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## Newsletter No 15 – 8 September 2022

Our children will discover who they can be

THE ADVENTURE WAY

We learn ... We care... We act...

Curious Collaboration Collabor



Welcome to our new students. It's great to have you join our Adventure family!

Room 9 Oliver ChandlerRoom 10 Spencer Chhim, Nawaf Alasqah, KyleeErasmus, Orla Dillon



#### Kia ora koutou e te whānau

Whakataka te hau ki te uru, Whakataka te hau ki te tonga. Kia mākinakina ki uta, Kia mātaratara ki tai. E hī ake ana te atākura He tio, he huka, he hauhu Tihei mauri ora

Kia ora e te whānau,

What a fabulous turnout (91%) at our recent Learning Conversations. We see these meetings as a valuable opportunity to connect with whānau and to share specific information around student learning and progress.

If you were unable to attend we encourage you to contact your child's class teacher to make a suitable time to meet.

I'd like to acknowledge our hardworking PTNi for their superb organisation of our Whittakers chocolate fundraiser and also to the many families who have been able to support this. We are looking forward to tomorrow morning's assembly where the total funds raised and prize-winners will be announced.

## Out & About

# Music to Our Ears...

At Adventure we are fortunate to host opportunities for children to engage in music lessons through a range of private tutors including The Goodtime Music Bus, Catherine McCulloch piano lessons, and Music Therapy with The Little Music Caravan.

Recently we were treated to an entertaining and interactive performance by the Goodtime Music Academy tutors.



Please contact the school if you would like information about any of these private music tutors.

#### **2023 ENROLMENTS**



To assist with planning for 2023 classes, we would greatly appreciate you letting the office know, as soon as possible, if you have a child who-

- turns five during 2023 and you have not already given pre-enrolment details to the office
- is currently in Years 1-7 and **will not be returning** to Adventure in 2023

# Wig Wednesday

Every week in Aotearoa, three families are told the heart-breaking news that their child has cancer. The treatment these children undergo often means they need to brave the world with no hair.

Yesterday Adventure was ablaze with an assortment of wonderful wigs and funky hairstyles to show our support for these children and their whānau.

A huge thank-you for supporting this event – your kind donations will go to the Child Cancer Foundation.





















**COMING UP** 



# What a fun-filled week this is going to be!

**MONDAY** 

Kapa Haka Kindy Performance Te Wiki o te Reo Māori launch & Kapa Haka Performance

**ALL WEEK** 

Te reo Māori activities

WEDNESDAY

Rangikura School Kapa Haka Performance at school

**THURSDAY** 

Rangikura School Pasifika group Performance at school

**THURSDAY** 

Whānau Hui in the hall 6pm-7.30pm EVERYONE WELCOME

**AROUND THE SCHOOL...** 

# Creativity...Curiosity...Self-Direction in Full Swing...











It was wonderful to see a Year 3 student support a group of Year 1 students during Learning Through Play. Oz taught them how to make paper planes and, during the process, modeled many of the Adventure Way attributes including self-awareness, collaboration and creative problem solving.





# **Lunchtime Creativity in the Long Jump Pit....**







# Daffodils for Gold Coin Donation

A huge thankyou to the Hooper Smith/Glass whānau for their generous donation of bunches of daffodils to raise money towards the PTNi Outdoor Environment Project.

These will be available-

When: Monday 12 September (after school)

Where: The main gate

Cost: Gold coin donation



## **REMINDER**

# Nau mai, haere mai

You and your whānau are invited to our Whānau Hui
Thursday 15 September 6-7.30pm
(The hall)

# Tamariki welcome

We would love you to come along to engage with other whānau, learn about what Adventure offers under the umbrella of te Āo Māori, and also enjoy a great performance from our Kapa Haka.

If you, or members of your whānau, have a particular question or topic you would like discussed, please email Carl McManaway <a href="mailto:cmcmanaway@adventure.school.nz">cmcmanaway@adventure.school.nz</a>

Light refreshments including tea, coffee and juice will be provided.

Please RSVP to: The office: 234-7220

office@adventure.school.nz

or

Tania Cox principal@adventure.school.nz

Ngā Mihi nui

Tania Cox
(Acting Principal)



This term we have a veritable potpourri of wonderfulness to share.

The Adventure Way is at the fore of learning, and if the amount of laughter and smiles in class is an indication, a lot of fun is happening!!

That is when the learning happens!



Room 16 has been involved in a '20 book reading challenge' where the children have been challenged to get out of their comfort zones and read different types of books.





