



From the Principal



Kia ora Parents and Whanau,

Welcome

We welcome Georgia Gray who started in Room 1 on Tuesday. We hope Georgia and her family enjoy their time with us at Te Horo. Our school roll is now at 128.

Kapiti Schools Triathlon

Yesterday the Year 7 students attended the Kapiti Schools Triathlon at Waikanae Park. It was an excellent experience for our kids who thoroughly enjoyed the competition, hustle and bustle and thrill of athletes running, biking and swimming around the course. It included a 1.5km run, 6km bike ride and 5 lengths of the Waikanae Pool. A measure of the success was the comments by our children who are all keen to be involved again next year! It was also a great opportunity for our 12 students to compete against the much bigger schools and push them hard. The results follow:

Boys Team – **River, Cullum, Reuben** = 8th place

Boys Team- **Jackson, Devon, Gregor** = 10th place

Mixed Team- **Becky, Alex, Kelsey** = 5th place

Mixed Team- **Mitchell, Monique, Abby** = 8th place

Thank you to the parents who took transport and came along to cheer the kids on!

Room 2 Teacher

We can now officially announce that **Mrs GILLIAN JOHNSON** is the new teacher for Room 2 starting next term. Gillian is currently working at Koraunui School in Stokes Valley. Gillian is a very experienced teacher and has strengths in literacy and numeracy. She lives on the coast and is looking forward to joining our school. Gillian is coming for a 'school visit' next Tuesday.

Condolences

Our thoughts are with **Jamie and Nicky Allcock** with the sad loss of Jamie's father who passed away on Monday night. Nicki is having a few days off school and will be back tomorrow.

Swimming Sports

Unfortunately the swimming sports was postponed today at 12:00noon due to high PH levels in the Haruatai Pool. We will now hold these sports **NEXT WEDNESDAY 24th, SAME TIME, SAME PLACE**. Hope to see you all there. Many thanks to Mrs Allcock for organising the event and good luck to all the students for next week.

Beach Day-Thursdays 25 March

Next week the school will be having a beach day at Te Horo Beach. The theme is 'cooperation, relationships and working together'. There will be a variety of activities and the opportunity to swim (weather providing). Further details to follow.

BOT Elections - '*Strong Leaders Make Strong Schools!*'

Our communities need great boards to help build great schools.

Trustees are active leaders in our schools and we need more people willing to use their skills and experiences for the benefit of students.

Trustees have an important role supporting strong professional leadership and effective teaching for all students through informed governance.

Both parents and people from throughout the wider community can be school trustees. It is important that boards represent the diversity of their school communities to ensure a bright future for our children. The elections also give parents of children at state and state integrated schools the opportunity to vote for candidates who will make a difference for their schools. It is an important responsibility and all eligible parents should use their vote in an informed way.

"Board members are entrusted by the community to ensure the success of our schools and a bright future for our children. We need an education system where all children are expected to succeed and one where we all take shared responsibility in ensuring this happens. As a member of a school board you can make things happen – you can make a difference."

Election date is 7 May 2010

Home and School

Thank you to the many parents who attended last night's AGM and Meeting. Thank you and congratulations to our officers; **Jacqui Simpson – Chairperson** **Kylie Morete – Secretary** **Jacqui Shearman – Treasurer**
We appreciate the wonderful support the Home and School committee provides the school and look forward to the many exciting events that are planned for the year.

Last thoughts....

'Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind.' Dr Sues

Craig Vidulich (Principal)

Coming Events

23 March	Hearing and Vision 9:15am
25 March	Theme Day-Beach
26 March	Katrina Grant (Silver Ferns) to work with Year 3-7 students
1 April	TERM ONE ENDS!
19 April	TERM 2 BEGINS
28 April	Cosmetic Night (more details later)
11 May	Otaki School's Cross Country
14 May	Postponement date for Cross Country
20 May-12 Aug	Netball starts for a 10 week season
15 June	Otaki School's Soccer
18 June	Postponement date for Soccer
25 June	Barn Dance
2 July	TERM TWO ENDS!
Term 3	
19 July	TERM 3 BEGINS
24 August	Otaki School's Rippa Rugby
27 August	Postponement date for Rippa Rugby
11th September PADDY'S MART	
24 September	TERM 3 ENDS
Term 4	
11 October	TERM FOUR BEGINS
19 October	Otaki School's Touch
22 October	Postponement date for Touch
30 October	Octobefest (more details later)
16 November	Otaki School's Athletics
19 November	Postponement date for Athletics
17 December	TERM FOUR ENDS!

