



Welcome, Kia ora, Talofa

Thankyou for selecting Whanganui East School as the BEST school in Whanganui.

The Staff and Board of Trustees welcome all families to Whanganui East School.

The staff at Whanganui East School provide a supportive and quality learning environment for student learning. The school takes pride in the high quality curriculum delivery and student centered approach to teaching and learning.

We take pride in providing a range of academic, cultural and sporting opportunities for all our students in a positive and safe learning environment.

At Whanganui East School we value very highly, the communication and co-operation with families as being very important to building links with home.

Partnership is a KEY part of our school community and every opportunity is taken to work and support students through family and whanau.

We trust that your child's time at Whanganui East School is rewarding and fulfilling for their future education.

Eleanore Barry
Principal

Keith Ramage
Board Chairperson

Vision Statement:

Every Child Achieving

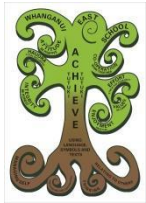
Our Key function as a school – to raise student achievement:

- We have a commitment to relational pedagogy: getting to know and understand our students as individuals and target teaching accordingly.
- We have a commitment to our school community that irrespective of a child's cultural background, academic ability or experience, special needs or social circumstances, their achievement will be a priority at Whanganui East School.
- Echoes our key ACHIEVE curriculum values.

Mission Statement:

‘To create a positive learning environment that supports every child’s well-being and achievement’

- Building a challenging, caring and inclusive learning environment to support student learning and wellbeing.
- Having appropriate high expectations of all students, caring about all students and student achievement.
- Building a sustainable and positive culture of emotional competence and relationships with the students.
- Monitoring effectiveness of learning programmes to raise student achievement.



ACHIEVE Values

- underpin our school curriculum.
- As a community we understand and embrace these core values in order to raise student achievement.
- We know that by establishing and maintaining a safe and effective environment that places positive relationships at the centre, the academic and behavioural competence of all learning will be maximised.

Attitude - Be Positive

Co-operation - Work together

Hauora - Total Wellbeing

Integrity - Be Honest

Effort - Strive for your best

Values - Be Caring

Enjoyment -Have Fun

ACHIEVE is about:

- Building positive relationships.
- Achieving consistency in behavioural expectations across all settings.
- Teaching strategies to work through behaviours instead of expecting that students just know what to do.
- Maintaining focus on academic outcomes.
- Building a sustainable and positive culture of emotional competence and relationships in the school environment and community.
- Increasing time spent on teaching instead of managing behaviour.
- Building relationships with the school community.
- Based on decisions on reliable data - constant and consistent reassessment of data to implement solutions.
- Teachers and students being aware of the functions of behaviour.
- Increasing academic achievement.
- Enabling students to reach their potential.
- Effective communication to/between staff and students.

ACHIEVE Focus.

Every fortnight there is a specific ACHIEVE focus that is related to an ACHIEVE unit. Each one is taught on a fortnightly basis school wide.

There is a school-wide expectation that all teachers introduce and reinforce social/behavioural across the school day and incorporate the focus in the daily teaching programme.

School assemblies are held every 2nd Friday at 2.15pm, assemblies are also used to reinforce and introduce the ACHIEVE focus to all students for the following week.

2018 STAFF

Principal	Mrs E. Barry		
Deputy Principal	Miss Nicola Keyes	Room 3	Year NE/Y1
Assistant Principal	Mrs May Bennett		
Team Leader	Mrs Ray		
Teachers	Mrs M. Watt	Room 3	Year 1
	Miss G. Geard	Room 1	Year 2/3
	Mrs Ray	Room 1	Year 1/2
	Mrs S. Walker	Room 6	Year 3/4
	Whaea May	Room 16	Year 5/6
	Mrs McKenzie-Hofmann	Room 15	Year 4/5/6
	Mr Drew Rennie	Room 7	Year 4/5
Support Staff	Mrs L. Campbell	Office Manager	
	Mrs M. Emerson	Office Manager	
	Mrs B. Ditchfield	Learning Support	
	Mrs K. Watkins	Learning Support	
	Mrs A. Hoekstra	Learning Support	
	Mrs N. Bowman	Learning Support	
	Mrs G. Lawson	Library Manager	
	Mr A. Whetton	Property Manager	

Dental Therapist Mrs S. Biffen

Board of Trustees (BOT)

Current Board Members are:

Chairperson: Mr Keith Ramage
Mrs C. Blake
Mr David Hoekstra
Mr Karney Herewini

Principal: Mrs Eleanore Barry
Staff Representative: Mrs Ray
Board Minute Secretary: Mrs L. Campbell

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the governance of our school. It is an important role in that it ensures the government's legal requirements and student achievement expectations are met.

