

Whanganui Intermediate School Newsletter

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Tena Koutou / Greetings to our Parents / Caregivers and wider community

COMING EVENTS – MARK THE CALENDAR

Tuesday 27 March

Friday 30 March

Monday 2 April

Tuesday 3 April

Wednesday 4 April

Thursday 5 April

Wednesday 11 April

Friday 13 April

Monday 30 April

SCHOOL CLOSED 1.45 PM. Union meeting

GOOD FRIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED

EASTER MONDAY SCHOOL CLOSED

EASTER TUESDAY SCHOOL CLOSED

Supersport Cricket Whanganui

Inter-Intermediate Swimming Sports – Splash Centre

Supersport Mountainbiking Whanganui

End of Term 1. School finishes at 3.00 pm

Term 2 begins

CONGRATULATIONS

Some of our school teams and students have achieved sporting successes over the last couple of weeks.

Huge congratulations to our 1st 11 cricket team who played a great tournament over the weekend. They made the final but lost to a very strong Huntley side. There were some really great individual performances and the sportsmanship displayed was awesome.

Supersport Triathlon, held at the Whanganui Multisport Club. It involved a 200m river swim, 7km bike ride and 2km run. Five schools competed in four categories for the banners. Our Year 7 & 8 Boys' teams both placed first to take away the Boys' banner. The Year 7 Girls placed 3rd and the Year 8 Girls placed 2nd to get 2nd overall losing to a fierce Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School team. Congratulations to all competitors and a huge thank you to the wonderful volunteers that made it a great event.



PARENT/TEACHER/PUPIL CONFERENCES

Thank you to all who attended our Parent/Teacher/Pupil Conferences. This is a great opportunity to spend some one on one time with your child's teacher and to focus on the 'next steps' of their learning journey. We had a really good turnout but if you were not able to make it on those days please contact either the school office or your child's teacher to make a more suitable time.

UPDATE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RE NEW PRINCIPAL APPOINTMENT

Thank you to all of you who took the opportunity to give the board some feedback in regards to what priorities you wanted to see in our new principal. Our online survey is still open for your comments and you can access it for another couple of weeks at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P9LCZWX>.

Looking at the feedback we received from our staff, students and community and in line with our vision and strategic goals we have established the specifications for our new principal and the job has been advertised nationally. We are looking forward to receiving some quality applicants and will be shortlisting by the end of April. We will continue to keep you updated regarding our progress.

Kerralie Adam
Chairperson BOT

BACK GATE CLOSED

Whanganui High School finishes early on Fridays and in an effort to keep their students from using our school as a "walk through" we close this gate. It is opened at 3.00 pm ready for our students to leave. If you are collecting your child early or wanting to call into the school on a Friday afternoon please come to the front of the school.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The photographer will be visiting again (date to be confirmed) to take individual photos for those who missed out last week. We can still take orders for these and for class photos. If you wish to have photos done please send your completed envelope with payment enclosed to the school office ASAP.

IMMUNISATIONS

Boostrix and HPV immunisations were completed this week and next Wednesday will be the "catch up" day for those who did not receive theirs. If you have yet to return your child's form please do so as soon as possible.

SWIMMING

We are still swimming at the moment as the water temperature is still warm thanks to our new pool covers. Students are enjoying this extended swim season and we want to make the most of it while we can.

UNIFORM SHOP

During term time we can open the uniform shop for you from the school office at any time during school hours. We have a good supply of school jerseys in stock if you are wanting to purchase one before the weather turns cold. We are happy for students to wear any sort of rain or warm jacket to school and do not impose a "regulation" jacket. They will not, however, be able to wear jackets in class.

SCHOOL DONATIONS

School Donations are set annually by the Board of Trustees and for the past few years have remained at \$75.00 per pupil per year. Requests for payment will be sent out soon and I wish to say a huge thank you to those who have paid already. Payment can be made either through the school office or by internet banking. Currently you are able to make one off payments direct to our school bank account and our account number is 03 0791 0503615 00. If making a payment please note your child's full name and the reason for payment i.e. school donation. We hope to soon be able to provide more on-line options for making payments and will keep you advised regarding this.

We do try to keep our fees as low as possible but we rely on your contributions to support the many programmes we provide for our pupils.



Charles Oliver
PRINCIPAL