

FOXTON BEACH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2019

Welcome to Week 8 of Term 3

This week is a very busy week for our children with a number of big events happening. On Tuesday the singing and ukulele groups performed for the Foxtton Beach Women's Institute. The children's flower artwork was on display at the Flower Show. Both the junior and senior kapa haka groups performed at Manawatu College as part of the annual Kerekere Kapa Haka festival on Wednesday.

With all of these groups there has been a huge amount of support from parents. Each group has been tutored by our parents and there has also been a huge amount of support from other parents helping out behind the scenes or helping with costumes etc. The support we get from parents is amazing and it is yet another example of how everyone gets in to make things happen.

While the school winter sports season has come to an end, a number of our students are currently playing in rep teams or are training for tournaments that will be happening during the next school holidays. We wish all our students the best of luck.

Staffing Update

Unfortunately we have been unable to find an experienced replacement teacher for Hannah Rowland who is leaving us at the end of Term 3. I am still trying to find another teacher to cover a couple of days a week with Kitty Harrison or it will be me teaching Room 2.

School Accounts

Over the next few weeks we will be touching base with parents to discuss how we can tidy up school accounts. If your child has chosen to play a sport then this will be charged to your account. There are technology fees for Yr 7 and 8 students as they get to take home things that they have made. There are also uniform and stationery items that need to be settled too. Please look at setting up an automatic payment or we now have eftpos so you can come in and pay things off straight away.

Term 4

At the moment we are starting back at school on the 14th of October, there is Labour Day on Monday the 28th of October and we will finish for the year on the 11th of December. This will be the day of our final assembly too. This is just a heads up so parents can work around these dates if they are planning anything.

Sports Uniforms

If you still have a uniform at home it we'd appreciate them being returned to school before we stock take.

Hamish Stuart,
Principal

*Year 8 Leavers Dinner Mufti Day
Friday 13th September.*

Our Year 8's are fundraising for their leaving dinner at the end of the year. Please support them with a gold coin donation.

12 Sept	Sports Team Photos 9 am Home & School Meeting 6.30pm
13 Sept	Assembly, 9 am Mufti Day
18 Sept	Junior Cross Country 12.50 pm
23 Sept	Board Meeting 5.30 pm
24 Sept	Sausage Sizzle
25 Sept	Interschool Cross Country
27 Sept	Assembly, 9 am



Kotare Hub

Spring time! We are one step closer to warmer weather. We have been busy working away on lots of fun and interesting things this term.

What has been on top for us:

- ★ Keeping Ourselves Safe
- ★ Our art creations for the Flower Show
- ★ Maths - looking at patterns and relationships, measurement and number
- ★ Reading and Writing
- ★ Pause, Breath, Smile
- ★ ICT - green screens and bee bots

Reminders:

- ★ Our Junior cross country date is:
Date: Wednesday 18th September
Time: First race is at: 12.50 pm
Where: Holben Parade
- ★ Clearly name your child's polo fleece to avoid them getting lost and mixed up with others.
- ★ Room 2 and 3 homework books back in on a Friday please.

Kotare Awards

Lucas H - for being organised and ready for learning.
Molly J - being able to share her own ideas in class.

Tarānui Hub

As always at this time of the term, everyone's batteries are starting to get low - hang in there, only a few weeks to go! We have had a lot going on that's for sure! **Cross Country** - some great training and racing on the day from our children. **Kapa Haka** - a massive effort put in from our children involved in this which paid off this week. **The Flower Show** - amazing work from our children creating their entries for the show and also our singers who came along to entertain the ladies.

Our Writing

We have completed a range of writing so far this term. Miss Lock's literacy class have done some writing about their time with Tilly the dog. Here is Hadley's recount of the first time Tilly visited.

On a beautiful Wednesday, Miss Lock brought Tilly to school as a treat. She was good in class and then we went outside and we got to throw the ball.

We went halfway down the bottom field to play with Tilly. She is good at playing ball and she missed it a couple of times. She is good at jumping over things. When she sees a ball she goes crazy and runs after the ball.

I like it when she comes to school because she makes the day interesting and fun. I wish she could come to school every day. I would share my lunch with her and make sure she goes to the toilet. I wish that I had a dog.

Keeping Ourselves Safe

Our Keeping Ourselves Safe and Sexuality Education learning has wrapped up now. We hope our children feel empowered with strategies to keep themselves safe given any situation that requires this. We also hope that they have a stronger understanding of how their bodies and other aspects of their lives change over time, and the resources and people who can support them with this. A great website we recommend is the Youtline one - it has a wide range of help and resources that could be helpful if your child has any further questions. We will cover Netsafe content for the remainder of the term.

Science for Term 4

We are starting to plan work around kitchen chemistry for Term 4. If there are any family members who have expertise or connections in this field, please get in touch so that we can draw on your knowledge.

Tarānui Awards

Max and Jimmy - Thinking

Cooper H, Mekah, Hamish and Maddyn- Managing Self

R.I.C.E: Miller

Kuaka Hub

The Kuaka Hub is finishing up its last Sexuality Education session this week. We have really impressed with the engagement and mature attitude our students have shown throughout this focus and with our Keeping Ourselves Safe topic. We are moving onto a specific cyber safety unit this week which should be interesting and very relevant for our students. Our writing focus over the next two weeks is persuasive writing. We have completed a whole class piece and will now move on with the students on individual pieces of writing. Our students will aim to be persuasive in their writing by using features like rhetorical questioning, repetition, and backing up their arguments with evidence and examples.

Kuaka Awards

Piper, Ross, Hoko, Bree

Rice - Ataahua

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