# FOXTON BEACH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

# 1ST SEPTEMBER 2022

#### Welcome to Week 6 of Term 3

We are now officially in spring and the weather is warming up. It has been awesome to see so many of our students outside playing games. It is really good to see our students playing games with children across the school. I saw that Mr Baker had posted some footage on our Facebook page of senior and younger students playing a game of non-stop tag. This is a special aspect of a small school. Everyone knows each other and looks out for each other.

#### **Production**

We are in full swing with production rehearsals and other organisations for the week of performances. I know the Home and School Group are organising some great raffles for people to purchase on the nights. I would like to thank the teachers and students for all the time they have put into the Production so far. It has been really hard to run full rehearsals as they have had a number of students in and out of the school with illness...... However, it will all come together on the night.

The profits from this year's production are going to go towards the senior camp which is being held at the end of the year.

The Production is on 20th to 22nd September in the school hall

All children are in the production and will need to be at school by 5.30pm for the evening performances on the Wednesday and Thursday nights.

We are expecting the production to finish by about 8 pm (we will confirm a more accurate time closer to the date); children can be picked up from their classrooms.

If your child needs an extra sleep in on Friday the 23rd after having two late nights, it's ok to send them to school late, just let us know if they are going to be late.

#### **Absences**

As we move to the end of the term we just ask that people continue to let us know via text message, phone call or email if your children are going to be away. We really need a reason for the absence as we are constantly monitoring the amount of sickness in the school. If the number of children who are away with illness continues to fall, we may be able to go without masks. Cell 027 3638331; Phone 06 3638331 or email: office@foxtonbeach.school.nz

#### Netball

I would like to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of our two netball teams. Our Yr 7 and 8 team won their competition on Saturday while the Yr 5 and 6 team came 2nd in their grade. These are outstanding efforts considering we are generally competing against schools that are much bigger than us. We have always punched above our weight with hockey, basketball and netball.

Without our coaches that showed a huge amount of commitment to coach and manage these teams through a long season, we wouldn't be in this position. A huge thanks to Hati, Tayla and Terese for all the time you put in.

### **Photos**

The last of the class photos were taken this week so it still going to be a while until you can access the school photos. We'll put a note on our facebook page when the access keys are being sent home.

Hamish Stuart Principal

# Upcoming Events

Cross Country
Production - The X Factory
End of Term 3
Out of Zone Enrolments by
Out of Zone Ballot

14th September, 10.30 am 20th-22nd September 30th September, 2.45 pm 14th October 28th October



## Enrolments for 2023

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, <u>principal2@foxtonbeach.school.nz</u>

The deadline for receipt of applications for out of zone places is **Friday 14th October 2022**.

The Board has determined that there will be up to 20 spaces for out of zone enrolments in years 1 to 5. 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 Friday 28th October 2022.

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

## **Team Kotare**

## Production Update.....

It has been really great to see all the costumes coming into the hub in named bags, we still have many overdue. Please see your classroom teacher if there are any issues ASAP.

**Team Kotare Adult helpers needed....** We will need some adults to help our Team Kotare children get ready between 5.30-6pm. If you can help with supervision, basic face painting (whiskers) or anything else that may pop up on the night you are not watching the show please put your name down with Mrs Apperley or Ms V as we will be running the hub side of things while Mrs Standish is organising the actors in the hall.

### Following Instructions...

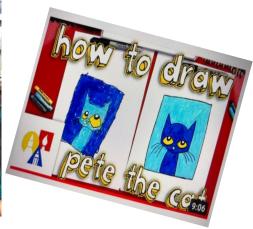
In Room 1 we have been practicing following instructions in a fun way by using the HOW TO DRAW clips on youtube. Look at some of our Pete the Cat's that we drew. He is a favourite character in Room 1.











## Special guest

Room 2 had a visit from a real motorcycle racer Mrs Standish's husband Mr Sales. He bought a couple of his trophies in and his race leathers for us to look at. Fingers crossed he might pop back for a visit later in the term with one of his race bikes!





# **Team Tarānui**

# The Mohawk

It is ok to be different. Actually it is really cool when someone is different because everyone wants the same. Like the



I THINK MOST BOYS SHOULD HAVE MOHAWKS BECAUSE THEY LOOK COOL WHEN YOU DYE THEM DIFFERENT COLOURS.

If you are a boy, and you want a change with your hair, I 100% think that you should get a mohawk!





# Our Learning

Our tamariki are becoming great persuaders and critical thinkers with some of our learning this term. One group read a text called the Mohawk, and learned about how it is ok to be different. Check out Keesha's Google Drawing sharing her learning.

# Why You Should Play Chess

Reason 1 you can teach people if they don't no how to play.

Reason 2 it does not matter if you win or lose because it is just a game.

Reason 3: you can learn all about chess and you can get into a huge challenge and win heaps and heaps of money.











Another group read about chess, and learned many reasons why it is a great game. Check our Star's Google Drawing sharing some of the reasons.

These are both examples of our students using digital technology to share their learning.

**Cross Country** is approaching very fast, so now that we are getting some nicer days, try and encourage your children to do some of their own training for this. This could link in really well with some maths, recording their time running a certain distance and seeing if they are improving. Some of our children have been lucky enough to practice their fitness at the Monday boxing sessions.

We are still missing seeing whānau in class, so will continue to say nau mae, haere mae! Come in to visit whenever you can and your child can show you their learning. They are always so proud to show things off, especially their artwork and our class Te Whare Tapa Whā display!

# Kuaka Hub

Kuaka Hub has been working on some really important work each Monday of this term. This year our hub is working with Cheryl Murphy every Monday to improve our digital fluency skills. We have developed a class website which we use to allocate weekly learning options. We are learning to use the Manaiakalani structure around Learn, Create, Share to give our students the confidence and skills to complete weekly blog posts about their learning. As well as this our students have been learning about cyber-smart thinking for online safety on topics like our digital footprints, use of social media, and thinking about what we share online. Stay tuned for next term when we start posting our student blogs to see what we've been up to. Our students have been working hard to learn their dance routines for the upcoming production. We'll aim to put more of their practice footage on the school Facebook site for you to check out.