

Greetings Everyone,

All the property works around the school are coming to an end and things are returning to normal. Our carpark has been upgraded, fencing completed, and four of the six main block classrooms have been fully refurbished. The remaining two should be completed and the satellite classes should be back in their rooms in the next two weeks.

Much of this work has been safety related, and to assist us, we ask that all parents comply with two requests. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

1. Despite having more room, the school carpark is still for staff and delivery vehicles only. Parents, **please do not use the carpark** before or after school to drop off or pick up your children.
2. From 9.15am to 2.45pm, the school gates will be closed (particularly for the safety of our satellite class children). Parents, please shut the gates behind you during school hours.

### **Healthy Eating**

Getting kids involved, helps them learn about good food.

By helping to cook, they develop new skills and are more likely to try the foods they make. Plus... the sooner they start, the faster they can give you a helping hand in the kitchen!

Tips on getting kids involved with preparing food.

- Start off with the easy stuff, like washing vegetables, or getting food out for the meal.
- Choose a time when it's easier for you to show them, like at the weekend.
- Get them involved in choosing the meal they'll be preparing.
- Be prepared to spend more time helping your child as they learn.

### **Impetigo / School Sores**

There have been a number of children coming to school with impetigo sores. This is highly contagious and children are often in close contact at school. We ask that you seek medical advice and keep your child at home until the sores have dried up.

Impetigo is usually quickly managed with antibiotics, and keeping the sores covered will help prevent cross contamination.

### **Principal's Awards**

Congratulations to the following children who recently received Principal's Awards at our school assembly.

*Daniel Hammond* for great improvement in Reading and Writing.

*Jahkobi Harris* for always producing excellent work and being an excellent role model.

*Tegan Ellis* for exceptional effort with her homework.

### **Teacher Only Day**

This is being held on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June. All our teaching staff will be joining teachers from Hora Hora, Whangarei Primary and Whangarei Intermediate School for a two day conference (Friday and Saturday) which will focus on Engaging our Students in Literacy. There will be no school for our students on Friday June 19<sup>th</sup>. Further reminders will be sent.

On the Thursday evening prior to the Teacher Only day, parents are invited to a focus evening on helping children stay engaged at school.

Kind regards  
David Prchal  
Principal