

Wednesday, 9 February 2011

Ko te Wenerei, 8 o Pepuere 2011



Creations made at
manual by the Y8s

*Tēnā koutou katoa
Ngā mihi o te tau hou!
Happy New Year!*

Welcome back to a brand new year. I hope you all had an enjoyable holiday with your children. I certainly loved being with mine and these times with them are always moments to treasure for me.

Welcome

We had the pleasure of welcoming three new students to our kura: Pihopa, Mihi and Shaquan. It's wonderful having you and your families join our school whānau. I mentioned during the pōwhiri that it was an extra special moment for me since I also taught Pihopa's dad, Tyron aka Pepe.

Welcome also to our new principals around the harbour. We hope you enjoy Kāwhia and all it has to offer.

Swimsafe

Today the teachers are attending a swimsafe course in Te Awamutu. This is a course that gives school teachers the necessary skills, knowledge and confidence to deliver a learn to swim, water and beach safety programme that reflects

the aquatic requirements of the New Zealand curriculum.

Swimming

Swimming is on this term and children are expected to bring their swimwear to school everyday. If they do not bring a towel they cannot swim. For those with longer hair we recommend they bring a hair tie or swimming cap. Our interschool swimming sports will be held at the Te Awamutu Events Centre in March and will be organised by Kinohaku School. More details to come as we receive them.

Project Energize

Jen Riley will be continuing with Project Energize at our school this year. This term she is supporting the swimming programme, taking our senior children biking and will be helping the teachers with daily fitness ideas.

Poukai

This year our school will be going to the poukai at Okapu Marae on Monday, 14 March. We'd love for you to join us and support this important annual event. Please fill in the attached permission note and return it to school.

Numeracy 2011

This year our school is involved School-based Mathematics and Numeracy In-Depth Professional Learning and Development which builds on from our numeracy support from last year. School Support advisers, Chriss Goodwin and Leeana Herewini will be delivering this professional development.

Finally

Once again our thoughts are with last year's Year 8s as they embark on their new journey to high school. We all feel your excitement and anxiety but always remember, you can take the person out of Kāwhia but you can't take Kāwhia out of the person!

Kia pai tō koutou wiki

Leanne Apiti

Duffy Books in Homes



Thank you to the Sproule & Nicholls family for joining us for prizegiving last year. The children are currently choosing their new books for the new year.

Bible in Schools

Bible in Schools starts at 9am every non-manual Wednesday. If you do not wish your child to participate, please contact the school or send a note to the office. School officially begins at 9.30am on the days that Bible in Schools is on.

COMING EVENTS

9th Feb	Bible in Schools 9.00-9.30am
11 Feb	Jen Riley—Project Energize—Swimming & Senior Cycling
14 Feb	Valentines Day Homework Centre starts
16 Feb	Manual—Whaea Carey on bus
16 Feb	BOT Meeting 6pm
17 Feb	R2—Whānau Hui
18 Feb	Jen Riley—Project Energize—Swimming & Senior Cycling
23-25 Feb	Whaea Niki and Whaea Roimata to Learning@Schools Conference in Rotorua

5 tips to help the reluctant reader:

1. Find books that work for them
2. Make reading interactive
3. Read aloud to your kids
4. Listen to books on tape/cd/mp3
5. Have a designated reading time

Notices

We have the following information available at the office:

Te Awamutu Junior Hardball Cricket - if you are aged 9-13 years old (years 5-8), and would like to play cricket on Saturday mornings in Term 1.

Te Awamutu Sports Firehawks Junior Rugby League Muster—Wednesday, 16 February

Variety Gold Heart Scholarship Funding

Hamilton Rookie Chess Tournaments

Government subsidy available for eye examination and glasses

Gymnastics at Te Uku Memorial Hall

School Donations

We recommend the following school donation be made for 2011:

\$20 individual \$35 family

FUNDRAISER HORSETREK

(Proceeds towards Taharoa Rugby and Netball Field Day)

Saturday, 19th February 2011

TAHAROA COAST LINE

Return trip—4+ hours

Meet at Taharoa rugby field at 9.00am

Ride off 10.00am

Picnic beside the beach (by lunch)

BBQ dinner back in Taharoa (provided)

Cost per rider \$30.00 adults

Schoolies \$15.00

Contact: Shane 07-8767397

Message from the Puke Family

Words cannot thank you enough for your generous support to our family when our house burnt down.

People we didn't even know dropped things off for us and offered their help.

The Kāwhia community all came together and it was a real overwhelming feeling that we don't know how to repay you all.

Once again, thank you all very much ♥

John & Caroline Puke and whānau

Breakfast Club

It is with sadness that Whaea Bubby has announced her retirement from the Breakfast Club but we will try and find excuses for her to come down and visit us regularly! Thank you to Whaea Bubby and also to Whaea Karina, who is unable to continue this year, for all your hard work during Breakfast Club. Whaea Judith has kindly agreed to take Whaea Bubby's place. Thanks to all our other volunteers. We want to try and continue having Breakfast Club every day so if you are able to help, even for one morning a week, please let us know.



Self Portraits by DeRay, Hawaiiki and TJ. In Room 4 our art focus is using different media to portray ourselves, this is using pastel and we are smudging and blending colours for a true representation.

CLUB MUD JUNIOR TRIATHLON

Swim / Cycle / Run

COMING SOON : END OF FEBRUARY OR EARLY MARCH

8-10 & 11-12 YEAR OLDS

Do all 3 events, or form a team

Prizes for winners of BOYS, GIRLS, AND TEAMS in each age group

And spot prizes including a MOUNTAIN BIKE available to **anyone who takes part**

SO START TRAINING!

?FIND SOME TEAM-MATES?

Enq: John and Sue Burton 871 0579

There once was a big, blue house on 921 Miki Street. What made this house so amazing and frightening was the closet that was at the top floor. Every night you would hear running and a squishy weird sound like a big monster is going to get you! It was a green monster with blue eyes and big feet who loved nail polish...

By Misha

Te Hākari Kai Tawhito o Kāwhia—He waiata nā Andrea

Tino maha ngā kai Māori
Paua, kina, toroi, kutai

Tino maha ngā kai makariri
Mereri, aihikirīmi e

Tino maha ngā kai hoko
Tino maha ngā kai hoko