

FOXTON BEACH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Tena koutou katoa

I'd like to start this terms community newsletter by acknowledging the passing of one of our parents. Sadly, Ed Winiana lost his life in an accident. The school community sends their condolences to the whanāu and we will continue to support them.

This community newsletter sees us hopefully coming to the end of Level 2 restrictions. We have had to bring these restrictions back to school again and I would like to thank all our parents for their cooperation in implementing them. We have continued to operate normally within each hub but this has stopped us getting together for much bigger events such as whole school assemblies etc.

We ran our school cross country this term and it was an amazing day. Thank you to all the parents who gave us such positive feedback, how it was run and the support our seniors showed to help the younger students on the day. I'd like to thank Paul Dodge for his cross country video. It was completely off the cuff and it captured the energy of the day.

We will also be putting out our last video that shows what is happening in each hub shortly. These have been really popular as some parents are unable to get into school due to work commitments so it is a chance to see how things are done. These videos are on our school Facebook page if you want to go back and have a look. We have had some good feedback from parents about these videos and we have also had a few enrolments for next year based on these. At the end of 2020 we will sadly be losing one of our teachers. Gabby Gloyn who teaches in Team Tarānui with Rebecca Lock is moving to Whanganui to be closer to her partner. We will give Gabby a send off at the final assembly for the year and in the meantime we will look at appointing another teacher to replace her. While there will be an occasion to thank Gabby for all her work we will definitely miss the efforts she goes to for her learners. She is also a great fit for our staff so she will be sadly missed.

This term has seen limited participation in sports by our teams. However, the sports we have taken part in we have done very well at. We have had two teams in the Year 7 and 8 basketball competition in Levin and a number of our players have made it through into the Horowhenua Basketball reps and our hockey teams have continued to do very well in the Horowhenua Competition. Both our Year 7&8 and Year 5&6 hockey teams play off for 1st and 2nd next week!

Hamish Stuart
Principal

Enrolments for 2021

The Board of Trustees invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their children at Foxton Beach School. Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which can be found on our school website.

Applications can be made in writing or by emailing the Principal, principal2@foxtonbeach.school.nz

The deadline for receipt of applications for out of zone places is **Thursday 15th October 2020.**

The Board has determined that there will be **spaces for out of zone enrolments in all years except Year 8.**

The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the schools home zone. If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot.

If a ballot is required it will be held on 30th October 2020.

Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three school days of the ballot being held.

Any queries please contact the Principal, Hamish Stuart principal2@foxtonbeach.school.nz



24 Sept
25 Sept

Last Day of Term 2.45 pm finish
Teacher Only Day

Team Kotare

Wow! What a hugely busy term we have had. This term we celebrated Matariki, set new goals and reflected on our term. We visited Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom, where we were really fortunate to have one of the knowledgeable people from the library share their knowledge about our Solar System.



Thank you to the Fire Service who came in to talk to us about our Firewise learning and knowing what to do if we see a fire.

Science has been really exciting this term! We have been working through different changes in states, linking this to real-world experiments and kitchen ingredients.



Inter-house Hockey has been heaps of fun!



Team Tarānui

Term 3 has been full of fun learning activities despite a lot of time in Covid Level 2. Our children have been lucky to have a variety of experiences. Ka pai tō mahi for all the hard work. Here are some highlights!

Turbos Visit

It was cool doing the fun activities with the Turbos - Isabella

It was awesome! I had never played rugby in my life, it was my first time. It made me like rugby and want to play more - Onyx

It was nice getting to meet the Turbos and it was cool doing the drills - Boston

It was cool to find out what clubs they played for and where the players have come from - Miller

Our children getting autographs from Manawatu Turbos player Josiah Maraku.



Cross Country

It was fun because we got to run in the mud and puddles - Sammie

It was fun trying to beat my score from last year and running through puddles - Finn

It was great running across the finish line. I loved the feeling of coming first! - Kate

The cross country was a good challenge and I tried really hard - Ruby

Kuaka Hub

This term has been another really busy term in the Kuaka Hub. Our students have done a great job presenting some of their recent learning on their term focuses on becoming Firewise and the science of fire. Our students have created movies, green screen presentations, websites and digital posters to showcase their learning. They have learned about what fire is, how fire behaves and how heat energy is transformed.

This term we have had many students involved in rep teams for basketball and hockey. This is an awesome achievement and we're really proud of the efforts these students have put in to represent their region!

Our technology sessions at Manawatu College have been going really well this term. We have included some photos from textiles.

