



Matariki Celebrations

Matariki signals the Māori New Year. It is a time of renewal and celebration in New Zealand that begins with the rising of the Matariki star cluster (the Pleiades or Seven Sisters).

Our whole school participated in a rotation of creative and engaging activities based around this special celebration. Thank you to those who donated their time or materials to helping make this such a special event in our calendar.

Weekly Food for thought-Whakataukī (proverbs)

Ahakoia he iti kete, he iti nā te aroha It is the thought that counts



SCHOOL BOOK WEEK - June 17 - 21

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The purpose of holding this event is:

- To compliment work in the classroom
- To promote books and libraries
- To enhance the enjoyment of reading
- To inquire into how New Zealand and other cultures are represented through books and authors.

As part of Book Week, there will be quizzes run in the classrooms and a chance to win some book vouchers by entering the Y1-3 bookmark competition or the Y4-6 Wanted Poster competition. The children can be as creative as they wish and then bring their creations along to school to be judged. Good luck, everyone!

Throughout the week there will also be times within each Learning Community to share books with buddy classes and hear different teachers read their favourite books.

On the last Friday of Book Week, we will all be coming to school dressed as book characters and taking part in a parade - weather permitting. Now is the time to start thinking about what to come dressed up as! The children's costumes can be as simple or as fancy as you like.



Making the News!

Our kids were hitting the headlines this week!

Check out the articles and read all about our talented kids.



Learning Assistants

In order to support our teachers in A2 for term 3, and our teacher who will lead the new class in term 4, we require a learning assistant. This position will be between 12 and 20 hours per week. If you are keen to apply, please send a CV and short cover letter to pa@wgp.school.nz before Monday, June 24.

Newsletter Sponsorship

Do you have a business that would love to help sponsor our new school newsletter?

We are looking for community-minded companies to help sponsor our newsletter. To express your interest, contact kadams@wgp.school.nz



New class in Term 3!

We are excited to say that on July 22 we welcome 24 new students to start their schooling journey with us. They will bring A2 to life! We are lucky to have employed two experienced and very enthusiastic new entrant teachers, Sarah Champion (4 days a week) and Danielle Willcocks (1 day a week). We are looking forward to Term 3 already.



A Million Dreams Needs You!

Do you have a passion, talent, interesting job or hobby? Our kids need you!

We are busy lining up some cool experiences for A Million Dreams in Term 3 & 4. We would love to hear from anyone who would be able to run a workshop, host a group at your workplace, let us join in with your hobby or teach a group a new skill at school or offsite. Please email milliondreams@wgp.school.nz. Donations of time, sponsorship or resources always gratefully received to keep this initiative running.

Dates for Your Diary

UPCOMING EVENTS

CLICK EVENT FOR MORE DETAILS

Jun 13 - [Million Dreams Helicopter simulator 9-2pm](#)

Jun 17 - [BOOK WEEK](#)

Jun 17 - [School Assembly 10:20am](#)

Jun 17 - [Swimming Lessons-Leisure Centre](#)

Jun 17 - [Top Catch -Million Dreams First Time Fishing Group](#)

Jun 18 - [Million Dreams Recording Artist](#)



Jun 18 - [Swimming Lessons-Leisure Centre](#)

Jun 19 - [PFA Meeting - 7:30pm](#)

Jun 19 - [Swimming Lessons-Leisure Centre](#)

Jun 19 - [Tohora iti Transition Programme for Term 3 Cohort in Staffroom 9:30-10:30](#)

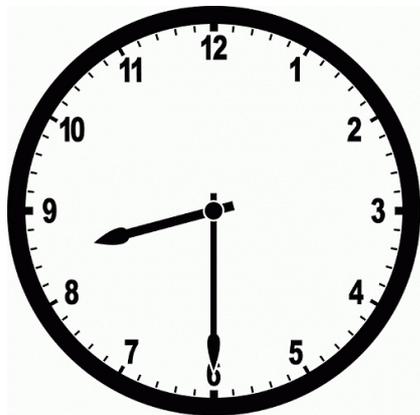
Jun 20 - [Swimming Lessons-Leisure Centre](#)

Jun 21 - [PFA Disco](#)



Student Safety

A timely reminder to talk with your child about keeping themselves safe and what to do if they are approached by a stranger asking them to accompany them to a vehicle or other location.



Thank You!

Thank you very much parents for helping us get the children at school between 8.30 and 8.50am each weekday. It really does help our staff a lot.

Travel Raffle

The competition is heating up, keep an eye out for our Facebook posts with updates on who is selling the most tickets.

Please bring any unsold tickets to the office as soon as possible as we have parents who want to sell more.

Return your sold ticket stubs and money to the office by Wednesday 26th June. The raffle draw will be taking place Monday 1st July by way of a live Facebook post.

Want the chance to boost your ticket sales? We have booked a stand at the Warehouse Whangaparaoa for Saturday 15th for you to increase ticket sales within the wider community. Email wppfatreasurer@gmail.com to take advantage of this opportunity.

Parents you must [register](#) to be eligible to win the \$200 Manly Bar and Grill voucher.



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Drum Academy on its way!

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Lessons available every Friday with Drum Tutor Rhys Fuller. Lessons are \$125 per term! To book your child in please email rhysfuller26@gmail.com. Limited spaces available. Classes suitable for Year 3 and above.



Creative Matters

Creative Matters Art Workshops will be starting next term

Creative Matters Art Workshops will be starting next term at Whangaparaoa School on Mondays 3pm - 5pm. See our website for more info and to book.

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facebook.com/creativemattersart/ i. instagram.com/creative_matters/



Winter Luau

Don't wait until it's too late

Pre-Order your DISCO tickets [HERE](#) - Don't wait until it's too late - There will be cash sales outside the office next Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

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Our Motto, Vision & Mission

As a community, we are supporting our students to be the best they can be through our Motto, Vision and Mission.

Motto: To be the best we can be Kia eke ki nga taumata

Vision: Connect Challenge Empower Hono - Whakatara - Whakamana

Mission: Together we inspire learning Whakahui, whakamanawa, tatou, ako
