Term One 5th April 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We hope you had a great break over Easter, the weather was beautiful and it was great to spend time with family and friends. This has been a short week.

Learning Conversations

These are on today, thank you to the families who have organised times to meet with the teachers. We have had a great response with 70% of all families attending. These conversations are about setting goals for the rest of the year-teachers have been busy assessing students current levels of achievement and have planned programmes to meet their learning needs. These are not reports on student achievement. They are short-10minutes please stick to the times.

Final Week – Activities

Next week is the final week for this term

Monday 9th April: BoT meeting at 7:30pm in the staff room.

Thursday 12th April: We have an amazing afternoon planned for next Thursday celebrating the

Commonwealth Games. Our House Leaders have planned the games and activities- it will be fun. Everyone is welcome. We will start at 1:30pm.

Friday 13th April: Last day of the term, school ends at 3pm and the bus will run as usual.

Lost Property

We have a great mound of lost property which continues to grow daily. This will be on display on Thursday 12th & Friday 13th. Please check it out as we will dispose of anything left after Friday 13th April.

Swimming Pool Keys

Please return your swimming pool keys as soon as you can. The pool is now officially closed for the season. It has been a great summer and many families have made extensive use of the pool.

Advance Notice: Term 2- Zoo Overnight 29th May

Rooms 2 & 3 are planning an overnight visit to the Hamilton Zoo on Tuesday 29th May followed by a day of activities on Wednesday 30th May. This is advance notice so you can organise to take time off if you plan to accompany them, numbers will be limited. More information next term.

Camp Fundraisers: Easter Eggs

This was very successful with just a few boxes / monies outstanding. Many students now have a credit of \$20 or more toward their camp fees. Next term we are planning a **Mama's Donut** fundraiser. Yum!

If you have further ideas for fundraising for camp please let us know as we want to make it as low in cost as possible.

Please take advantage of our pre-pay system by paying a small amount each week – this makes it so much more affordable. Satbant keeps very detailed records of all payments. We are able to assist families, see Trish in Term 3 to discuss this.

Firewood



The PTA have a large amount firewood already to go for this winter. It will need to be picked up.

\$100 per cubic metre

This wood has been given to us by **Woodlands. Thank** you for the donation.

PTA and BoT members have been busy chopping for a few weeks now.

Text: Nick 0277045323 (please do not ring)

Save the Date

Saturday night 30th June

PTA fundraiser. Our annual get together





WHITIKAHU

What would you prefer:

BINGO or QUIZ night

Place your vote on the Whitikahu School PTA Facebook page.

Key Dates For Term 1:

5th April: Learning Conversations

13th April: End Of Term 1 30th April: Term 2 Starts

EASTER RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following winners for the Easter raffle:

Easter basket was won by Marie Care

and Easter biscuits tins were won by

Makuini Wilson and Skyla Clarke

We would like to thank the PTA for organising this raffle.



Student Of The Week

- **Room 1: Gabrielle Webster** for participating competively in and out of the classroom.
- **Room 2: Phoebe Barker** *for hearing most sounds in words when Writing.*
- **Room 3: Hannah Best** for always being positive and working hard.
- **Room 4: Matthew Cunningham** for setting consistently high senior standards.

We would like to welcome to Whitikahu School Paige Adams in Room 2.



ANZAC DAY SERVICE 'Lest we Forget"

What: Commemoration Service and

Community Luncheon

When: Wednesday 25 April 2018

Time: 10 a.m.

Where: Gordonton Community Hall & Cenotaph



The service will include reading the local Rolls of Honour, laying of wreaths, singing the national anthem, the 'Last Post' and prayers .

The service will be followed by a community luncheon.