



ONEWHERO AREA SCHOOL

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Key dates:

Thursday 26th October

Netball Prizegiving 6.30pm

Friday 27th October

Athletics Day – 9am start

Wednesday 1st November

Scholastic Book club closes

Monday 6th November

Sports Prizegiving – 7pm start

Wednesday 13th December

Prizegiving (note: date changed from 14th Dec)

Kia Ora tatou

Principal's Message:

Tenā koutou kātoa

Tenā koutou ki te whānau o te Kura o Onewhero,

I trust that you have all had a fulfilling couple of weeks with your children at home. It has been great to see the students return full of energy for the final term. There are many important events this term and I look forward to sharing these with you for the first time.

Firstly, as I mentioned in the last newsletter, the Education Review Office will be visiting the school for a review starting next week. We will begin by holding a pōwhiri at 11am on Tuesday 24 October in the Hall. You are all welcome to attend. Following that, the review team will be holding a parent meeting for anyone wishing to attend at 2pm on Thursday 26 October in the Fishbowl Room (sign in at Reception first). Should you wish to request a private meeting with a reviewer, you are welcome to contact the lead reviewer, Michelle Thurlow, on 021459231 or michelle.thurlow@ero.govt.nz.

We are pleased to announce that Olivia Carey has been selected for the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Magic performance level 1 squad for netball. What an outstanding achievement for her and I am sure that she will represent us with pride.

Last night I had the pleasure of attending the Counties-Manukau junior representative prizegiving. Three of our students were represented in the under 16 boys team; Samuel MLlean, Khyia Bovill and Jesse Te Kani.

Khyia Bovill was awarded the trophy for most improved player so a huge congratulations to him for his success. In addition, both Khyia and Jesse were selected for the Chiefs development squad. This is a group of 50 players chosen from Counties, Thames Valley, Waikato, King Country and Taranaki regions. Some of the best rugby schools in the country are in this area. It is a huge achievement for our boys and we are so proud of their success.

Also, our basketballers represented us well at the national tournament in Palmerston North during the holidays. Our boys were one of the younger and smaller teams there and finished a creditable 9th place, winning their last two games. Many people commented on the conduct of our boys and their behaviour and respect that they showed and this is a great reflection on their families, the school and the wider community and the hard work put in by their coaches and management team. We are very proud of you boys.

A reminder that with external examinations approaching it is important for parents to remind their children of the importance of studying and getting plenty of sleep and a healthy diet. Research shows that a good night's sleep the night before an exam is far more effective than cramming into the small hours.

Finally, what a wonderful event Calf Club was this year. It was great to see all of the family and wider community support for the day and to see the children's artwork and pride that they have shown in rearing their animals. I know all of the hard work that

has gone on behind the scenes to make this event happen. A special thanks to Mrs Sarah Ellery and her team of organisers for making the event so amazing.

Noho ora mai,
Simon Craggs

U13 Boys Basketball

Three Onewhero boys, John Anderson, Tane Aitken and Harri Coker-Grey were all part of a Franklin U13 team that recently competed and won their U13 section of the Auckland Super City Basket Ball Competition. This is a great achievement as they were up against tough Auckland competition, and no previous U13 Franklin team has ever won it before.

School Phone Lines

Over the last week we have been experiencing some major problems with our phone lines with calls both in and out not getting through. This has caused problems with reporting absences and other important communications between the school and whanau. Please accept our apologies for this and we are in the process of sorting this with our telco. As an alternative you can email any absences to office@onewhero.school.nz

School Policy Reminder

A reminder to parents & caregivers that our **complaints and concerns** policies are available online following the below instructions:

Go to www.schooldocs.co.nz

Search for our school name at the top right of the page

Username: onewhero

Password: Onewhero

Type in 'complaints' or 'concerns' into the search engine on the left

Go to the policy that best suits your need.

Summer Work Available

Seed Solutions in Patumahoe are looking for senior students for summer work, December to February.

