

Please Note

School is closed this Friday and Monday for the Easter break. We are also closed Tuesday next week for the Easter Weekend. This is a nationally recognised school holiday.

A big Warm Thornton Welcome To

Te Rangi, Travis, Florence, Ekamdeep and Darius

Happy Birthday to our March birthday children

Charlie, Lily-Jane, Henry, Jayden B, Indie, Ruby, Korban, Adara, Fabian, Florence, Dillan, Willow, Brayden, Isobel, Ekamdeep and Rebecca.



Top School Team and Top School Cheerleaders

Congratulations to our Top School team: Rebecca, Hinemoa, Charlie, Natalie, Madison, Ruben, Abel, Reef, James, and Dylan M.

Give me a 'T', give me an 'H', give me an 'O', give me an 'R', give me an 'N', give me a 'T', give me an 'O', Give me an 'N'. What have we got 'Thornton'!!

Well done to our cheerleaders: Adara, Gurman, Eli, Amelia, Lilla, Beau, Hadley, Aurora, Libby, Khloee, Aradia, Lydia, Emily, Isabella, Morgan who cheered and chanted and championed and came second equal. Well done!

Zerowaste



Rachel is teaching the Zero Waste Education programme which is about educating children about the topic of sustainable resource.

It enables children to investigate the link between the earth's natural resources, the products they use and see around them, and the resulting waste that pollutes our environment. All classes have Rachel in their classroom last week.

River Festival

Thank you to those families for coming along to the Lions River Festival. Also, a big thanks to the team of helpers on the school food stall. We raised \$600 for our school and had a lot of fun doing it.

Well done to our team who won the Teddy Bear Race: Charlie, James, Ruben, Abel, Micaela, and Alisha.

A big thanks to parents: Freddie, Gurpreet, Ross, Harley, Stephen, and Rebekah who competed in the Tug of War and won \$200 for our school.



Swimming Sports

Our school swimming sports was a fun day and the weather was kind. Well done to our swimmers who participated fairly and supported each other.

Well done to Zandre who went forward and competed in the EBOP Swimming Championships.

The swimming pool is closed for the season.

Mobile Dental Clinic

The date has changed for the dental clinic. It will now be at school from the beginning of next term - Monday 3 May.

Colouring Competition

The winners of the Marra Builders Colouring competition were: Room 1 - Cole, Room 2 - Lilla, Room 4 - Kensy, Room 6 - Finn, Room 5 - Zandre and Room 3 - Zariah.

Room 6 Camp

Room 6 students had a brilliant camp in Turangi. Our students learned lots about their science topic - water. We enjoyed our trip.



Saturday Soccer - Plains Junior Football 2021 Registrations

Our school affiliates with the Plains Junior Football Club for Saturday football. Players - girls and boys from 5 to 13 years. Register for the 2021 season. Registration forms can be collected from the school office or downloaded from our App.

Any queries feel free to contact Scott Holmes 0272245470 or email plainsjfc@gmail.com

A Wonderful Offer from Gurpreet Singh

Gurmi's dad, Gurpreet is a real estate agent with Property Brokers. Gurpreet has offered the school a wonderful fundraising opportunity. If you buy or sell your house through Gurpreet at Property Brokers, he will give a special gift package for the whanau and \$500 for Thornton school upon settlement. You can contact Gurpreet on 0211610004.

Thank you Gurpreet for your generous offer.

Interschool Touch

Year 4 to Year 8 students (Rooms 3, 5 and 6) will be in Thornton School touch teams competing in the Awakeri Touch competition on **Thursday 15 April** - the last week of the term.

The children need to wear their school uniform shirts and either their uniform shorts or black shorts and their school polar fleece/jacket and will be playing in bare feet, sandshoes, or touch shoes (no boots). Children will need lunch and a drink, sunscreen, and a hat.

They will be playing 6 aside, with rolling subs and mixed teams. Games are 14 minutes, two 7 minute halves.

This is a fun day with a focus on participation and enjoyment. No scores or results will be kept. Students are being taught the rules at school.

Each class requires a referee and a manager for each team. The games are the standard touch rules and non-competitive.

Individual classes will only be able to go if we have enough parent support.

We require transport to and from Awakeri, leaving school at 9.10am and leaving Awakeri at 2.20pm to be back at school by 2.45pm. Games begin at 9.45am.

We need a manager to help the teachers with the organisation of each of our teams and parents to help referee please. We would really appreciate your support.

Please fill in the form for transport and support and send back to school or reply via the school app.

Awakeri Touch Competition - Thursday 15 April 2021

Childs name: _____

I give permission for my child to attend the touch competition Yes/No

I am able / unable to take transport to Awakeri and back for _____ children.

I am able to be a team manager Yes/No

I am able to be a referee Yes/No

Signed: _____

Fun4U Day

Students from **Rooms 1, 2 and 4** will be taking part in a Fun4U Sports Day run by Sports BOP at the Edgecumbe Domain on **Thursday 8 April**.

We will be leaving school at 9.30am and will return by 1pm.

Children need to wear their uniform shirts and shorts or skorts, school polar fleece or jacket and suitable covered footwear (sandshoes/sneakers).

Children need to wear a hat and bring a good morning tea, lunch and a water bottle.

We require parent support and transport with booster seats for the under 7 year olds.

Please fill in the form for transport and support and send back to school or reply via the school app.

Fun Sports Day - Thursday 8 April

Child's Name: _____

I give permission for my child to attend the Fun Sports day Yes / No

I can provide transport for _____ children Yes / No

My child is under 7 years old and I will provide them with their booster seat Yes / No

I can stay and help supervise Yes / No

Signed: _____

Thornton School Van



A big thank you to Edgcumbe Lions Club, The Southern Trust, The Lion Foundation, Grassroots Trust, Rotary Club of Whakatane, and Heikell's Transport for our school van.

Term 1 Dates

1 - 6 April	Easter Break	Whole School
Thursday 8 April	Fun4U Day	Year 1 - 4 students
Thursday 15 April	Interschool Touch	Year 5 - 8 students
Friday 16 April	Term One Ends	
Monday 3 May	Term 2 Starts	

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