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School News

NEW ENROLMENTS

We would like to welcome **TAYLOR CULL** and **BRIA FITZGERALD** who started in Room 1 on Monday. We wish them a happy time at Te Horo School. Our roll now stands at 116.

STAFF NEWS

Mrs Allcock is away for the first two weeks of this term. We welcomed Mrs Simpson to Room 7 on Monday and Mrs Knox for the remainder of the time Mrs Allcock is away.

From the Board of Trustees

CONGRATULATIONS

Giselle McCashin from the Victoria University has been visiting Te Horo School now for some time following the recent ERO report, assisting our teachers in some professional development in Literacy and Assessment. In a recent report to the Board of Trustees Giselle had the following to say:

"Teachers at Te Horo School are working incredibly hard to improve and refine their teaching practice in both reading and writing. They are developing sound systems of assessment and tracking achievement, and the use of modeling books provides clear evidence of the learning happening in the classes.

Teaching is a profession where continual improvement is an expectation. Teachers at Te Horo are dedicated to improving the outcomes for their students. They are willing participants in the process of professional development, and are supported by a skilled and reflective literacy leader. I expect that assessment data from a second writing sample will show improved writing achievement for most, if not all students. I am often asked to recommend classes where teachers can go to see examples of effective teaching and learning. Te Horo School provides examples of this and I would support teachers from other schools to observe the effective practice shown by teachers of Te Horo."

The Board would like to congratulate the teachers on their hard work and on receiving such a glowing report on their achievements.

New Zealand Maths Challenge

In week 6 of last term all of our students took part in the New Zealand Maths Challenge. This encouraged students to enrol on the Mathletics website and try to answer as many questions as possible in the week of the challenge. It was fantastic to see so many of our students participating with enthusiasm and commitment. At the end of last term we received a letter congratulating our school on their outstanding performance in the challenge. We were also sent certificates for our top 3 students who earned the most points during the challenge. Congratulations to everybody who took part. A special congratulations goes to Peyton Morete, Jack Gibbs and Joshua Bruce for their amazing final totals. Well done.

From the Home and School

We are still recovering from and tidying up from the School Fair/Paddy's Mart! Please get your reports in to Bobbie if you were in charge of a stall so we can file them away for next year. Also your list of people who donated produce or assistance so we can make sure all are recorded. We are asking all stallholders to send out your thank you cards - see Adele in the Office for these. We are delighted to report that we have received a grant from the Endeavour Trust for a new sandpit shade sail, and Home and School committee are purchasing a sandpit cover to go with it and organising for new sand to improve this whole play area.

For Term 4 we have a couple of activities coming up which we will let you know about soon. We are planning to have another **Christmas in Te Horo** event on **Saturday 5th December** so mark this date in your diary. This is a community event at the school with entertainment and sing-along Christmas carols which was enjoyed by over 300 people last year.

We have a **WORKING BEE** coming up at school on **Saturday 7 November from 9am** to tidy up the school grounds, trim trees, take rubbish away etc. So we need volunteers who can give us a couple of hours or more of their time and those with trailers, wheelbarrows, etc. are especially welcome. More on that later. Thanks everyone and have a great term!

17 October	Quiz Night. Yr 6 camp fundraiser
19 October	The Dominion Post 2009 New Cruise Challenge
20 October	Suzanne Prentice Concert Southwards Theatre, 7:30pm
21 October	School Photographs 9:00am
22 October	Year 6 camp desk sale Board of Trustees meeting 7:30pm in the Board Room
23 October	Otaki School Touch Tournament
27 October	Postponement date for Touch Tournament Showcase heats start
30 October	Horowhenua Blue Light Young Cyclist of the Year 2009
3 November	School Discos
7 November	Working Bee 9:00am kick off
11 November	Flower Day and Ag Night School closes at 12:30pm
17 November	Otaki School Run Jump Throw
20 November	Postponement date for RJT
18 November	Showcase Finals
25 November	Soiree Rehearsal-Bridge Lodge-All day
26 November	Soiree—2 performance 1:30pm & 6:30pm Board of Trustees meeting 7:30pm in the Board Room
5 December	Christmas in Te Horo
7-10 December	City Experience Camp for Year 6's
9-11 December	Year 5 camp
15 December	Prizegiving 6:30pm
16 December	Choir singing at Coastlands
17 December	Board of Trustees meeting 7:30pm in the Board Room
18 December	End of term 4 School closes at 12:00pm

School Photos

School Photos will be taken next **Wednesday 21st October**, starting at 9:00am. Team photos will be taken of **NETBALL, HOCKEY, SOCCER and CHOIR**. Uniforms will be issued on the day. Please can footwear be a priority this year. We would like children to bring their trainers and socks to school on Tuesday so we know that the teams will be correctly attired. We are hoping to start team photos at 9:30am and would like the coaches in these photos as well please. If you cannot attend please let the School Office know. Bar coded order envelopes were sent home last term. Please ensure these are back to the School Office before Tuesday 20th October.

Music Fees

Accounts were sent home last term as a reminder of fees owing. Please could these fees be paid as soon as possible. If you are not sure if you owe music fees please contact the School Office on 364 3071. Many thanks.