Ideal applicants would be students who have just completed Year 13, or current university students, with a good level of fitness, available to work at least one day a weekend, and hold a current NZ drivers licence. For more information or to apply (please send CV), email dawn@seedsolutions.co.nz or phone 09 2364585.

Engineer Her Future

Auckland University, Faculty of Engineering are holding an information evening for Year 11 and 12 female students to find out what engineers do and how their work makes a difference to our futures. The aim of the evening is to provide students with information to help with making decisions about subject choices for Year 13 and study decisions in the future. This is a great chance for students to find out what engineering is and whether it is the pathway for them. Thursday 26th October, 6pm, Auckland University. Registrations required, see

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/engineer-her-future-2017-tickets-37829979487>

SAE CREATIVE MEDIA INSTITUTE OPEN DAY

Saturday 4th November, Auckland Campus, 12 Heather Street, Parnell.

Students, teachers, friends and family are welcome to come along for a tour of the film and audio studios at our Parnell campus any time between **11am - 3pm**. We'll have plenty of staff around to chat and answer questions (as well as The Coffee Guy van on hand providing free coffee!). Tours usually take around 30min.

For further details including study options, please see <http://auckland.sae.edu/>

Camp Counsellors USA

Free information event in Hamilton, Thursday 9th November, for senior students interested in being a Camp Counsellor in the USA next year. Please visit <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/hamilton-2018-us-summer-camp-free-information-event-tickets-37832428813?aff=es2> for further details.

Hats

All junior students have to wear hats during breaks. Please name hats as students often take them off and forget where they put them. We do not have spares in the office, if your child needs a hat you will need to purchase one at The Warehouse.

These amazing pens have been created from blocks of plastic by three Year 10 boys; Murdoch Kukutai, Ryder Marshsall and Jordan Newton. The level of craftsmanship is incredible and we are so proud of what they have created. Well done boys!



Canteen Specials:

There is no special next week 24th October-27th October.

Uniform:

The following uniform is still available at a discounted price at the office.

Junior

Cargo Shorts (size 4 only) \$22.86

Culottes (sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12) \$26.53

Senior

Polar fleece sweatshirts (size L only) \$35.60

Boys & girls poly cotton shorts (sizes 10, 12, 16 – 80, 84, 88, 92, 96, 100, 104, 108) \$22.48

Poly viscose skirt (sizes 52, 57, 87, 92, 97) \$39.19

Girls short sleeve white blouse (sizes 10, 12) \$30.45

Boys short sleeve white shirt (sizes 8, 10, 12) \$33.94

Blue Poly Cotton Polo Shirt (sizes S – (1 only), M, L) \$25.90

Community Notices:

Swim Club 2018 – Needs helpers

We are currently seeking parents to fill positions within the Committee for our up and coming Swim Club Season. Are you interested in joining our Committee or keen to Coach Swimmers. The club is very beneficial and convenient for local swimmers and we would like to see this continue. In order for this to happen we would appreciate a few more parents putting their hand up and supporting the Committee. We are in the process of getting our Volunteer Coaches fully qualified, which will be a huge benefit for next season. If you are able to help with the Administrative side of the club this would be a huge help.

We have approx. 4 meetings a year, the season runs generally from January thru to March and we are currently meeting to discuss next season. Our AGM has been postponed to 30th October 2017, 7pm, Nibbles & Drinks will be available. If you are interested or would like to register your interest. Please contact Natalie 027 284 6060 or email smithgr8dig@gmail.com

Tuakau Athletics Club- online registrations are now open. Join our Facebook page for the link. Wednesdays 5.30pm, for ages 2 and up.

Pukekohe Performing Arts presents

FOOTLOOSE - The Musical

Harrington Theatre
2 Harrington Theatre
Pukekohe

20 Oct - 4 Nov 2017

Tickets available at iTicket

More info:

www.pukekoheperformingarts.org.nz

or on Facebook