



Wednesday, 1 July 2009

Ko te Wenerei, 1 o Hūrae 2009

Tēnā koutou katoa

A big thank you to the Māori Womens' Welfare League and Raukura Hauora o Tainui for accommodating our children so well at their Matariki Hauora Day on Friday and allowing them to exhibit their Matariki artwork. We were dazzled by the Whiu Whānau and their Maui Tamatoa performance and then treated with a free sausage sizzle. Our hosts were certainly a big ray of sunshine amongst all that rain! We hope our families managed to spend some time going through brochures and reading the important health messages that our children brought home from the day.

A big thank you to Whaea Karina for her dedication and hard work in making sure the Golden Circle fundraiser was a success.

Please note that this fundraiser is now closed. The proceeds from this will be split between the classes to directly assist with class needs. Congratulations to Room 2, who raised the most amount and also to Andrea Shaw, the highest individual fundraiser. We hope all those who participated will enjoy their prizes.

We would like to thank Hauturu School for hosting the Teacher Only Day. We were able to look at the Vision statement in the New Zealand curriculum in more depth and consider what it might mean and look like for our school. Some of the things we had to carefully consider were:

What will the future be like for our children?

What does this mean for our vision of today's learners?

How will this look on a day to day basis in our classrooms?

Thank you to Lou Sherman, Chairman of the Kāwhia Community Board who took time out of his busy schedule to come as our Duffy Book Hero. The children were very interested in his various jobs and roles and had plenty of questions to ask him.

Finally, it is with sadness we farewell Ms MacDonald and express our heartfelt gratitude for the wonderful contribution she has made to Room 4 and our school.

I appreciate all your support over this term and look forward to another term building on your children's successes.

Kia pai tō koutou hararei - Have a good holiday

*Arohanui, Leanne Apiti
Acting Principal*

Kāwhia School

Working Bee

Tuesday, 14 July

10am start

Our school has been fortunate enough to receive a grant to create a kitchen for our children to use. The Board of Trustees has decided to transform the old dental clinic, Te Rau Aroha, into the new kitchen but we would like some help to give it a good inside clean and start developing some vegetable and herbal gardens around the outside.

Please join us on the second Tuesday of the holidays and bring a plate to share as we begin to transform the building for our school.

All cleaning needs will be supplied.

COMING EVENTS

3rd July	End of Term 2
20th July	Term 3 starts
22nd July	Manual for Y7 & Y8 students
29th July	First newsletter for Term 3
30th July	Y7 immunisations

Highlights



Whiu Whānau performing at the Matariki Hauora Day



Duffy Books Hero—Kāwhia Community Board Chairman, Lou Sherman

Whale bone carving questions and answers (by Ngahautaua)



Q. What sort of bone is used?

A. Beef bone or whale bone

Q. Are whales killed for their bone?

A. No. (only bones of stranded whales are used)

Q. Is the first bone carving created by a carver given away?

A. Yes

Q. Is it a belief of Māori people that it is better to be given a taonga (treasure) than to buy one yourself?

A. Yes

Q. Do you use a machine to cut out your design?

A. Yes. You can use a small jeweller's saw.

School Notices

Term 3 Short Days

A reminder that we finish school at 2,30pm every day next term due to the winter weather. Lunch will be from 12.30-1.00pm every day.

Our short days will not affect the daily bus run. This means the children will continue to be picked up at 3,30pm except Fridays and Manual Days when they will be picked up at 3.00pm.

Holiday Websites for Children

Practise Mathematics and gain more credits

www.mathletics.co.nz

Up To Ten offers over over 1000 age-appropriate kids games (ages zero to ten) that are ideal for early learning.

<http://www.uptoten.com>

Improve your typing skills

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/typing/>

Over 4000 colouring pages and crafts

<http://www.crayola.com/>

Cook for your family over the holidays

<http://www.coolkidscooking.com>

E Āwhi a Papatuānuku (nā Virginia)

*Tangata, Tangata
Kei a māuiui a Papatuānuku*

Ka tangi a Ranginui

Ka pupuhi a Tawhirimatea

Kia hōroia a Papatuānuku

Tangata, Tangata

Whakarongo

Ka ngaru taniwhā a Tangaroa

Ka pakawera a Tane Mahuta

Kia hōroia a Papatuānuku

Tangata, Tangata

E āwhi ana a Papatuānuku

Aue taukiri!

Tangata, Tangata

Kei whea koutou???



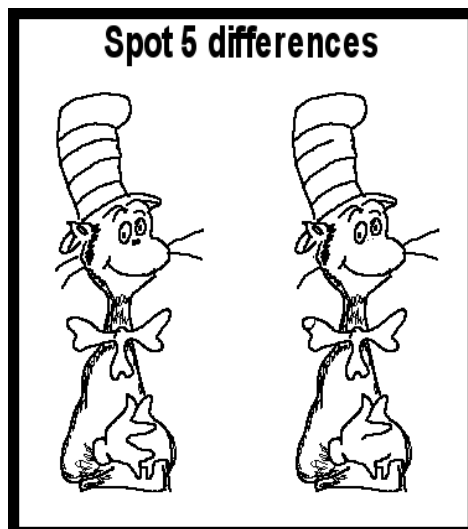
Bus on Manual Days

Don't forget the Manual Bus now leaves at 8.45am on the first week of Term 3.

Daily Bus Parents—Please remember that the bus will take your children home at 3pm on Manual Days.

Homework Centre

There is no homework centre on the last week and first week of each term.



I am a truck driver (by GrasyN)

I am a truck driver and I am going to Auckland.
On my truck I have a tank.
I went to the truck show.
Our truck broke down on the way to town. A tow truck came to change the wheel and I had to drive it home.



Holiday Activities in Our Region

Te Awamutu Events Centre

* KidZone Holiday Time 6-9, 13-16 July. \$15/day includes daily swim. Registration form at the Events Centre.

* Learn to Swim Holiday Programme

5 Days for only \$35

Monday 6 July-Friday 17 July

Receive a free complimentary family pass after completion of the course

Ring: 07-8712080

Otorohanga District Library

—bookings essential

* MidWinter Stories and Activities for 5-9 year olds

Tuesday, 14 July 10.30-12 noon

* Basic Self-Defence Workshop for 10-13 year olds

Thursday, 9 July 10.30am-12 noon

All activities in the Library Meeting Room

Phone the Library on 07-8737175