Board meetings are open meetings. Notification of each meeting is via the school newsletter. The Board is elected by parents every three years.

Our School Offers

Academic

The school curriculum at Whanganui East School is delivered through seven curriculum areas.

1. Mathematics
2. Science
3. Social Sciences (Science, Social Studies)
4. Arts
5. Health & Physical Education
6. Technology
7. Literacy (Reading & Writing)
8. Digital Learning: All classes have as part of their daily programme computer education using a wide range of computer technology.

Cultural

The school offers a variety of cultural experiences:

- School Productions
- Visiting performers - music and drama (Duffy Theatre)
- Excellence in Art at school and through external tutors
- Kapa Haka performance

School Sports

A number of sporting codes are played. We rely on parent support to coach teams. If you are interested in coaching please contact the office.

- Rippa Rugby
- Cricket
- Soccer
- Netball
- Teeball
- Athletics
- Swimming
- Softball
- Volleyball

In addition, the school offers:

- Targeted Learning Support Programme
- Programmes for gifted and talented within classrooms and external opportunities
- Te Mana - After school literacy/numeracy support.
- Educational experiences outside the classroom.
- Interschool Sports
- Emphasis on fitness and programmes in safety awareness.
- Targeted Play
- Achieve Leaders (Y6 students) Peer Mediators (Y5 students)
- Entry in local and national events e.g. New South Wales External Exams:
- Support for parents of New Entrant children
- Public Health Nurse/ Social Worker in Schools
- Carefully planned programmes to ensure children achieve to the best of their ability
- A goal setting focus for children - personal and academic
- Rotary Readers
- Little Achievers programme for 4 ½ to 5 year olds
- Duffy Books in Homes
- Breakfast Club
- Fruit in Schools
- Traffic Wardens

The A to Z of School Information

Absences

Please phone, fax, txt or email the school office before 9.00 a.m. if your child is to be absent. We will endeavour to contact parents when a child is away without any known reason. This is a safety precaution for your child.

If children arrive at school late we ask that they check in at the school office before making their way to class.

If a child is absent with no explanation they are marked as Truant.

Assemblies

Monday start up assembly is held at 8.55am in the hall. The purpose of this assembly is to inform students of what is happening across the school week, to remind children of the ACHIEVE focus and to share sports results.

Team assemblies provide an opportunity for children to share completed work, to sing together and to build team spirit. Students are also recognised for their hard work both in and out of the classroom.

School assemblies are held alternative Fridays at 2:15pm.

School assemblies are more formal occasions where High Achievers and Principal certificates are presented. Parents are welcome at school and will be invited to join assemblies by the classroom teacher.

Breakfast Club

The school operates a daily breakfast club from 8.15 to 8.50 a.m. in the school hall. If you are interested in being rostered on for a morning, please let the office know.

Change of Address

Please inform the office of changes to your address or personal and emergency phone contact numbers.

Classroom Involvement

Parents are welcome to be involved in and assist with classroom programmes. We see this as a valuable experience for both parents and children, particularly in the junior school.

Dental Service

Our school dental therapist Mrs Sue Biffen may be contacted by phoning 343 7138.

Duffy Books

Whanganui East School is part of the Duffy Books Programme. As part of the Duffy Book Programme all children receive 5 free books a year at a Duffy Assembly.

Enrolments

Where possible it is preferable that enrolment details are completed prior to the

starting day. This is a useful time to meet the Principal, Class Teacher, and visit the classroom. New Entrants are invited for pre-school visits prior to their 5th birthday. The Deputy Principal will contact you or alternatively you can phone the school office to arrange a suitable time.

Fruit in Schools

Children receive free fruit every day as part of the Health Department Fruit in Schools Programme.

Hall Hire

The school hall is available for hire for alcohol and smoke free events. Bookings through the school office.

Health Nurse

The Health nurse visits every Wednesday from 9.00 a.m. Referrals can be made through the school office. The Health Nurse can be contacted on 348 1775.

Library / Information Centre

We have a well-resourced library. Each class is timetabled for library lessons, browsing, and book selection. Books may be borrowed for a period of one week and must be returned at the end of each term. The library is open for children to play indoor games on wet day lunchtimes. Computers are also available in each classroom and the library is available for students to follow up on research.

Little Achievers

Children who are 4 ½ -5 years of age are invited to attend every Friday from 9 - 9.45am in Room 8. The programme focuses on early Literacy and Numeracy skills in preparation for school.

Lost Property

This is stored in a box in the foyer outside the office. Please name children's clothing and personal property. At the end of term all lost property is donated to charity.

