Awahou School

'A Lifestyle for Learning'



Monday 29th April 2019, Term 2 - Week 1

End of Term 1 Celebration

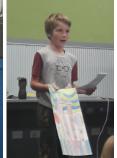
















We had a fabulous End of Term Celebration! Students shared learning and achievements from Term 1. Thank you to all the parents who came along.



ANZAC Day

Thank you to those parents and students who attended the ANZAC Day service in the Pohangina Village and lay the wreath on behalf of the school. Thank you to the Barnett Family for supplying the wreath.



Music Lessons

Ukulele lessons will begin this week for all our students. The Pohangina Perfect Day Out raised funds for these lessons, which we greatly appreciate! Lessons begin this week on Wednesday. Craig Buttar from Musiqhub will be providing the lessons.

Thanks again to the organisers of the Pohangina Perfect Day Out!

Health and Physical Education Parent Survey

The feedback from parents in regards to the 'Body Care and Physical Safety' Section of the survey identified that 'Water Sense, 'Traffic Safety/Road Sense' and 'Healthy Practices For Our Environment' were the most important. Due to the fact that we have a school pool we can definitely develop more 'Water Sense' in our students. This is be a priority for Term 4 swimming lessons. We have Constable Sarah Cree who is willing to run through a series of traffic safety/road sense lessons in Term 3. Sarah from Horizons will be working with the school to develop an ongoing programme to teach our students how to be Kaitaiki (Guardians) of our environment, which will include safe practices.

What are the benefits of the Investigations Areas in Wharite?



DEVELOPMENTALLY & CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE PRACTICE

Science & Nature Area - The science and nature learning area provides experiences and materials from the natural and scientific world that allow children opportunities to touch, explore, experiment, discover and create. Children are able to observe, predict, estimate and problem solve through their interactions with the open ended natural and scientific materials and equipment offered. Fine motor skills, eye hand coordination, oral language, logical thinking, hypothesising and social interaction are developed through the children's investigations into science and nature.

Numeracy Resource Area - Numeracy tools and resources are provided in a specific numeracy space to ensure that children have ready access to materials that support the development of their numeracy skills throughout their play and investigations. These resources may include open-ended tools for counting, measuring, timing, calculating and weighing. This area helps children to view numeracy as a set of skills that are related and useful to them in their everyday life, and it familiarises them with the use, manipulation and understanding of mathematical concepts. Additional skills include — decision making, numeral recognition, fine motor manipulation, one to one correspondence, measurement concepts and the language of numeracy.

More areas will be explained in following newsletters.

Hockey

To those students who have opted to play hockey for Ashhurst School... Your first game is this Saturday. Please remember that fees need to be paid before the game so they can issue out uniforms to you.

You can find all hockey information on the Ashhurst school site using the below link.

https://www.ashhurst.school.nz/sp orts-teamscultural/winter-hockey/y ears-78



EPro8 Challenge

The Awahou Allstars participated in the EPro8 Technology Challenge. The team had to complete a series of challenges using a range of materials. Great work team!







Playground

There have been a few changes to our school playground over the holidays. The fort on the hill has been removed, the swings have been moved and bushes cleared to make way for a larger grass area. Thanks to Sean and his team from ClearFlow for clearing the area. Thanks to the Dads who mucked in to get the swings back up, which was a mammoth task! Please stay off the swings for this week until the bark has been distributed underneath.









Cross Country

Cross country training has begun! Please ensure your child/ren bring appropriate footwear for running each day up until Friday 7th June.



Spanish lessons

Spanish lessons will begin this Friday at 11am for the ten students who have signed up. Invoices will be sent out asap.



Special News!!!

Toni Barr is expecting her third baby on 9th October. We are so excited for her! Toni will be taking a years maternity leave from part way through Term 3. We will be announcing her replacement for the remainder of this year later on this term. Congratulations Toni & Lincoln, as well as big sisters Amelia & Esmay. What will it be this time? Boy or girl?



2019 TERM 2 EVENTS CALENDAR

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week 1 Beginning: 29th April	Term 2 Starts					
Week 2 Beginning: 6th May				Year 7&8 TECH		Mother's Day - Sunday
Week 3 Beginning: 13th May	Horizons - Pest Trapping Lesson 1			FOA Meeting 5:30pm BOT Meeting 7pm		
Week 4 Beginning: 20th May		NYLD National Young Leaders Day - Years 5-8		Year 7&8 TECH	Horizons - Pest Trapping Lesson 2	
Week 5 Beginning: 27th May		Awahou School Cross Country		Life Education	Life Education	
Week 6 Beginning: 3rd June	Queens Birthday			Year 7&8 TECH	Kainui Cluster Cross Country	
Week 7 Beginning: 10th June						
Week 8 Beginning: 17th June				Year 7&8 TECH FOA Meeting 5:30pm BOT Meeting 7pm		
Week 9 24th June						
Week 10 1st July		Learning Chats	Learning Chats		LAST DAY of Term 2	