea School.

We have the Book Fair all this week in our Library and the famous 'Milo and Marshmallow' evening on Wednesday at 6pm. Witherlea School and children do not just value reading, they love it! This is an important event on our calendar so make sure you stop by to support this event to nurture your child's ongoing love of reading.

We are heading into the 'busy season' and often this is felt by children too. Be patient with them as they come to school and are doing their very best to make individual progress. They will be getting tired and like everyone this year has had an affect, one way or another. Look out for signs of tiredness and ensure they are eating well, keeping hydrated and have plenty of sleep to cope with all the end of year events, school, sport and the increasingly hot weather.

We have a number of events coming up on the calendar be sure to check it out on the website and School App and we extend an invite to all our families and whānau for these events because the place is so much better when you are all here...it just buzzes with all the positivity and smiles.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Andrea Harnett - Tumuaiki

Welcome to Witherlea

We welcome our new students at our flag-raising on Monday mornings;

Year 1-2 Punga Team

Ferns Room

Toby M, Olivia-Clare O,

Room 5

Hazel B

Room 6

Ezra W

Year 3-4 Kowhai Team

Room 12

Mariia O

Change of Start Dates 2021

The start of school for 2021 will be different across a number of Marlborough Schools due to a change in the number of days school is required to be open and the need to use the eight 'Teacher Only Days' given to schools in 2019 to support teacher workload. COVID-19 interrupted the use of these in 2020. Witherlea School will use a combination of these days and our own days at the very beginning of the year which will see the first day of school on **Tuesday 9th February** following Waitangi Day rather than Wednesday 3rd February like we had originally planned.

We will have our New Entrants and Year 6 students come for an orientation time on Friday 5th February with details and times to be confirmed before the end of the year.

"Ararangi - Pathway to the Sky"

Empowering all learners to reach their potential in an innovative community

Term Events

Term 4

Week Five

Monday 9th November - Friday 13th November
Annual School Book Fair - Library

Monday 9th November

November BOT Meeting: 5:30pm in the Library

Wednesday 11th November

Book Fair - Milo and Marshmallow 6-7pm

Friday 13th November

Diabetes NZ Day - Dress Up in Blue
(Gold coin donation)

Week Six

Monday 16th November - Friday 20th November

Wednesday 18th - Thursday 19th November

Kowhai Safe Kids

Thursday 19th November

Marlborough Athletics (Year 5-6 selected)

Friday 20th November

Teachers Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Week Seven

Monday 23rd November - Friday 27th November

Friday 27th November

Punga Assembly 12:30pm in the Hall

Week Eight

Monday 30th November - Friday 4th December

Wednesday 2nd December

Year 6 Leavers Assembly and BBQ

Friday 4th December

COMs Team Assembly
Service and Sport Awards for 2020

Week Nine

Monday 7th December - Friday 11th December

Pine Valley Year 4 Camps

Monday 7th December

December Board Meeting: 5:30pm (Library)

Wednesday 8th December

Year 3 EOTC Day @ Witherlea

Thursday 9th December

Year 5-6 Leadership Day @ Witherlea

Week Ten

Monday December 14th - Friday 18th December

Last week for 2020

Monday 14th December

2020 School Reports go home - Year 2-6

Tuesday 15th December

End of Year Picnic and Concert

Wednesday 16th December

Class Swap - 2021 Transition Day

Friday 18th December

School Closes @ 12pm for 2020 (Last day for the year)

Farewell and Welcome

At the end of this week we will say farewell for Mrs Phoebe Quirk and welcome Mrs Jane Walkenhorst into Room 8. We will also farewell Mrs Jordan Shollum and welcome Ms Janine Sorenson. Ms Jemma Herdman will take Maternity Leave from Week 6 - Term 1 in 2021 which is very exciting for the Herdman whānau. We will have all fixed term positions filled for 2021 and the school structure out to the community by Week 7 this term.

2021 will see our Year 3-4 classes as composites just as our Year 5-6 classes began their journey this year.



Oscar 4 Kids provides quality before and after school programmes and staff to look after your child while you are at work.

Our Programmes operate from:

- Woodbourne Community Centre - After School, 5 - 13 year olds.
- Redwoodtown School - After School, 5 - 13 year olds.
- Springlands School - Before and After School.
- Blenheim - After School, 5 - 13 year olds.
- St Mary's - After School, 5 - 13 year olds.

Transport available
WINZ subsidies available

For further information contact:
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4 Kids



lights over marlborough
Fire Works spectacular
Saturday, November 14, 2020
A WHITNEY STREET SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

'Lights Over Marlborough Fireworks Spectacular'

Saturday 14 November

From 6pm at A&P Park, Maxwell Road (Postponement Day 15 Nov)

Enter at Maxwell Rd and Alabama Rd Gates

Adults & Children 5 and Over: \$8 Children Under 5: FREE

Family of 5: \$35

Fireworks, Food, Entertainment, etc.