Year 6 camp Quiz Night

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This Saturday night is Quiz night. Get your team of eight sorted for a fun filled evening. Starts at 7.30pm BYO Spot prizes Te Horo Community Hall Contact Te Horo School 364 3071 or Stacey 364 3359

Happenings

Year 6 Desk Sale - Thursday 22nd October - lunchtime

Yes it is Desk Sale time again. The Year 6's will be bringing out their desks, and piling them with goodies for everyone to buy. It is a fundraising activity for their camp but regarded as a favourite by the whole school. They will be selling cakes and biscuits, popcorn, sweets, drinks, books, toys, clothes - anything really. We have a limit of \$5 on the amount the children can bring but of course they do not have to bring this much. We put this limit on after a child bought \$50 along to a desk sale several years ago!!!!

Showcase

It is that time again. The annual Te Horo School Talent Quest!!!! Showcase is an obligatory activity (sounds better than compulsory doesn't it?) for all children in the Senior School - Year 4, 5 and 6, - but children from the Junior classes are also encouraged to enter. The closing date for Junior entries is Monday 19th October. The heats are held in the lunchtimes of Weeks 3, 4 and 5 with the **Showcase Finals on the afternoon of Wednesday 18th November** to which you are all warmly invited.

We appreciate your support and encouragement with costumes, props, backdrops and make up, and of course with the quality of the performance. The singers are encouraged to find backing tapes to their songs if at all possible. A programme of the lunchtime concerts will be sent home in Week 2.

School Discos-Tuesday 3rd November

How exciting!!!! Junior Disco 4.00 until 5.30pm. Senior Disco 6.00 - 8pm. We haven't decided the theme yet but will tell you in next week's newsletter.

Suzanne Prentice

The choir plus some very keen Year 4's are off to Southwards Theatre on Tuesday 20th October to sing along with other schools on the Kapiti Coast, with Suzanne Prentice. This is always an entertaining and fun concert and Suzanne is wonderful with the audience and the children. Tickets available from Coastlands Information Kiosk.

We will be leaving school by bus at 8.55am for the rehearsal at Southwards. Please don't be late as we will go without you as time is of the essence. The cost of the bus will be \$3:00 per child. Please send this to school via the clown's mouth or if you run a school account Mrs Neville will charge the money to that.

Adult Mixed Social Basketball League – Kapiti Basketball Association

Tuesday & Wednesday nights from Tue 27th October & Wed 28th October

Games played between 6pm & 9pm at Kapiti College Gym—\$100 per team paid on registration

ONLY 12 TEAMS IN THE LEAGUE - REGISTER ASAP TO ENSURE YOUR TEAM IS ENTERED

For more information and rules and for a registration form contact the League Controller – Tania Urner 9052377 after 7pm or urner@clear.net.nz

OTAKI SURF LIFESAVING CLUB REGISTRATION/OPEN DAY

When: 1 November 2009 @ 11.00am

Where: Otaki Surf Club, Marine Parade, Otaki

Who: For all 7-13 year olds

Why: To have fun and learn about the surf and water safety in a safe environment

Come and meet our Junior Surf team Bring a plate of food for a shared lunch For any further information please contact Kirsty on 021 102 0058

MIDCENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

Child Health Forum 2009

facilitated by Community Paediatric Service

participants from health, education and social services welcome

Wednesday 21 October 2009 @ 18.00 hours

Travel Lodge, Palmerston North

The Otaki Sports Club Inc.

Junior Tennis Coaching

with Alice Wiggin

6 weeks of 1 hour lessons

(maximum of 6 children per lesson)

starting Monday 2nd November

3.30pm onwards at

Haruatai Park, Mill Road, Otaki

Cost is \$50 for the 6 lessons

payable at the first lesson

To register contact Jamie

atkinson.tennis@gmail.com or

027 573 9302

Reunion 2009

Celebrating 20 years at 1b Seddon St. Past families are invited to celebrate with us.

Wed Nov 18th 10am – Open day & Mayoral visit.

Sat Nov 21st 11-1pm – Carnival at the pre-school followed by a dinner at the Charter Club 6.30pm.

Cost \$30 per head. RSVP with payment by Oct 23rd.

Sun Nov 22nd 10.30 – Casual BYO picnic at Otaihanga Reserve.

email: waikanaemontessori@paradise.net.nz

Tel: 902-6135

\$2.00 for 6 organic grapefruit
Call Zachary Shearman on 364 3945
for an order

Kapiti Circus Halloween Extravaganza –

Saturday 31st October – Halloween. At the Kapiti Equestrian Centre, 13B Nimmo Ave West, Waikanae. Performing horses, Equestrian vaulting, International Acrobats, Trapeze, Chinese pole, Live band, Pony rides. 2 shows 1.30 pm and 6.00 pm. Adults \$15.00 Children \$10.00. (Halloween dressup encouraged).

Tickets available Information Centres Paraparaumu, Otaki and Levin and Liquidos shop 2, 3 McLean St Paraparaumu Beach. For more information check out our web page www.kapitieuquestrian.com

Our very own school pupil **Kelsey Faith** is starring in the show

O F F CENTRE PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS STARS IN OUR EYES

SATURDAY 17th October 2:00 and 7:00pm

Sunday 18th October 1:00pm and 4:00pm

@ Kapiti Playhouse, 7 Ruahine Street, Paraparaumu

Adults \$15.00 Children/Students/Senior Citizens \$10.00

Tickets Available from COASTLANDS INFORMATION DESK

Musical Director: **Choreographer:**

Director: **Alison Pond Sarsha Forbes**

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