



Adventure School

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WHĀIA TE ARA TIKA
Seek your own path

THE ADVENTURE WAY

Our children will discover who they can be

Curious

Creative

Collaborative

Self-directed

Self-aware



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

Room 8: Freya Markland, Josephine Findlay,
Connor Growden

Room 12: Cody Brell



Kia ora koutou

The sun didn't shine but it certainly didn't stop us from getting together with whānau for our Meet n' Greet last week. Thank you to all the families who were able to come along. We had a great time getting to meet new faces as well as reconnecting with the familiar.

Wheels At Whitby

It seems we've been waiting a long time for this spectacular event... and we're almost there! Let's hope the school is a ray of sunshine for this Saturday so Wheels of Whitby can become a reality. I know Saturdays are often busy for families, but if you have a free hour or two, we'd love to see you there!

Cyclone Victims

Each school in North Porirua Kahui Ako is collecting monetary donations to support schools that have been affected by the cyclone.

In support of this, on Tuesday 7 March we will be having a "Uniform Free Day" where children can bring along a donation towards the cause. (We do appreciate you may have already contributed elsewhere – donations can be whatever feels right for your family.)

Contacts / Personal Details

Please help us work efficiently and effectively. If your contact details or circumstances have changed, we would appreciate an email to the office, so we always have the most up-to-date information on hand.

Whānau Picnic & Teacher Meet n' Greet



Emergency Food Supplies

Thank you to the families who have already sent along emergency food supplies with their children. As you can see, we need many more to refill our 4 wheelie bins.



WHAT: 2 cans of food per child (any sweet or savoury)

For Special Dietary Requirements only

Please write child's name on canned food and send in a separate bag, clearly named, with dietary requirement or condition stated.

WHEN: by **Friday 3 March** would be really appreciated

WHERE: to your child's classroom ready for collection

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

You are very welcome to join us!

WHEN: Friday 3 March - 2pm

WHERE: The Hall

HOSTED BY: Head Boy & Head Girl

BUDDY CLASS ITEM: Rooms 2 & 24

Our student leaders will be presented with their badges.



Parent Survey - Reporting to Whānau

TOMORROW you will be sent a survey link inviting you to give feedback on how we report to Whānau". The survey will close **3pm FRIDAY 10 MARCH**



Free to a Good Home!

We have 16 old tyres we would love to be rid of!

If you would like to take any number of them

or

if you are able to help us dispose of them, we would be very grateful as they are taking up precious storage space.

Please contact: Rebecca St. Clair

rstclair@adventure.school.nz

Syndicate Facebook Pages

The Syndicate Facebook pages are run independently by a school parent who posts information to keep you updated with school events and are not associated with the school.

OUT & ABOUT...



Let's Get Movin' in March!



Movin' March has kicked off! Remember to get your Walk or Wheel Passport stamped at the gate!

Check out the Movin'March website for more information:

<https://schooltravel.gw.govt.nz/walk-or-wheel-programmes/movinmarch/>



SCHOOL POLICIES



Adventure School uses SchoolDocs to maintain a comprehensive, up-to-date set of policies and procedures.

Our SchoolDocs policies can be accessed through the school website under the "Our School" tab.

Reviews

- All school policies are reviewed on a three-year cycle, with some policies reviewed each term.
- Reviews are open to board, staff, and the school community.

2023 Reviews

- All schools will review the Legislation and Administration section and the Curriculum and Student Achievement throughout the year.
- Anyone in our school community can review any policy/procedure that has a red, review flag. (The board has some policies they must focus on.)
- If you would like to give feedback on the following policies, log in to SchoolDocs and follow the review instructions.

TERM ONE

- Legislation and Administration Policy **Board**
- Privacy **Board**
- Official Information Requests **Board**
- Uniform/ Dress Code
- Student Attendance
- Enrolment

Ngā mihi nui

Tania Cox

(Principal – Tumuaki)

WHEELS AT

Whitby

SAT 4 MARCH 2023, 11AM-3PM ADVENTURE SCHOOL, WHITBY

STALLS, FOOD, PRIZES & MORE. FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



DISPLAY
VEHICLE
ENTRY
\$10

ADULTS \$5
CHILDREN \$2 (U5 FREE)
FAMILY (2+2) \$12

**CLASSIC, CUSTOM, EXOTIC, IMPORT CARS
& MOTORBIKES. JUDGED AWARDS WITH PRIZES.**

Find out more at www.facebook.com/WheelsAtWhitby



ALPHANZ
TECHNOLOGY GROUP

Ngā Mihi nui

Tania Cox
COVER ME
(Principal - Tumut)



Speedy Signs
grow your business faster



Whitby



Parika.
with James

Action
CIVIL LIMITED



Harcourts
Team Group



Kōwhai Syndicate

Ever wondered why 5-year-olds are exhausted when they make it home from school?