Lunches

Lunches may be ordered daily. Lunch menus are provided at the beginning of each term and when prices change. Lunches are delivered to the classrooms. Orders are taken before school at the canteen which is located at the side of the hall.

Medical

Please notify the office if your child is allergic to bee stings, medication, asthma, or requires any kind of immediate medical attention.

Newsletters

Newsletters are sent home every second Friday and emailed to parents who choose this option. The Newsletter is also uploaded onto the Facebook and School Website. This is an important type of communication, keeping you up to date with coming events, celebrating success and sharing school developments.

Parent-Teacher Association (P.T.A.)

This is an important group which meets on a Thursday at 3.15 p.m. in the school library, 2 times a term. The committee organises fundraising activities and supports school activities. All parents are encouraged to join and enjoy the company of others while being involved at school.

Patrols

The main crossing into school is a Kea Crossing with patrollers and a teacher on duty from 8.30 to 8.55 a.m. and from 2.50 - 3 p.m. Year 5 & 6 children are trained by the Police Education Officer for the important job of road patroller. We appreciate parents modelling using the crossing to keep our children safe.

Playgroup

There is a playgroup on the school site. This is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9am to 1pm. This is for all pre-school children from 0-5years.

Pupil Safety

For the general wellbeing of our children we ask that valuable items are not brought to school and any money is given to class teachers for safe keeping. Medicines (if required) are kept in a secure place and administered by office staff who will follow your instructions.

ACHIEVE values are positive statements to guide behaviour and social development. Where concerns arise we expect that home and school will work closely together.

Duty teachers are actively involved in the playground at morning tea and lunchtime.

The school day begins at 8.55 a.m. and finishes at 2.50 p.m. Any change will be notified to parents. Please let the class teacher know if your child is to leave school during the day for an appointment or sign them out at the office.

Reporting to Parents – Learning Conversations

All children will have a Learning Conversation 2x per year, or more if requested to report progress and achievement against the New Zealand Curriculum.

School Donation

To maintain the high standard of facilities and resources, the Board of Trustees requests a donation from parents to supplement Ministry of Education Grants. For 2018 the amount is \$20.00 per term per child or \$25.00 per term per family. We appreciate your support.

School Sick Bay

Minor injuries or illnesses are treated by staff in our school sick bay. Parents will be notified immediately of any serious injury or illness. A formal record is kept explaining details. All medication must be kept and administered by office staff. Where this is a long term requirement, a permission form must be signed by parents and staff will record dosage.

Sport

In addition to daily fitness and physical education programmes a variety of sports are offered to children. In winter, netball, rippa rugby, soccer and rugby through sports clubs. In summer cricket, volleyball and tee-ball. Parents are encouraged to help with coaching and team management. We participate in a variety of interschool sports fixtures:- cross country, swimming, athletics and winter tournament. Sports uniforms are supplied for school teams.

School Times

8.55 - 11.00 a.m.	Literacy/Numeracy (fruit break at 10.00 a.m.)
11.00 - 11.20 a.m.	Interval
11.20-11.30am	Morning Tea (eaten in classes)

11.30 - 1 p.m.	Literacy / Numeracy
1 - 1.45 p.m.	Lunch
1.45- 2.50 p.m.	Discovery Learning/The Arts/Physical Activity

Special Programmes

Programmes are offered in a variety of curriculum areas for children with special needs and abilities. Teachers are required to plan to meet specific needs. Children may also work in withdrawal groups or with experts at school or out of school. Teacher aides assist in classrooms, with special programmes.

Stationery

A stationery list is supplied at the end of each year and upon enrolment. Stationery packs for each Year level are available from the school office on a cash only basis.

Sun Protection

Classrooms are supplied with sunblock cream. Sun hats are available for purchase through the school office. Children are required to wear hats and suitable clothing for sun protection during daylight saving. Children who do not wear hats are expected to be seated or playing in the shade.

Swimming

Swimming instruction at the Whanganui East Pool is a priority for Term 1 each year. We expect all children to swim unless they are ill. Suitable clothing for sun protection and footwear is required as the children walk a short distance to the pool.

Teacher Contact

All staff have full-time teaching commitments. Please make an appointment if you have a matter to discuss which may take time. The office will organise appointments with teachers or the Principal.

Uniform

The school has a uniform and all children are expected to wear the uniform with pride. The uniform may be purchased from the school office.

Term Dates for 2018

Term 1	January 31st - 13th April
Term 2	April 30th - July 6th
Term 3	July 23rd - September 28th
Term 4	October 15th - December 18th

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Check List for Enrolment. (Please bring when enrolling your child).

- Birth Certificate
- Immunisation Certificate
- Signed Permissions (booklet)

For Students not born in New Zealand:

- New Zealand Passport
OR
New Zealand Residency
- Student Visa