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Newsletter

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From the Principal

School holidays are different. Once upon a time, long, long ago, the summer school holiday was a fun, special, family time. Once upon a time, all school children in New Zealand looked forward to the Christmas holidays with anticipation. Sadly, things have changed and many of our learners do not look forward with anticipation to a fun-filled, family-orientated time during the upcoming break.

Over the next three weeks, I will talk with many learners as I walk around the school. I will ask them what they are looking forward to and what they will be doing during the upcoming break. Based on what I've heard from kids in recent years, two or three out of every ten learners will say something that shows they are actually looking forward to their long summer break. At the start of each year, I hear again and again that the kids have been looking forward to coming back to school to see their friends - and they like the routine and sense of purpose they experience by being at school.

I want to encourage all of us parents to plan to make the upcoming break a special time for all members of our families. At a family meal time this week, let's talk about the summer break and get ideas from everyone. Then, over the next week or so, decide on something that is fun, manageable and affordable and work together as a family to make it happen.

A couple of pleas:

- Let's be sure we know where our kids are, who they are with, and what time they will get home.
- Let's keep in touch with other parents, e.g., when our kids want to visit or are invited to someone else's place - make contact with the parent(s).
- Let's read a book (or three) and encourage our kids to do the same; and plan a reduction in screen time - for all members of the family!
- Whatever we do, let's plan now to ensure we and our kids have a fun, special family time to remember this summer.
- And in the meantime, let's get our children to work hard right up to the end of Wednesday 12 December.

He aroha whakato, he aroha puta mai
If kindness is sown, then kindness you shall receive

James Thomas
Principal

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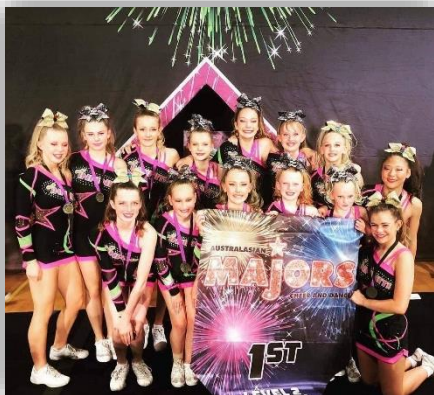
Congratulations

Paige Webster (10BOR) recently competed in two teams that Allstar Infinity Cheerleading sent to the Brisbane Majors 2018 competition.

Limitless won first place in their Level 2 Division, and came runner-up Grand Champions.

Relentless also won first place in their division, Grand Champions out of all Level 3 teams, and came away with the highest score of the whole two-day competition.

Ellie Harfield (SENWAN), was also competing in *Limitless*. Well done ladies.



Epro8

		1:56:40	
1	Whangaparaoa Barracuda	50	
2	Kaukapakapa 1	30	
2	The Quadrilateral triangles	30	
4	Whangaparaoa Eels	0	

On Wednesday 31 October, whilst many young ones in your neighbourhood may have been in a frenzy, hastily scavenging as many sweets as possible on trick or treating on Halloween night, a group of Year 7 Whangaparaoa learners were involved in a completely different frenzy: the 2018 Epro8 Engineering Challenge. The Year 7/8 event was held at Silverdale Primary School, at the same time the ghouls came out to trick or treat. The Epro8 competitors had a number of challenges to battle that night – like structures that didn't remain stable, sensors that weren't doing their job, and motors that weren't moving.

The first team to get points on the score-board was Whangaparaoa's team '**Barracuda**', followed soon afterwards by a team from Mahurangi College.

Whangaparaoa's team '**Eels**' soon added their first score to the tally, taking the 2nd place spot from Mahurangi. As the challenges got tougher, with electronic components and motors being added to structures, the Barracuda's showed they were up to the task and remained in 1st or 2nd place for most of the competition. The Eels were right on their heels.