They have also been busy with Wordmania. This is a fun and engaging word building game and Room 16 were part of a worldwide competition. Inspired by watching the highest score of the time (approximately 53,000) on YouTube, several students in Room 16 set aim to score as high as they could. Mr Mac was quietly confident that his score of almost 8,000 would not be surpassed. How little did he know - check out the photo to see Rm 16s current high scores!



Room 17 has very busy. They have made a 'poetree' in their room and have been exploring different types of poetry. They have been having fun with onomatopoeia. They have also studied the local legend of Awarua and painted a taniwha depicting him.











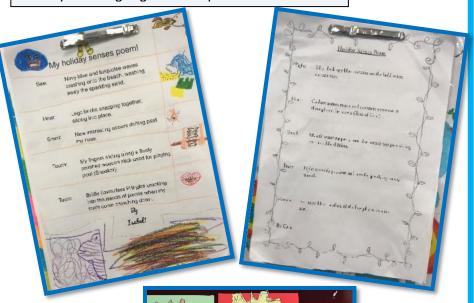






Room 18 have been busy writing senses poems. They explored their senses and tried to use descriptive language in their poems.





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Room 20 have been busy with their project-based learning. A lot of wondering, asking questions, curiosity and problem-solving.

They chose an animal and designed a habitat for them. They then wrote some descriptive writing explaining the habitat and why it is appropriate for their animal.





A group of students have started a technology business. They have made their own phones and laptops. The business has a bright, eye-catching logo and they have made a pamphlet describing the technology and persuading people to buy their products. A television advertisement is in the process of being produced. A letter was even written to Tim Cook, CEO of Apple, to ask for advice on running a business.





Room 21 have also been busy with project-based learning, focusing on student passions and interests to drive learning.

Much fun was had writing interesting and descriptive 'scary' stories and sharing these around the campfire...and what is a campfire without marshmallows?





Heaps of effort was put into farewelling Mr Wootton. Collaboration at its best!







# **Mathswell**

A huge congratulations to our Year 5/6 Mathswell team who competed at this year's Mathswell competition at Wellington College last week. They all did extremely well and came in the top 8 out of 32 teams. We are very proud of you all.



From left: Lucas McKee, Hieu Tran, Josh Woolf, Xander Last, Lily Cox, Sumvidh Bharadwaj





CALLING ALL LOVERS OF GARDENING AND DIY!



Spring Working Bee

IMPORTANT:
Please note the
revised time

Sunday 11 September 10am -1pm

(postponement – Sunday 18 Sept.)

Sausage Sizzle After!



Email ptni@adventure.school.nz if you can lend a hand, and so we know numbers for catering. Thanks a bunch!



## **NOTIFICATION**

# **New Zealand Police Dog Training Exercise - 22 Exploration Way Whitby**

Between 11 am and 5 pm on Monday, 12th September 2020 the New Zealand Police Dog training centre will be conducting a training scenario at the address of 22 Exploration Way Whitby Porirua.

During this time police vehicles will be present in the vicinity; Police Dog handlers will be dressed in full uniform and there will be police dogs.

This notification is for your information only as the address is situated next to a walkway that is regularly used by students and parents between Adventure School and Exploration Way.

There will be Police signage situated nearby and a small coned area to allow Police vehicle parking.

For any clarification or questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

Blair SPALDING Sergeant - BSH288 Mobile 021 191 1027





# Important Dates for Your Calendar



Please be aware some details may change

TERM THREE		
Week 7	Friday 9 September	Scholastic Book Club Issue 6 orders close
	Sunday 11 September	PTNi Working Bee (10am-1pm)
Week 8	Monday 12 September	Māori Language Week
		3.00: Daffodils at the main gate
	12,14,15 September	Year 2 swimming
	Wednesday 14 September	4pm: BOT voting CLOSES
	Thursday 15 September	6.00-7.30: Whanau Hui
	Sunday 18 September	PTNi Working Bee pp
Week 9	19,20,22 September	Year 2 swimming
	Tuesday 20 September	Nikau Syndicate Cricket
		Sports team and group photos
	Friday 23 September	Sausage sizzle
Week 10	26,27 September	Year 2 swimming
	Monday 26 September	6.30: BOT Meeting

## **2022 Term Dates**

Term One: Tuesday 8 February – Thursday 14 April

**Term Two:** Monday 2 May – Friday 8 July

**Term Three:** Monday 25 July – Friday 30 September

**Term Four:** Monday 17 October – Tuesday 20 December

# School will be closed on the following days:

Waitangi Day – observed Monday 7 February (during the holidays)

**Easter** – Friday 15 April – Tuesday 19 April (during the holidays)

**Anzac Day – Monday 25 April (during the holidays)** 

Teacher Only Day - Friday 3 June

Queen's Birthday - Monday 6 June

Matariki - Friday 24 June

Labour Day – Monday 24 October

**Teacher Only Day** – Friday 25 November (tbc)

# **Community Notices**

#### Love Tennis, 11 September 11am-4pm

At Whitby Tennis Club and other local clubs

It's free for everyone!

