Wednesday, 18 August 2010 Ko te Wenerei, 18 o Akuhata 2010

Ngā mihi ki a koutou katoa

Thank you to all those who came to the Numeracy Whānau Workshop. Feedback was very positive from the parents and they clearly felt the workshop gave them valuable ideas to support their children at home.

Many thanks to Chriss Goodwin who took time to come to our school to present this for us. She provided the parents with a helpful handout and I have included some of the ideas into this newsletter for those of you who could not make it on Monday.

The flu and other illnesses have started to creep into schools. Although we encourage full attendance at school, illness does mean children do need to stay home if they are not well.

Kia pai tō koutou wiki Leanne Apiti

HOME LEARNING

www.nzmaths.co.nz/families

- Measuring, recognizing shapes, time
- Fractions and decimals (recognizing them, talking about them, writing them, making them)
 - Reading and writing numbers
 (letter boxes, number plates, use a
 ruler, use playing cards, write a
 number down, board games,
 keyboard numbers, using dice)
 - Counting both forwards and backwards (cars, shells on beach, pegs, run around the house, how many steps you walk, count backwards, start from different numbers)
- Ordering numbers, saying numbers before and after

Pirongia Cottage Craft Day

The Pirongia Craft Group's Annual Craft Day is to be held on Saturday, 25th September 2010 between 9.00am and 3.00pm.

Go Aotea!

Former student,
Aotea Apiti, is
currently competing
in the online
Language Perfect
Olympics. She is
currently in 2nd
place for Māori out
of 1172 competitors
from around the
world.

COMING EVENTS

Friday,	Senior trip to
20th	Koroneihana in
August	Ngaruawahia
Wed,	Manual—Remember
25th	books, containers,
August	pencils etc
Wed, 25th August	Board of Trustees Meeting—Staffroom

Coming Up

Thursday, 2nd September

* Duffy Show with Harbour
Schools

* Interschool Winter Sports at Kāwhia School

Ōtorohanga College Parent Interviews

A reminder that Ōtorohanga College parent interviews are being held at Hauturu Primary School on Wednesday, 18 August from 4.30-6.30pm.

They will also be holding interviews at Ōtorohanga College on Wednesday, 11 August from 4.30-6.30pm

Koroneihana Trip for Senior Students

A notice went home earlier this week to inform whānau that the Koroneihana trip has changed from an overnight stay to a day visit this Friday, 20th August 2010.

Mrs Dimond and Whaea Niki will be working with the Year 1-6 students on Friday.

- We have information available about the following:
- Tui Glen Camp Adventure Holidays
- Autism &
 Aspergers
 Syndrome Workshop
 in Hamilton

Rugby league has become very popular for the children and this group in Otorohanga is very passionate about having this sport available for the children of our district.

Please note you don't have to enter a full team if you only have a handful keen then that's fine as they will make teams up on the day. It's a chance for children to have a go. Just turn up.

Leading up to the Rugby League day that has been advertised for all children and schools on the 4th September all interested children are invited to go down to the Tigers Rugby Club at the Island on Sunday mornings at 11am for some coaching. Contact Doug Porima 8737946 for more information or contact Robbie at Sport Waikato.—07 873 7333

VİNTER WARMERS

MOUSE TRAPS

Mmmmmm... mouse traps! A nice warm and healthy lunch is mouse traps. Get creative and use spaghetti, corn, baked beans to mix up the flavours.

ingredients: Wholemeal bread, Marmite or relish, grated edam cheese.

Heat oven to 220°C. Spread marmite or relish over slice of

bread. Sprinkle with a little grated cheese. Place on hot oven tray and bake 8-10 minutes till golden and crunchy.

Tip - these can keep in an airtight container as well making a great snack for any time of day.





H1N1 Flu Virus

A high percentage, nearly 50%, of under 20-year-olds have had the H1N1 flu virus so should now have some natural immunity. There has also been a high rate of vaccination. However, some schools are experiencing very high absences. These tend to be in areas where there weren't as many cases last year.

The Ministry of Health is reminding everyone to repeat last year's intensive prevention measures. These are:

- practice good hygiene wash and dry your hands regularly, and cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing
- stay home if you are sick
- phone your doctor or HealthLine for advice

People with pre-existing health conditions and pregnant women need to be particularly careful and seek medical advice early if they have flu symptoms.

For more information, visit the Ministry of Health H1N1 webpages at http://www.moh.govt.nz/influenza-a-h1n1.





In 2010 Duffy is undertaking an exciting new adventure in *Duffy's Occupation Exploration*.

Duffy's wondering what he might be when he grows up. He's not really sure; all he knows is that he LOVES to read. He also knows that reading uses lots of different skills, but how could that help him when he grows up? Suddenly, while pondering this thought, he hears strange sounds coming from his giant book. Step inside to find out what's in store for Duffy. There is a giant wheel and a list of words that all sound the same like, CONCENTRATION, PARTICIPATION, EVALUATION, IMAGINATION. What do they mean? It looks like some sort of Game Show. Duffy will need you to help him out. Come and join Duffy and his friends on his latest adventure.

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