

13th May 2016

Kia Ora, Talofa, Fakaalofa Atu, Hello.

Next week is Anti Bullying Week which will end with a Pink Shirt Day on Friday 20th May. This is an annual global event which began in Canada in 2007. This year is our first year we have participated in Pink Shirt Day, which aims to create schools and communities where all people feel safe, valued and respected regardless of age, sex, gender, ability or cultural background.

Too many young New Zealanders are experiencing bullying and it's up to all of us to speak up and take action to ensure our schools celebrate diversity and are safe and welcoming places for everyone.

As a school we will be focussing on Anti Bullying across the whole week and this will be incorporated into all curriculum areas.

One area of increasing rates of bullying is cyber bullying: 29% of boys and 22% of girls in Primary school are reporting cyber bullying.

We are looking forward to the week ahead, please ask your child what they have been talking about in class and to share their work.

Mrs Barry
Principal



High Achiever's Award. 4th May.

- R1 Justin. For working well in his learning groups.
- R2 Briede. For always trying hard in her work especially writing.
- R3 Phoenix. For an amazing start to school.
- R6 Allana. A great attitude to learning.
- R7 Shaun. For great maths work.
- R8 Jennifer. For consistently managing yourself and your learning. Ka rawe!
- R16 Georgina. Demonstrating that she is always ready to learn.

Rodayo Robin Award.

- R15 Piper. For working hard on her learning goals and showing co-operation with others.

Board of Trustee Elections.

Whanganui East School is calling for nominations for 5 parent representatives for the board of trustees.

Nominations close at 12 noon on Friday 20th May 2016.

Nomination papers have been posted to all eligible voters. Please post or hand deliver completed nomination forms to the school office.

Portfolios.

Next week the children will be starting to put their Term 2 work into their folders, if your child has not yet returned them please can you send them to school a.s.a.p.

Discovery Learning Programme.

Last week we started our Discovery Learning Programme. It was exciting to walk around the classes and see the children actively engaged in their learning.

Across the term the children will learn: how to make traps to catch pests that destroy the bush, to weave using flax, the unique plants that are in our NZ bush, about birds and sustainability for future generations.

Our Year 1 students are also having their own discovery learning programme in the afternoons. The children have been split up into mixed groups and each week will rotate to a new class on a Tuesday/Wednesday and Thursday in the afternoons.

The term will end with the whole school visiting Bushy Park. If you would like to share your expertise or know of others please call at the office.



Raffle.

\$1.00 ticket at the office.
Jacket - size XL
Modelled by our Property
Manager Mr Whetton.

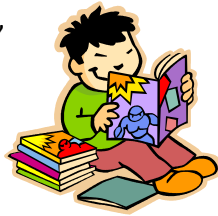


Have you moved or changed phone number recently?

Please don't forget to let the office know your new address and contact numbers.

P.J.'s & Popcorn Evening.

Where: Whanganui East School Library
When: Friday 20th May
Time: 6.00 - 7.00 p.m.
Theme: "Fairy Tale Twist"



Stories and Popcorn.
Lucky Number draws for a book.

All whanau are welcome to attend.

"Night @ the Library".

Mrs Lawson accompanied six student librarians, Hemi, Jaymilee, Madison, Rihari, Haeleigh and Azaleaha to a "Night @ the Library" Evening with other Whanganui school librarians. It was a fun night looking behind the scenes, discovering the different spaces and a library activity.



Room 16 Trip.

On Thursday Room 16 went to the Whanganui Glass School to learn about glass blowing. Mr Jones, who is currently teaching in Room 16, showed the children some of the amazing skills he has learnt over the years. They were transfixed with the sights, sounds and smells of the Glass Studio while they watched Mr Jones make a glass bowl, a swan and a paperweight.



Assembly Week 3.

Friday 20th May – Room 16.

Pink Shirt Day – Anti Bullying Week

Friday 20th May.



**LOVE
OUR
SCHOOL**

"I love the playground and I love doing Maths in the classroom".
Kathleen, Room 15

Every Child Achieving