



Together we can do it – ka taea e tatou – together we are able

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Week 9

As this newsletter goes to print fourteen of our students are competing in the Weet-bix Kids Tryathlon in New Plymouth. Thanks must go to Mary-Elizabeth Hagenson for her hours of dedication in readying our students for this event. Our students and their parents were very well prepared for what this entails and I can't wait to see the student's medals.

We were also proud of the way our students performed and behaved at last week's Pōwhiri to welcome Te Kuiti students to Manioroa Marae.

The school grounds were well utilised over the Easter weekend with people playing tennis and swimming in the pool but a reminder that the pool is now closed for the season and keys should be returned to the office as soon as possible. The tennis net will stay up until the school holidays.

Regards,
Diane Scott



Awards

This week's certificates were awarded to:

Duffy Reading Award - Ocean for completing reading tasks quietly and diligently.

Student of the week - Grace for working hard during maths time and attempting all tasks.

Brain of the week - Francis for working independently and helping others.

Roopu Points: the competition is very exciting with two roopu tied for first and the other two roopu tied second.

Kokako: 90	Kea: 79
Kakapo: 90	King Fisher: 79

Te reo Māori:

Te Kupu o te Wiki for the week starting Rāapa, te 30 o Poutū-te-rangi, 2016 is **Kōwhai** which means *yellow* or refers to the Kōwhai tree.

He kōwhai te rā.
The sun is yellow.

Home & School AGM

The date for the Home and School Association Annual General Meeting has been set - please put Tuesday 17th May in your diary, 7.00 pm followed by an ordinary H&S meeting. People who attend the meeting and/or put in an apology form the H&S committee through to the next AGM.



- To parents, staff and Rob who attended last week's pōwhiri and transported students to and from Manioroa Marae and Merepaea for co-ordinating our visit.
- Thanks to the Easter Bunny who visited both classrooms on Thursday morning and to Jody for making lovely Easter treats for the children in the afternoon.
- Trevor Walshaw for fixing the rotting board on the playground.
- To Rob for a massive day in the school gardens - the edges are looking good, and the vege garden is looking much tidier - thank you!

Be Seen for Team Green: This fundraiser is going to be held on Thursday 7th April to raise funds for St John. Students can wear green and donate a gold coin to support this charity. There will be some 'green' activities on the day for students to enjoy.

Dates for Dairies

April

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| 1 st | Creativity Challenge Due |
| 6 th | Manual |
| 7 th | Anne Purves visiting
Vicki Coll - Project Energise
Be Seen for Team Green - St John fundraiser |
| 8 th | Teura and Merepaea at 7+course |
| 11 th | Duffy Role Model Assembly |
| 15 th | Last Day of Term 1 |

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For Sale:

Ladies Red Band Gumboots, size 4. If you are interested please contact Maree Jones.

School Policy Reviews

Please take a few minutes to read and review our policies that are under review this Term. Laminated Login cards were sent home with last week's newsletter please store these details in a safe place for future reference. If you don't have internet access, Jackie can provide you with printed copies of the policies and a review form or you can use a school computer to make your comments.

Student Dictionaries

Sheryl and David Page of Waitara Harcourts recently visited Mokau School to present illustrated dictionaries to year 5 students and older students new to the school. This project is run in conjunction with Rotary and dictionaries are presented on an annual basis.



EGG-CELLENT EGGS

BULLS EYE EGG

- 1 slice wholemeal bread
- 1 egg
- Margarine

Using a round cutter or an upturned glass, make a hole in the middle of the bread. Thinly spread margarine on both sides of the bread. Heat frypan to low heat. Cook bread on one side until browned. Flip bread over, gently break the egg into hole. Cook on low heat until egg is set. Delicious!

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EGG-CELLENT EGGS

NUTRITION SUPERHEROES!

Eggs contain 11 different vitamins & minerals!

Health guidelines say 'an egg a day is ok', so find ways to include them in your meals or snacks.

ZINC
IRON
PROTEIN
VITAMIN A
VITAMIN B12
VITAMIN E
FOLATE

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School Maintenance:

Coming to school this morning everyone couldn't help but notice the huge pile of mulch which has appeared by the entrance to the wild side - if anyone would like some of this for their garden please help yourself! Given the amount of mulch already and the amount of the job complete, the mountain is only going to grow! If anyone has some spare time to distribute the mulch onto school gardens and the wild side this would also be much appreciated - I feel a working bee could be in order. Likewise the sports shed also needs a clean out, at present the students can not access the equipment - the rats are gone but the mess of them having been their remains. Volunteers welcome - gloves will be provided.

Annual Marae Visit

With the increased pressures on our curriculum this year staff have opted for a Marae Day rather than a sleepover. The date we have pencilled in is the 13th May - this is not a cluster event but a day just for Mokau students and their families.

Creativity Challenge

A reminder that the first creativity challenge of the year is due this Friday. This challenge was open to all students to create something from an empty water bottle. We have a few entries already but would love more.