

## NEWSLETTER NO. 9 - 12th June 2024

Nau mai haere mai, Greetings | Tena Koutou | Konnichiwa | Groete | Namaste | Talofa Lava | Malo e Lelei | Ni sa bula | Fakalofa lahi atu | Kia Orana | Asalam Alykum | Ni Hao |

Welcome to week 7! We are over halfway through term 2, and oh my word, how the year seems to be flying past. Thank you all for your continued support and contributions throughout this term. We've had a busy term, with a wealth of wonderful learning opportunities and possibilities for our students.

### FreshMoves

Our Year 5-8 learners took to the stage on Wednesday 5th June at the Baycourt Community and Arts Centre for the 'Fresh Moves 2024' dance festival. Our students displayed the values of Manawa-roa (fun, courage, confidence, individuality, positivity), Manawa-ū (motivated, self belief, good attitude) and Manawa-tīnā (family, community, teamwork, collaboration, togetherness) as they prepared a dance themed 'Tipping Point', and then performed in front of an audience of 500. Whakamārama - you were amazing! You should all be so very proud. From the photos below, you can see that this is a highlight of the year.



Parents, whānau and teachers, thank you for supporting us to achieve our school vision **"Ko te manawa ū, kia rere, kia tīna"** Manawa ū (student with determination and resilience - supported by whānau), kia rere (to be empowered to thrive), kia tīna (may it be everlasting for generations to come).

Thank you Miss Johnstone and Miss Wallace for preparing our learners. Our learners were full of energy and enthusiasm. Our learners were prepared for owning the stage with confidence and self belief.

### Most Improved Swimmer 2024

Each year the Te Puna / Bethlehem Lions Club presents the most improved swimmer award to our kura. Congratulations to this year's recipient, Ayla 🏆 Ayla received a medallion in which to remember her committed effort during the swimming season, and her name is now an addition to the trophy hanging proudly in the school office entrance. Thank you Lions, what a wonderful cause!



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## North Cluster Cross Country - 4th June 2024

It is always a privilege hosting the annual North Cluster Cross Country event. It's a big day. It's a competitive day. It's a day that leads all runners participating to an opportunity to move through to the WBOP Cross Country Championships event.

Team Whakamārama (Noah G, Brayden, Ben W, Kingston, Aaliyah and Taylor) ran with heart and soul when they competed against North Cluster school competitors. They ran with courage and determination. We are so proud of their achievement to reach this event. We are so proud that we have learners willing to face challenges.

Congratulations to Aaliyah (3rd Year 4 girls) and Ben W (7th Year 4 boys). Aaliyah and Ben will be competing at the WBOP Primary Cross country Championships on Tuesday 18th June. We wish them all the best 🍀



A GREAT  
BIG  
THANK  
YOU!

### In Appreciation 😊

The hosting of the North Cluster cross country event is a big day for our small school; and the hard work that went into the success of this day was truly recognised, valued and appreciated. We would like to recognise the amazing support from parents, caregivers and whānau. Thank you for making the time for us. YOU ARE AMAZING!



The school would like to acknowledge Heller's for sponsoring this year's supply of sausages. Sausages for Schools is about helping more Kiwi kids!

The school would like to thank Anton Terblanche from Bayleys. Bayleys sponsored extra reels and pigtails to further support the set up of our course. The course was the best setup ever!

From our fundraising efforts with the BBQ and cafe, the school raised \$1800. This money was budgeted towards funding our music teacher for the year. We love having Christine in our school 😊



### Paper4trees - Pepa mō ngā Rāka

As an incentive to divert as much paper and cardboard from the landfill as possible, our school is rewarded with native trees /plants as part of our involvement with the Paper4trees waste minimisation programme. From the efforts of our learners across 2023, we have received some native ground cover to plant out into our gardens. Thank you Paper4trees.

### What have our teachers been learning?

At Whakamārama School, we understand and recognise the importance of building our capacity and skill in all areas of education. Our teachers

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are open to new learning, and willing to participate in ongoing professional development. I am grateful to our teachers for the way that they embrace professional learning development. They never shy away from adding to their kete (basket) of knowledge.

Our teachers are heavily engaged in professional learning development focused on 'Assessment for Learning'. We want our learners to have high expectations of themselves as learners. We want learners who feel confident about their capacity to learn, and who set goals for their learning. I am pleased to report that the benefits of the work we are doing is already evident in classroom practice across the school.

Programmes for Students (Pfs): ALiM (Accelerating Learning in Mathematics). Our school is lucky to be receiving mentor support from Anna McDougall. Anna's expertise is providing professional learning and development in Mathematics. She has extensive experience supporting school wide development and change in the leading, learning and teaching of Mathematics and Statistics in order to improve learning for students.

With an aim to build a shared understanding of the Science of Learning and how it impacts teaching and learning, the staff have spent time exploring the biological and cognitive aspects of the Science of Learning.



## No Stopping

Many of you will have now noticed that we have a no stopping area outside the school. Please support us in keeping everyone safe. This no stopping area has been put in for a good reason!

## Yummy Apple Stickers

We have until September to collect. The more stickers we collect, the more FREE sports gear. Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores. There are more sticker sheets in the office if you need them.

## Korean Fried Chicken Food Truck

Thursdays, Dylan will be parked up between Gull and Whakamārama Auto from 4.30pm - 7.30pm - mention Whakamārama School and your child's class number and our school will receive a donation of \$2 per portion of k-fried chicken and \$3 per portion of yum yum chicken - a very tasty way to raise funds for our school!