Racquets supplied. BBQ. Prizes. Giveaways.

You could win a trip for two to eh ASB Classic in Auckland this January.

www.lovetennis.kiwi

#### PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL LADIES CLOTHING GRAB

Saturday 24 September 7-9.30pm at Papakowhai School Hall

Come and freshen up your wardrobe for Spring & Summer with good quality new to you clothes \$25 for a ticket which includes a bag of clothes, complimentary bubbles and supper Tickets on <a href="https://shop.tgcl.co.nz">https://shop.tgcl.co.nz</a>

Clothes donations welcome, email: <a href="mailto:homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz">homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz</a> for pick-ups or more information.

# Kelly Sports - Spring into Sports term 4- Wednesday's 3.05pm-4.05pm

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 4 with their fun and exciting classes. Come and try *Football, T-Ball, Cricket and Rippa Rugby!* It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability.

We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more – all while having a great time!

For full details and to enrol into our programmes

visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201

#### **GKR Karate - Free Self Defence Class**

with Sensai Anthony Kaiaruna, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dan Black Belt

Our club is running a Safety Awareness Campaign during September and October. Come and attend a Free Self Defence Class in your local area., for kids 5+, teenagers, adults and families with any experience level.

Sunday 18 September, Postgate School Hall, 2-4pm.

To book in the whole family, simply click on the link and fill in some basic details. More info about our joining fee and weekly fees will be shared once booked. register here

# **School Holiday Activities**

#### **ARTY FARTY KIDS**

Are running some Mini Holiday Art Sessions

Week 1 - Thursday & Friday in Tawa

Week 2 - Monday & Tuesday in Whitby

Please contact- office.artyfartykids@gmail.com for further information.

### Spring Holiday Programme @ Adventure School, 3 - 14 Oct 2022

**BOOKINGS OPEN Now!** 2 weeks of popular and exciting activities await your child (e.g. Laserforce, Clown School, Staglands, Earth Science, Roller Skating Rink, Awesome Bounce, Movies @ Lighthouse Cinema and much more).

BOOK ONLINE: <a href="www.asfc.co.nz">www.asfc.co.nz</a> For more information e-mail <a href="holprog@asfc.co.nz">holprog@asfc.co.nz</a> or call 027-454-6975. Our opening times are 7.30am - 5.00 / 5.30pm. Children from all schools are welcome ©

FUN CLUB Holiday Programme @ Adventure School

### KELLY SPORTS OCT HOLIDAY PROGRAMME - NGATITOA DOMAIN, PORIRUA

Our hugely popular Kelly Sports Holiday Programme is back for the October Holidays for children 5-13 years. Come and join the Kelly Sports coaches for the best in sports!

We have created an Action Packed Programme including: : The Tough Kids Challenge, Batt & Ball Day, Galaxy Defenders Day, All Stars Day, Football Fun Day, Kelly Sports Classics plus trips to Awesome Bounce, Wgtn Museum, Space Place and Zealandia!

**Click on the following link to see the activity planner -** Kelly Sports October Holiday Programme Activity Planner

To enrol www.kellysports.co.nz, email adminwgtn@kellyclub.co.nz or ph. 021 972 728

# COASTLANDS STAR SEARCH – ON TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> TO FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

The world famous Coastlands Star Search is on in Coastlands shopping town, Paraparaumu in the second week of the October school holidays!

If you've got a talent - singing, dancing, gymnastics, acting, or anything you think the judges would like to see, then please pick up an entry form from the Coastlands Information Desk, or email Kelly.dawson@nzme.co.nz for a copy.

There are two categories – Category 1 is children aged between 5 and 11, and Category 2 is for ages 12-17 (or 18 if still at secondary school).

Be in to win **AWESOME** prizes from Stirling Sports, Kapiti Chocolate factory, an annual family pass to Coastlands Aquatic Centre and much much more!

In conjunction with "Coastlands Shopping Town", "The Hits" and "Stirling Sports".