At the end of the night, after 2½ hours of building, thinking, connecting parts and sweating, the final buzzers were pushed. Andrew Thiele, the event leader, asked the competitors "who achieved tonight more than they thought they would at the beginning of the evening?" Every single competitor raised their hand. Well done to all the competitors who learned from their failures, and kept their cool under the pressure. You are all winners as you exceeded your own expectations. The final results were: 4th place for the Whangaparaoa Eels, and 3rd place to the Whangaparaoa Barracuda, who secured a place in the Semi-finals for their region in December.

For more pics, click [here](#)

Armageddon Expo

Twenty-five learners and ten adults went to the Armageddon Expo 2018 and had an exciting Labour Day, instead of a walk on the beach or spring-cleaning our houses.

There was so much to see and so much to do at the Expo!



We were greeted by many cosplayers and stall owners, who were just as interested in movies, TV shows, games, comics, and fabulous technology as we were. We all had an amazing time!

For more pics, click [here](#)

Congratulations

Three of our fantastic Year 13 learners, **Aria Fuller**, **Lucy Cooper** and **Caitlin Snep** attended an award ceremony over the weekend, where they were presented with the Queen's Guide Award, the highest ranking award in Girlguiding.

Well done on this final achievement girls, showing great motivation and commitment.



Sport

A big congratulations to **Summer Bourne** and **Christiale Foua**, who competed in the Tag World Cup in the U16 Girls team, and brought home Bronze! What an achievement!



Well done to our two **Tag** teams who attended the Auckland Champs, with the girls bringing home Bronze and the boys placing 7th!

Congratulations to **Ariana Hunt**, who has qualified to play in the 2018 Primary-Intermediate School Tennis Finals in Wellington! She has also been selected to represent Tennis Northern in the 2019 National Junior Team event in Christchurch, in January. Well Done Ariana!



Year 7 & 8 Athletics Champions 2018

Year 7 Boys:

- 1st Kevin Aaron
- 2nd Callum De La Rue
- 3rd Hiden Snowden

Year 8 Boys:

- 1st J'Me-Ray Denney
- 2nd Parma Walker
- 3rd Isaac Brown

Year 7 Girls:

- 1st Jordan McKenzie
- 2nd Noelani Roberts
- 3rd Scarlet Halliday

Year 8 Girls:

- 1st Kayley Alsweiler
- 2nd Jemma Day
- 3rd Ariana Hunt

From the Nurse

"One for Her" is a charitable organisation that supplies sanitary items so no female has to miss time off school due to her period. The contacts in our school are the school nurses, Alexis and Chrissy. Learners can pop in to the school health clinic and be provided with a regular supply of sanitary items.

www.mycup.co.nz are also offering school learners waste-free Period Kits for \$20.00, (RRP is \$50.00).

This will save you money on purchasing sanitary items.

The kit includes:

- 1 x teen Mycup Menstrual Cup (NZ made)
- 2x reuseable pads
- 1x set of instructions
- 1x waste-free period book
- 1x pack of 5 Miltons Tablets

Please see the school nurse to place an order.

Lockers

Be in quick – limited lockers available.

If you wish to reserve a locker for 2019 or keep your current locker, you will need to fill in an online order form at www.stowawaylockers.co.nz as soon as possible.

stowaway Lockers



If you no longer require your locker for 2019, please let us know by email info@stowawaylockers.co.nz. You will need to return your key at the end of the term, sellotaped to a piece of paper that has your details on it, for your bond refund. Ensure the locker is left empty, as any remaining items will be disposed of at the end of the year.

Keys will need to be received within one week of Term 4 ending, and can be posted to: **Stowaway Lockers, 220 Ngunguru Road, RD3, Whangarei 0173.** Refunds will be direct credited to your bank account in January 2019.