For more information go to www.facebook.com/LightsOverMarlborough

Whitney Street School Fundraiser

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Fair

Term 3 WINNERS

**Congratulations to these students
for living our school MOTTO**

Punga; Year 1-2

Hub 1

Caius T, Harriet M, Harry D, Tayla K

Hub 2

Emelia E, Edward James

Kowhai; Year 3-4

Hub 3

Chloe M, Finn M

Hub 4

Natalie P, Liam B, Poppy G

Kauri; Year 5-6

Tane Mahuta

Matteo C, Alex D

Uenuku

Jah'Bree M, Cerys L, Nathan G

2020 Athletics Champions

Below are all the students who placed first or won their events for each of the year groups. Congratulations to everyone who participated and in particular to those who showed your strengths. Notices went out on Friday for the Marlborough Athletics Champs. We do need support to run the High Jump event and to supervise our athletes on the day.

Please let Mrs Quirk know if you can help.

High Jump Champions

Year 1 Girl	Emelia Eteveneaux
Year 1 Boy	Xaver Hammond and Gus Murphy
Year 2 Girl	Ishana Massey and Amelie Molony
Year 2 Boy	Beau Fisher
Year 3 Girl	Jean Clarke
Year 3 Boy	Ryan Batty
Year 4 Girl	Stella Clark
Year 4 Boy	Connor Winitana
Year 5 Girl	Kavali Tekka
Year 5 Boy	Harry Robertson and Aaron Sweet
Year 6 Girl	Jah'Bree MacDonald
Year 6 Boy	Oliver Clarke & Jett Murrell

Shot Put Champions

Year 1 Girl	
Year 1 Boy	
Year 2 Girl	
Year 2 Boy	
Year 3 Girl	Zara Whitley
Year 3 Boy	Hugo Feather
Year 4 Girl	Amelia Heaney
Year 4 Boy	Chayce Kahui
Year 5 Girl	Leia Shaw
Year 5 Boy	Dylan Ettema
Year 6 Girl	Jah'Bree MacDonald
Year 6 Boy	Jett Murrell

Distance Throw (Throwing Champ)

Year 1 Girl	Tayla Koubek
Year 1 Boy	Henry Morrow
Year 2 Girl	Taylor Thompson
Year 2 Boy	Beau Fisher
Year 3 Girl	Grace McCallum
Year 3 Boy	Jock Murphy
Year 4 Girl	Maddie Horsley
Year 4 Boy	Josh Abrahams
Year 5 Girl	Pippa Minhinnick
Year 5 Boy	Denzel Hoani-Tito
Year 6 Girl	Poppy Clark
Year 6 Boy	Jett Murrell

Long Jump Champions

Year 1 Girl	Tayla Koubek
Year 1 Boy	Charlie McCallum
Year 2 Girl	Ishana Massey
Year 2 Boy	Beau Fisher
Year 3 Girl	Joy Xu
Year 3 Boy	Freddie Heagney
Year 4 Girl	Ella Meys
Year 4 Boy	Chayce Kahui
Year 5 Girl	Pippa Minhinnick
Year 5 Boy	Harry Robertson
Year 6 Girl	Katherine de Zwart
Year 6 Boy	Jett Murrell

Sprint Champions

Year 1 Girl	Tayla Koubek
Year 1 Boy	Xaver Hammond
Year 2 Girl	Taylor Thompson
Year 2 Boy	Remy Beatson
Year 3 Girl	Zara Whitley
Year 3 Boy	Freddie Heagney
Year 4 Girl	Maddie Horsley
Year 4 Boy	Ben Clark
Year 5 Girl	Leia Shaw
Year 5 Boy	Louis Robertson
Year 6 Girl	Arabella Perkins
Year 6 Boy	Jett Murrell

Contact Tracing

Although we are in Alert Level 1, it is still very important that people can be traced in the event of a Covid outbreak.

This is just a reminder to please make sure that you use the NZ contact tracing app or school app when you come onsite.

QR codes are available at the school gate or at the office. If you are unable to use an app, please sign in at the office.

DRUM LESSONS

TAKING ENROLMENTS NOW FOR 2021

For Witherlea School students ages 7+

To register or for more information, please contact:

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Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Fair

Kia Atawhai, Kia Ora, Kia Tika

2020 Athletics

What a great event with all our children participating and trying their absolute best. Our amazing experienced teachers running the events with Mrs Quirk in charge. A huge thank you to Mr Atyeo for creating all the markings on the ground and to our families and whānau for the support. Best of luck to our athletes who are off to Marlborough Champs.



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