From the Home and School

As promised last week, attached is the order form for the yummy Brumbys Hot Cross Bun fundraiser the school is running.

As you will see, for 6 buns of either Traditional or Chocolate the cost is \$6.80c. Both varieties freeze well so your hunger for Easter buns can be satisfied long after Easter has been.

The last day for placing orders is Friday 26 March. Please place orders with all monies, into the clowns mouth before close of school on this day. Orders are to be collected from school on Tuesday 30 March (after school) or, sent home with your child if they catch the school bus. Please indicate which on the order form.

There will be a prize for the largest order obtained by a child so get door knocking and telephone ringing and get those orders!!

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Student Achievement

Congratulations to **Zach Shearman's** softball team - "Kapiti Tigers" winning the Western Bay 2009/2010 U11's league! A tough season with lots of travel, week-end tournaments and nervous nail biting! On the 20 March they play a game in Haitaitai against the Miramar Astros for the title of "Lower North Island Best U11s team". We wish them lots of luck
Kapiti Tigers Support Team

Students of the Week



Room 1	BRIA FITZGERALD for giving it 5.
Room 3	BRIAR HUGHES for amazing attitude and Reading. DAYTON HAKARAIA for amazing Maths.
Room 2	PEYTON MORETE and EMMA JOSS for working consistently well at Reading time
Room 7	JACK GIBBS for being a good listener and getting on with his work.
Room 8	ZACHARY SHEARMAN for his thoughtful comments in class discussion.
Room 5	JESSICA ZAGROBELNA for carrying out tasks in a responsible manner and showing initiative in a variety of situations.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Portfolios

Portfolios will be coming home shortly, but unfortunately some have not found their way back to school. If you still have your child's portfolio at home please return it to the class teacher as soon as possible. Thank you.

Community Notices

Manakau Country School Family Music Festival

(A Fundraising Event for Manakau School's
Library Resources)

*Manakau School, 9 Mokena Kohere Street,
Manakau Village, Horowhenua*

Sunday, 21st March 2010

1 – 6pm

* 4 Fantastic Music Acts *

Hurricane Shayn Wills

Against the Grain

Legal Tender Band

Hen Picked

Family Entry \$10 * Single Entry \$5

Bring your blanket and picnic dinner

BBQ & Coffee available

Smoke Free Environment

Kāpiti Coast District Plan Review

The Kāpiti Coast District Plan is an important regulatory document for future land use and development in the District. Kāpiti Coast District Council is currently reviewing the District Plan and the first stage is to identify which topics need to be reviewed. The Council has recently released a Scoping Discussion Document suggesting topics for review and is seeking your opinion.

Does your child want to play rugby? It is not too late!

Rahui Junior Rugby Club will be holding one final registration evening on Tuesday the 30th of March, 6pm@ the Rahui Clubrooms. This will be followed at 7pm with a meeting for all registered players parents and coaches to discuss the upcoming season. All welcome! If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call Megan on 0274814599 or 3687914 or via email:

hyepark@clear.net.nz This is for all players U7 to Under 13 as @ the 1st of January, 2010.



'Can Your Child Swim . . . Will They Survive?'

SwimMagic Swim School Lessons are on offer in our nice warm pools at Otaki Pool during the April School Holidays and in Term 2 2010.

Holiday dates: *Tuesday 6th April – Saturday 10th April and Monday 13th April –*

Friday 17th April Cost: \$50 per week

Term 2 dates: *Monday 24th May – Saturday 3rd July 2010*

Term 2 is only 6 weeks as the pool will be closed for its annual maintenance from 19th April so take advantage of our holiday swimming lessons. To book your swimming lessons Contact Kimra on 3645542

The Kapiti Gymnastics Club will be holding Open Days for children who wish to try out cheerleading –

Wednesday, 24 March from 6.30-8.00 pm for children 12 and over; and Saturday, 27 March from 3.00-4.30 pm for children aged 6-11 years.

Please ensure you wear clean sneakers.

We are now accepting enrolments for all term two classes.

For more information please telephone 298 7010 or email

kapitigym@xtra.co.nz

AHOY there! Pirates is the theme for the holiday programme at your local library. Come and listen to stories and make a craft.

For bookings or enquires please phone or visit your local

library, or check out our website:
www.kapiticoastlibraries.govt.nz