Upcoming Events

November	22	Year 7 Maritime Museum Trip, 7SMM/7WLL POD Learners Trip, Massey
	22-25	Waterpolo North Island Junior Champs
	23	Top Team Zone Day, Birkdale School
	26	Year 9 Community Service Year 8 HPV2, Room J28
	27	French Bakery Trip, Browns Bay Boys Beach Volleyball Zone Day
	28	Kickstart Session 3 & Parent/Caregiver Session
	29	Year 7 Maritime Museum Trip, 7TOWL/7KMJ
	30	Last day NZQA Exams
December	1-2	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze, Kauaeranga Valley
	3	Year 10 Community Service Year 7&8 EPro8 Semi-final, Glenfield Intermediate
	4	Excellence Prizegiving, Auditorium, 6.30 pm
	5	Year 7&8 EPro8 Grand-final, Mt Roskill Intermediate Year 7&8 Beach Carnival
	7	7JAR Visit to RSA
	10	Leavers Dinner
	11	7JAR delivering RSA bags
	12	Last Day of Term 4, School closes at 12.30 pm

For more information from our school calendar please see [Quick Links](#)

ASB Supporting Whangaparaoa College

If you are a parent, staff member or a member of the school community and draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate \$500.00 to your chosen participating school.

Contact your local Whangaparaoa ASB Branch on 09 421 9810 for further information on great home loan rates and how you can help support Whangaparaoa College with a \$500.00 donation (see following ad).



Supporting success in your school.

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\$500

ASB
ONE STEP AHEAD

Lending criteria and terms apply to home loans. Fees may apply. Eligibility criteria: documentation of the facility agreement must be done by 30 June 2019; mention of this promotion must take place during the home loan application process to ensure eligibility. Only applicable to loans which are secured by residential owner-occupied property with a minimum of 20% equity required; excludes lending through brokers; Limited to one donation per customer. Donation will be made to chosen school on complete draw down of the home loan. For full eligibility criteria, exclusions and further details see <https://www.asb.co.nz/promotions/supporting-success-in-your-school.html>ASB Bank Limited 56290 02478A 0718

Community Notices

DO YOU HAVE ANY SCHOOL UNIFORM YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE??

If you have any uniform that is no longer required and you would like to donate it to the school, we would gratefully appreciate any that is in reasonable condition.

Any donated uniform received, is passed on to families who require some support with school uniform, and any items we can give them are always greatly appreciated.

Thank you.



LAST EVER POP – UP STORE

NZ Uniforms will be on site at Whangaparaoa College in the auditorium foyer for two days for the last ever pop-up store.

Tuesday 15 January – 10.00 am to 7.00 pm

Wednesday 16 January – 9.00 am to 3.00 pm

For further information or online uniform purchases;

Ph: (09) 477 6300

Email: albany@nzuniforms.com

Website: www.nzuniforms.com

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When?

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After hours treatments can be arranged at Coast Physio Whangaparaoa

To make an appointment or discuss your needs
Phone / txt 021 187 3299 or Coast Physio 424 1309

Proud To Support WGPC Sports Teams



WE ALL NEED SUPPORT SOMETIMES

If you have need for food or company

Join us for a FREE Community Meal

WHERE?

Church Hall, St John the Evangelist Catholic Church
180, Centreway Road, OREWA

WHEN?

Last Monday of each month at 12.30pm

There IS such a thing as a free lunch!

ABOUT US



Serving Spoons is a volunteer initiative of the Hibiscus Coast Catholic Parish.

Our mission is to help reduce the number of hungry or lonely people in our community.

We welcome people of all faiths and none, to join us for our free community lunches.

We are proud to work with Community Meal Provider LOVE SOUP on this project.



SERVING SPOONS

NEXT COMMUNITY LUNCHES

- MONDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2018 - 12.30PM
- MONDAY 10 DECEMBER 2018 - 12.30PM - CHRISTMAS LUNCH
- THE TEAM WILL TAKE A BREAK UNTIL MONDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2019





Casual workers needed

Love kids?



APPLY TODAY!

Coast Sitters is your local and trusted babysitting and nannying service on the Hibiscus Coast. We are always looking to grow our awesome team of enthusiastic and caring in-home childminders. If you'd love a part-time job that fits in with YOU, connects you with amazing families, and helps build your CV in more ways than one, we'd love to hear from you!

MUST HAVE:

- Full driver's license
- Passionate about working with kids
- Buckets of enthusiasm
- Mobile device
- Live locally (we service Gulf Harbour to Silverdale/Dairy Flat)

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