Introducing: A day in the life of a Kōwhai student...



8.30 - 8.55am

Tamariki arrive at school and hang their bags up. This is a time for children to catch up with their teacher and classmates.



8.55am - 9.15am

Mat Hui: From 8.55am all children join their classmates and teacher for a mat time hui which can involve start of the day routines, karakia and a whole class literacy learning session.



9.15 - 10.30am

Children engage in Learning Through Play while the teacher calls small groups of children to the 'jelly bean' table for literacy learning.



10.30am - 10.50am

Morning tea - during the warmer months, children sit with their friends under the shade cloth to eat their kai before heading off to play.

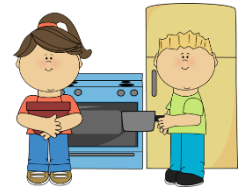


10.50am - 11.50am

The first 'In the Play Teacher' runs the mat time and promotes the NZ Curriculum or Adventure Way traits. Sometimes we have special visitors from around the school to share and teach us new things.



After the mat time, it is back into the Play and the "Teaching Teachers" call small groups of children for mathematics and literacy learning. We use Room 8 as the teaching only room, and Room 12 and under the shade cloth is for Learning Through Play. We are slowly opening up Room 9 to be available as our quiet space for children.





11.50am - 12.00 noon

During Brain Break, children bring their lunch boxes down to the mat. The 'In the Play Teacher' shares photos of what was happening in the play for today's session. We often encourage children to share things they have been working on, and we also use real life situations to discuss and reflect on and grow the Adventure Way.



12.00 noon - 12.40pm

We are back in the Play once again, and the second 'In the Play Teacher' takes over so that the first 'In the Play Teacher' can take mathematics and literacy learning groups.



12.40pm - 1.00pm

At the end of our session, we must reset our spaces. The children work in teams to tidy specific spaces across our learning environment.



1.00pm - 1.55pm

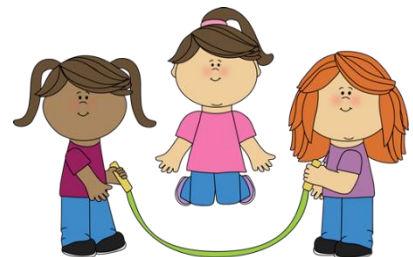
After all that fun and learning, the children are hungry for their kai! We monitor the children while they eat their lunch from 1.00-1.10pm and ensure they eat a 'good amount' before heading off to play.



1.55pm-3.00pm

Every day after lunch starts off with reading books, and then we move into our afternoon literacy mat time.

Our afternoons in Kōwhai are the most varied part of the day. After our literacy mat time, our afternoons are made up of physical education sessions, buddy class time, library, assemblies, the Arts lessons, or preschool (where applicable).



And there you have it: A day in the life of a Kōwhai student!



Important Dates for Your Calendar

Please be aware some details may change



TERM ONE

Week 5	Friday 3 March	2pm: Whole school assembly
	Saturday 4 March	Wheels at Whitby
Week 6	Monday 6 March	5.30pm: BOT meeting
	Tuesday 7 March	Uniform free day – cyclone fundraiser 7.30pm: PTNi meeting. All welcome
	Thursday 9 March	Team Rimu School Campout - note date change
	Saturday 11 March	Wheels at Whitby pp
Week 7	Friday 17 March	2pm: Whole school assembly
Week 8	Tuesday 21 March	School photos – corrected date
	Wednesday 22 March	Yr 7/8 Kapi Mana Netball (24 March pp)
	Friday 24 March	1.45pm: Principal welcome
Week 9	Tuesday 28 March	7.30pm: PTNi AGM
	Wednesday 29 March	Yr 5/6 Kapi Mana Netball (31 March pp)
	Friday 31 March	2pm: Whole school assembly
Week 10	Monday 3 April	5.30pm: BOT meeting
	Thursday 6 April	Final day of Term One