**CONGRATULATIONS to students who received a class award at our whole school assembly on Friday 7th June. Mīharo! Awesome!**

ROOM 3 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
Week 6 7th June	River	River is a thoughtful learner. He is improving his reading and the way he discusses the story. Great!
	Thomas	Thomas is a mathematician. He is using his maths knowledge to solve number problems. Great!
	Millie	Wow - A super duper writer. Millie is an author - She has great ideas. Millie has already written many books - Yay!
	Noah	Wow - What a wonderful mathematician! Noah enjoys numbers and is ready to use what he knows to solve problems. Great!
ROOM 2 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
Week 6 7th June	Felix A	For showing manawa -ū by engaging in discussions and sharing what you already know
	Harry	You are beginning to think carefully about what you read so you are ready to discuss and share ideas about what you have read.
	Jamie T	For coming up with thoughtful questions during discussions around our shared book
ROOM 4 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
Week 6 7th June	Johnny	For demonstrating Manawa-ū by thinking carefully about your learning and asking thoughtful questions. Ka rawe, Johnny!

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Reon	For displaying Manawa-nui by showing kindness and respect towards your classmates and being always willing to lend a hand. Tino pai rawa atu - excellent, Reon!
Ben	For an improved effort and attitude towards your learning. Keep striving to achieve your goals, Ben.

These children all have a June (Piripi) birthday!!



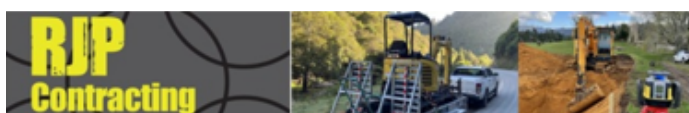
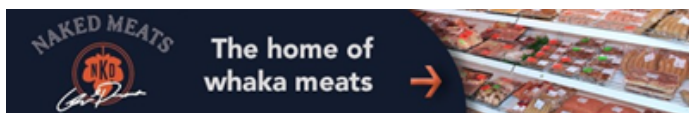
7 Years George, Forrest  
 8 Years Zachary  
 9 Years Eva, Mia, Reon, William  
 10 Years Lexi  
 11 Years Johnathan

## SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD

Please keep yourself up-to-date with the school newsboard that comes out fortnightly in the newsletter or on the the school website

Pipiri / June	
Wednesday 12th	North Rugby 5's Qualifying Tournament
Tuesday 18th	WBOP Cross Country
Tuesday 18th	Board of Trustees Meeting 6pm
Thursday 20th	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - Wear covered shoes
Friday 21st	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - Wear covered shoes
Thursday 27th	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - Wear covered shoes
Friday 21st	School Assembly 2.15pm - Come join us in the Hall!
Friday 28th	Matariki Public Holiday - School Closed
Hōngongoi / July	
Thursday 4th	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - Wear covered shoes
Wednesday 3rd	Matariki Stargazing and Breakfast
Friday 5th	Pyjama Day
Friday 5th	Matariki Rotation of Activities
Friday 5th	Last Day of Term 2
Monday 22nd	Term 3 starts

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download the app: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose Whakamarama School once installed.

**HUME** Katikati's Kiwifruit Company  
Celebrating 40 years with our community  
**Saturday 6th July**  
8am-12pm

Dress in Blue  
Spot prizes to be won

Open to all ages

First 200 registrations receive a goodie bag

**5K & 10K FUN WALK & RUN**

Start and finish at War Memorial Hall, Katikati

**REGISTER FOR FREE**  
[WWW/HUMEPACK.CO.NZ/FUN-RUN](http://WWW/HUMEPACK.CO.NZ/FUN-RUN)

Whakamārama School PTA presents  
**Ethel & Bethel BINGO BABES!**

FRIDAY 5TH JULY 2024 7:30PM  
WHAKAMĀRAMA COMMUNITY CENTRE

Games  
Live Auctions  
Prizes  
Fun and Laughter!

See us to purchase tickets!

BARFOOT & THOMPSON

**School Fundraiser**  
**K-FRIED CHICKEN**

K-FRIED! \$17 YUM YUM! \$18

NOMINATE YOUR SCHOOL FOR DONATED PROCEEDS

Thursdays in Term 2  
4:30pm to 7:30pm

Location: **NEXT TO WHAKA AUTOMOTIVE**  
BUBBLE DRINK AVAILABLE

Korean Fried Chicken

**ATTENDANCE MATTERS**  
Notify Us Of Your Child's Absence Within Seconds On Our Skool Loop App

**ATTENDANCE**

- Open the Skool Loop App & select Absentee
- Select a date range, if applicable
- Receive email receipt of your submission

Download The Skool Loop App. A simple, 100% free download. In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

**netsafe**  
**Online Safety Parent Toolkit:**

Digital parenting in a rapidly changing world

**EDVENTURE**

**Two Great July Holiday Camps!**

Week 1: Edventure Advanced Explorers \$635 @ Ngatuhua Lodge (10-13 yrs)

Week 2: Edventure Young Explorers \$650 @ Aongatete Lodge (8-12 yrs)

We have an amazing week lined up with bush walks, archery, air rifle, fire building and cooking, hut building, orienteering, team building, confidence activities, night activities and much more!

**BOOK HERE**

Hamilton & Tauranga Pick-up/Drop off options available

For more information:  
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**2025 ENROLMENTS**

**OPEN DAY - 17 JUNE**

Enrolments Open: 17 June - 26 July  
[www.aquinas.school.nz](http://www.aquinas.school.nz)

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