



# NEWSLETTER No. 14

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Our school is involved in the Whakatane Community of Learning with 10 other schools from around Whakatane to meet the shared achievement goals for all our Whakatane children.

As part of this community, teachers from across all the schools meet regularly to receive professional development.

**This year the key focus area is Maths.**



Teachers are sharing knowledge of teaching practice as well as learning how to make accurate judgments about student achievement.

**Our 'Growing Great Learners' focus this week is:**

**'We are Respectful – we learn how to look after school equipment in and outside of the classroom.'**

When we take care of our equipment it shows that we value what we have available to us and we care that equipment is able to be used by others when I have finished with it.

## SCHOOL CAMPS

**Senior Camps have been confirmed for November.**



Year 3 and 4 will be attending a camp at the Lions Hut at Te Urewera.

The cost of this camp will be \$30.00.

Years 5 and 6 will attend a camp at Lakes Ranch in Rotorua.

The cost of this camp is \$140.00.

We encourage parents to set up an account at school where you can pay a few dollars in each week to make paying off the camp more manageable - there are 21 weeks to go until Camp week. **School camps are a valuable experience for students so we encourage all families to participate.**

## SQUASH

Our Senior Students have had the opportunity to learn squash this year through the Whakatane Squash Club. These sessions end this Friday – if you would like to see how well your child is doing, you are welcome to pop in to the lesson on Friday. If you would like your child to continue playing squash, a discounted membership is available.

**See information at the back of this newsletter.**

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND -  
No school on Monday!

## CROSS COUNTRY



**Next Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 11.30am**

We are holding our School Cross Country with a change of venue to the Awatapu Lagoon.

After the event all children will return to school where you are welcome to have lunch with your child.

## STORAGE GARAGE

We are delighted to have Whakatane Blue Light's new storage garage on site, now completed. Blue light provides many opportunities throughout the year for our students to participate in, as well as working in the wider community. Our Board was happy to provide the space for this facility to be built.



## TOY LIBRARY

### Ever thought of joining the Toy Library?

This also is hosted in our school and provides a great opportunity for you to borrow toys for your little ones at very low cost. It is open on Saturday mornings but also twice during the school week.

## COMMUNITY NEWSLETTERS

### Girls Rugby Module

- Who:** Teams or individuals welcome (Girls only)
- Age:** 9-12years old
- Need:** Mouth guard, correct clothing, water bottle, great attitude
- What:** Girls will be participating in Skills and Games
- Time:** 4pm – 6pm

Dates and venues are on the flyer. ☺

Please Contact Mark Seymour for more information

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Queen's Birthday holiday – June 5<sup>th</sup>  
Cross Country – June 8<sup>th</sup>  
Matariki Morning Tea and Rotations  
—June 21<sup>st</sup>

Kind regards

Norah Schreiber  
Principal

## Squash School Program

Thank you for taking part in a Squash in School Program at the Whakatane Squash Club. We hope you've had a great time and learnt heaps. To say thank you for taking part, we are offering everyone who is new to squash and has participated in this programme, a 12-month membership for \$50. If you would like to take advantage of this offer, simply contact Jared within four weeks of the end of this programme. As a member you have the opportunity to purchase a key for \$10 which gives you 24 hour access to the squash courts. Once you are a member there are plenty of opportunities to get involved and play more Squash.

**Junior Leagues** – Leagues are run on a Wednesday after school with divisions for both graded and ungraded Juniors. They follow a competitive format like what you would find in a tournament, however the ungraded division has some adapted rules to ensure you get a good game while still learning the basics of Squash Coaching.

**Coaching** is run on a Monday or Thursday at either 3.30pm or 4.30pm and is completed in small groups. Coaching is run by Jared Gravatt, a qualified Squash player who is currently based out of the Whakatane Squash Club. Jared has a lot of experience in coaching squash and has been involved in coaching at grassroots level right through to coaching District and National representative players.

**Tournaments** – We also host tournaments every year. These tournaments include the Eastern Bay of Plenty Open, a Squash Bay of Plenty Junior Series tournament as well as many Social and Teams Tournaments that are great fun for the whole family. For more information or to join the Whakatane Squash Club, contact Jared Gravatt on 021 971 905 or at [jared@gravattsports.co.nz](mailto:jared@gravattsports.co.nz)