



# WHITIKAHU SCHOOL

**‘Holo pe tu’u he ko e ngalu e fasi’**

*Stand firm and the waves will break.*

**A Tongan saying that reminds us to be patient and good will come.**

Mālō e lelei kakatoa Whitikahu School Community,

Tongan Language Week, Week 6 has come and gone in the blink of an eye!

The sunshining weather and spring feeling in the air is a welcomed sight by our learners. Kaahu Pango and the Year 5 students in Piirere completed their in-class speech assessments today, and final selections have now been made for Whitikahu representatives to compete at the Eastern Waikato Country School and Waikato Full Primary School Association competitions. These will be held at Puketaha School on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September commencing no later than 6:15pm. We are very proud of all our students who delivered a public speech in front of their peers and teachers. It is not an easy task to write and deliver a speech and we are impressed with the great talent we have at Whitikahu! Following the Piako Festival information is a list of participants for our Whitikahu Speech Night.

Next week we are also attending the Piako Festival being held at the Morrinsville Events Centre. Each student has received a permission slip for the event, more details below:

### ***Piako Festival***

Next Thursday on the 28th of August our whole school will be attending the Piako Festival being held in Morrinsville at the Morrinsville Events Centre. Piirere and Kaahu Pango students will be performing at the festive to represent our school. **They will perform at 12:50pm**

### ***Each student requires:***

School T-Shirt  
Tidy black pants, shorts or a skirt  
Packed morning tea and lunch  
Drink bottle

### ***Daffodil Day***

***Yellow Day - Please all wear yellow in support of the Cancer Society***

Next Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of August we are celebrating Daffodil Day in support of the Cancer Society. A gold coin donation would be appreciated.

# Term 3 – WEEK 6



# WHITIKAHU SCHOOL

## **Whitikahu Speech Night**

**When:** Wednesday the 27th of August

**Venue:** Whitikahu Hall

**Time:** 6pm to 7pm

The students that will be sharing their speeches on the night are listed below:

Year 1 - Louise Norton: My special person - Eddie

Year 2 - Desmond Jacobs: My cousin Lochlan

Year 3 - Delaney Gasnier: My Nanny

Year 4 - Cameron Going: Pandas

Year 4 - Luke Clark: Rubik's Cube

Year 4 - Kyle McDonald: How to get your parents to buy you stuff

Year 4 - Maddison Henry: Butterflies

Year 4 - Hayley Hodel: Deadliest animals

Year 5 - Ayla-Skyla Wade: Friendship

Year 5 - Dylan Smith: Why you should do Ag Day

Year 5 - Harry Norton: Why it is better to grow your own vegetables

Year 6 - Petra Do Vale: Why junk food is bad for you

Year 6 - Stella Gofton: Pollution

Year 6 - Callum Ward: Global Issues

Year 6 - Michael Gillum-Long: Pollution needs to stop

Year 7 - Hannah Husband: Turtles

Year 7 - Carter McDonald: Don't judge a book by its cover

Year 8 - Sophia Do Vale: Social comparison

Year 8 - Liam Gofton: Why people should stop switching from sheep farming to cow farming

Our Year 5 to 8 students have the opportunity to represent our school at the Eastern Waikato Speech Competition and the Waikato Full Primary School Speech Competition on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2025.



# Students of the Week

## Week 6

### Koohanga (Our Nest ~ Years 0-3)

Nathan Coleman For great determination during all our art projects.

Louise Norton For amazing speech writing and sharing.

### Piirere (Our Fledglings ~ Years 4-5)

Harry Norton For putting time, care and effort into writing and presenting a speech.

### Kaahu Pango (Our Senior Hub ~ Years 6-8)

Hannah Going For showing commitment and dedication to producing an engaging speech.

### Deputy Principal Award

Hulio Do Vale For showing engagement, positive and embracing all the new learning experiences during Kapa Haka.





# Dates To Remember

- 27th August: Whitikahu School Speech Night
- 28<sup>th</sup> August: Piako Festival – Morrinsville
- 31<sup>st</sup> August: Kaahu Pango Fundraising BBQ at Bunnings Te Rapa
- 4<sup>th</sup> September: Whitikahu School FIFA Tournament
- 11<sup>th</sup> September: Whitikahu Young Farmers
- 18<sup>th</sup> September: WFPSA Speech Finals – Ohaupo School
- 19<sup>th</sup> September: Term 3 Ends

## HAMILTON CITY GYMNASTICS

### Spring Holiday Programme

Fun, active holiday programme! Each day includes: gymnastics, trampolines, teambuilding activities, group challenges, art projects, board games, quiet activities and more...  
AND we are OSCAR accredited

Monday 22nd September - Friday 3rd October

**\$68 Full Day 8.00am - 5.30pm**

**\$52 School Day 8.30am - 3.00pm**



**Ages 5 - 13 Years**

**Craft of the Day**

<b>Monday</b>	Mini Swinging Gymnasts
<b>Tuesday</b>	DIY Bracelets
<b>Wednesday</b>	Spring Flowers
<b>Thursday</b>	Baby Chick Painting
<b>Friday</b>	HCG Spring Bee Day / Movie Day

  

<b>Monday</b>	Sheep Finger Puppets
<b>Tuesday</b>	HCG Daffodil Day
<b>Wednesday</b>	Make your own Medal
<b>Thursday</b>	Water Bottle Flowers
<b>Friday</b>	Movie Day

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