

Whanganui Intermediate School Newsletter

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

COMING EVENTS – MARK THE CALENDAR

Wednesday 20 June

Friday 22 June

Wednesday 27 June

Wednesday 4 July

Thursday 5 July

Friday 6 July

Monday 23 July

Supersport Basketball Ross Intermediate

Regional Schools Mountain Biking

SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1.30 PM

Supersport Netball Masterton Intermediate

Board of Trustees meeting 5.30 pm

End of Term Two

Start of Term Three

SCHOOL FINISHING EARLY

On Wednesday 27 June school finishes at 1.30 pm as teachers will be attending paid union meetings.

SUPER ARTS DANCE

On Wednesday 6 June our school dance group travelled down to Palmerston North to compete in the Super Arts Dance competition held in the Globe Theatre. They performed two amazing dances, impressing the judges and those in the audience. Congratulations to all the students who took part. You were great ambassadors for our school and we are very proud of you! Thank you to all the parents, caregivers and families who have supported them with their many rehearsals and travelled down to watch.



TEACHERS MOVING ON

Today we farewelled Sharon Kaua who is moving to Rutherford Junior High. Ms Kaua has been an outstanding teacher and supporter of our school and we wish her well in her new position, which is a promotion.

We have appointed Ms Donna Plumridge from the start of next term as the new teacher in Room 2. For the next three weeks Ms Robyn Simes will be the teacher in Room 2.

LATE TO SCHOOL

There is a noticeable increase in the number of students arriving late to school. We understand we can all have one of "those" mornings but some students are consistently late. This creates extra work for teachers and often students miss out on important notices because they were not here when they were read. School starts at 8.50 am. We will be contacting parents regarding regular lateness.

WANTED: BOARD GAMES

It is indeed the time of year when wet intervals and lunchtimes are common. During these times students remain in their classrooms and we have a number of activities they can do. We would be really appreciative of any spare, age appropriate board games you may have that are no longer used. So if you, or friends and family have a cupboard full of surplus board games please take the opportunity to have a clean out and send them along to school. They will be gratefully received.

BOOT BANK

If you have unused, outgrown sports shoes, boots, gear of any size we would also be grateful for these to add to our 'bank' of gear available for students. Once again if you are having a clean up over the holidays please think of us.

SCHOOL POLICIES

These are now available through "School Docs" and will shortly be able to be accessed through the link on the school website or you can go to www.schooldocs.co.nz click search for school and start typing the school name from the drop down box. Enter username: Wanganui-int followed by password: dublin Our policy on "Reporting to Parents" is up for review and you can read this and make any suggestions or comments via the School Docs website before the end of Week 9.

40 HOUR FAMINE

Thank you for your support last week. The bake sale raised \$526.20 and the muffin day \$480.30. It was really great to see so many delicious items donated. The students who did the 40 hour challenge are progressively bringing in the money they have raised and there are some amazing achievements.

PRODUCTION

This year's production is Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr. Auditions have begun and we are looking forward to producing an amazing show.

UNIFORM

Thank you to those who have followed up on our request regarding school uniform.

The PE uniform should now only be worn for PE or sports lessons. Students must wear the correct Whanganui Intermediate uniform as stated on our website. A WIS white polo shirt, school skirt along with navy blue socks or stockings and shoes for girls and our WIS navy shirt, navy shorts, green socks and shoes for boys. To stay warm students should also wear a school jersey, girls may wear a white skivvy or wear a white thermal under their polo shirt. Boys may wear a navy skivvy or wear a navy or black thermal under their polo shirts. The wearing of a plain, preferably black, unlabelled jacket or black beanie is also permitted to be worn outside. No hoodies, caps, colours, or labelled clothing should be worn with our uniform. We would also ask that students wear traditional black leather "school" shoes. Canvas or street style sneakers are not permitted to be worn with the day to day uniform.

We ask for parental support in ensuring that your children are wearing the correct uniform. Any uniform items can be purchased from the school office.

Please also name your child's uniform!! We receive numerous phone calls and visits about lost items and often they are un-named. This makes it very difficult to return these items to their owners. It is hard to believe that school jerseys, at a cost of \$98.00 each, are consistently being handed in to the office un-named.

CONTACT DETAILS

A reminder to please keep your contact details updated with the school office. You can do this by phone, sending a note, or emailing office@wanganui-int.school.nz

We rely on this information to contact you.

It is also interesting to note how many of our students do not appear to know their address or a contact phone number or even where parents/caregivers work or attend courses. While some students have phones to contact parents this info is only accessible while the phone is charged. Perhaps a note of important contact info could be kept in a special pocket in their school bag etc.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2019 FOR WHANGANUI INTERMEDIATE

We have been receiving a number of enquiries regarding enrolments for next year. This process will begin next term. Our Open Evening will be on Thursday 23 August.

SECONDARY SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

All the secondary schools have now had their Open Days and their enrolment processes will be well under way. Keep an eye on when their enrolments close. Please note a school report is not required with the enrolments for Whanganui High School.



Charles Oliver
Principal