2023 Term Dates

Term One:	Thursday 2 February – Thursday 6 April
Term Two:	Monday 24 April – Friday 30 June
Term Three:	Monday 17 July – Friday 22 September
Term Four:	Monday 9 October – Tuesday 19 December tbc

School will be closed on the following days:

Waitangi Day – Monday 6 February

Easter – Friday 7 April – Tuesday 11 April (during the holidays)

Anzac Day – Tuesday 25 April

Teacher Only Day – Friday 2 June

King's Birthday – Monday 5 June

Matariki – Friday 14 July (during the holidays)

Labour Day – Monday 23 October

Community Notices

PAREMATA PLIMMERTON RFC - Junior Rugby Registrations 2023

It's that time of year where we'd like to invite all returning and new players to register for the 2023 junior rugby season.

Club rugby grades are based on the school year you are.

Grades start from Nursery (aged 3yrs +) to Year 7/8 combined.

Year 3 is the first year of tackle rugby.

We continue to have Rippa Rugby available for all ages which provides a great way for all to stay in the game.

Registrations are now open online. Please upload a current photo.

Go to: www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/210328

Once you have registered online, come to one of our rego days to be weighed in, collect your playing top and to purchase any merch or ask any questions.

Registration fees need to be paid before you can receive your playing top.

REGO DAYS at Pare-Plim RFC, Ngati Toa Domain

Tues 7th March 5.00 – 7.00 pm

Sun 12th March 9.00 – 12.00 pm

If you have any queries, please email: juniors@pareplimrugby.co.nz

Register for our two Free Brainwave Trust Workshops

First workshop this Thursday! We still have spaces available!

Workshop One

Thursday, March 2, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Porirua Women's Centre, Lydney Place South (opposite Laughalots)

- What does your child really need?

A child needs consistent, responsive, loving care from parents or adults in their lives. Come along to this talk for parents and whānau with a Brainwave Kaiako.

- Why Come: As a parent/caregiver you may feel overwhelmed by advice. In this talk we will share some key things with you that can help your child to reach their potential. You will leave with a clear understanding about what you can do to give your child the best start in life.

Topics include:

- How the brain grows and develops
- Why children need to feel loved
- Help children handle stress and feel safe
- How experiences shape healthy development

Workshop Two

Thursday, March 9, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Porirua Women's Centre, Lydney Place South (opposite Laughalots)

- Why Come: To feel supported and informed as a parent while providing guidance and support through this transition from childhood to adulthood.

Topics include:

- Recognising and enhancing adolescents' strengths
- Positive and negative aspects of risk-taking
- The increased importance of peers
- Changes in sleep patterns
- Exploring the potential influence of alcohol use
- Benefits and risks associated with social media use.

Register for one or both! To register email womenscentre@wharemanaaki.org.nz with your first and last name and contact phone number.

Seaweek – 4 to 12 March

This year, from **Saturday, 4 March to Sunday, 12 March** Seaweek will showcase and promote a wide range of activities and opportunities across the motu. There are an endless number of ways to get involved in the national celebration of the sea. You are invited to join in by participating in snorkelling and paddling events, local conservation initiatives, beach clean-ups, film screenings, art workshops and citizen science projects all over New Zealand! Check out seaweek.org.nz/whats-on to browse events that will inspire renewed connections with your community and your local waters.

If you are planning an activity for Seaweek, let us know! You can tag us @seaweek on Facebook or @nzaeseaweek on Instagram in your #seaweek posts so we can share the love. Don't hesitate to get in touch with us by emailing seaweek@merc.org.nz we'd love to hear from you!

Wellington Schools Regatta 2023

Sail for your school – Tuesday 7 March (Reserve day is Wednesday 8 March)

At Paremata Boating Club

<https://paremataboatingclub.org.nz/club-sailing/schools-regatta>

The Academy – Dance & Stage School

At **The Academy** our main focus is to create a safe, professional and fun environment where all our students can learn the fundamentals of Dance and Performing Arts, while making memories that last a lifetime.

Each class is catered for a specific age range, allowing all students to be taught quality skills whilst meeting like-minded new friends. Whether you are joining classes for a hobby, wanting to gain confidence or paving the way for a career in the Arts, this school has something to offer everyone.

Come and dance with us. First class free.

If you have any questions just email admin@theacademy.dance