

Rāpare tua ono o Paenga- whāwhā : Thursday 6 April 2017

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So what do our kids learn from being in sports teams?

Last week I finally managed to get down to the hockey turf to watch a game and it seems that a number of our teachers also managed to get to a cricket game. It was great to see the families down there supporting their children, volunteer coaches and managers doing their thing and each child trying their best to figure out what they should be doing.

We are VERY lucky to have a sports coordinator in our school (thanks Anna - with the help of Danny) who is so well organised and committed to helping to provide opportunities for our children.

I watched the 'early skills years' in action and to the untrained eye (and some parents) it may have been a 'frustrating' experience, however so much learning was happening!

Our New Zealand Curriculum includes Health and Physical Education and three of the four components are addressed by students playing in sports teams; personal health and physical development, movement skills and motor skills, relationships with other people. The 'players' were making new friends, learning about other people, learning skills and having so much fun!

The winter term will see our children involved in soccer, netball and basketball and if you would like your children to have the opportunity, keep an eye out in the newsletter for the notice! It helps the children in all sorts of ways!



End of the first season for this little group Well done everyone!



Levin North and Levin East Schools combine to celebrate Matariki

We are very excited that our two Kapa Haka ropu are combining with those from Levin East to perform at Te Takere during Matariki. We are not sure which evening it will be yet but our senior Kapa Haka and junior Kapa Haka (just started this year and VERY cute!) will be doing their thing. We also have a couple of combined waiata – I can't wait – more details next term! Thanks Mr B, Arianna and Nadene for organising this! Not sure if Te Takere is ready for us all!

Fundfinders News...

We would like to extend a MASSIVE thank you to Libby Bruhn and Tracey Read who have had to step down from Fundfinders. They have been huge driving forces behind many successful events at our school and their enthusiasm and energy will be missed. HOWEVER this could be an opportunity for other people! If you would like to help our school to raise funds to help **your children and ...**

- see school discos continue ...
 - see Festival on the Field continue ...
- ... then we desperately need your support let the office know if you are willing!

Reminder: Easter Raffle money is due back ASAP - thanks to all the sellers - who will be the lucky winners?

School Holidays start after next week – NO SCHOOL FRIDAY 14 April (GOOD FRIDAY)
Term 2 starts Monday 1 May!

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Tupperware Event This Friday in the Staffroom

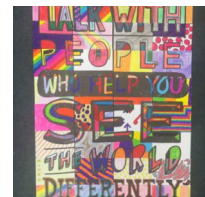
Friday 7 April (just in time for Mother's Day) 7.00 pm start

- Everyone welcome
- Products on display and demonstrations on the night
- If you have already received a catalogue and have finished with it, please drop it back to the school or bring it on the night. Catalogue link below:

<http://tupperware.ipapercms.dk/Tupperware/Australia/2017/seasonal-catalogues/aw17-seasonal-catalogue/>

Get New Zealand Writing

April is **Get New Zealand Writing** month at **Warehouse Stationery**. This month WS are giving away FREE postcards so that children can write to anyone, in any country. What a great way to support our writing focus here at school. **Children can write the cards, take them back to WS and they will post them FREE to anywhere in the world.**



Great idea for the school holidays...

SPECTACULAR SPORTS WORD

Term 1, Week 10

SUMMER HOCKEY

CONGRATULATIONS to all of the children who played Summer Hockey this term. You have made super improvements during the season and lots of you were buzzing about your final game last week. Please remember to bring back any sports uniforms or hockey sticks...unless of course you are going to sign up for Winter Hockey! YAY!

TEEBALL/SOFTBALL

The final games for this season are going to be played tomorrow. If the weather is doubtful then they will be cancelled with no further games. Let's keep our fingers crossed for good weather!

YEAR 4 - 6 INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS

We are trying for one last date - Tuesday 11 April 2017. A letter was given to the team earlier in the week so if you have not received it, please ask your tamariki.

YEAR 0 - 3 SPORTS DAY

Again, we are attempting one last go at hosting this sporting extravaganza! The new, and final date, is Thursday 13 April beginning at 11.30 am. The children were given information about this. Please ask them if you are not sure where it is.

GO ACTIVE KIDS TRYATHLON

WELL DONE to the children who participated in this triathlon last Friday afternoon. Great effort!

And finally...

"If you want to see the sunshine, you have to weather the storm"

~ Frank Lane ~

Ngā mihi

Anna Cooper

Kahurangi Team Leader & Sports Co-ordinator

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Horowhenua Libraries (Levin, Foxton and Shannon) – School Holiday Programme

We have three exciting things that are happening at Libraries in the Horowhenua that we would like you to know about.

School Holiday Programme

The theme these holidays is **“And they lived happily ever after ... or did they?”**

A programme based around Fairy Tales.

- Join us at Te Takere for both weeks from 10 am to 12 pm;
- In Foxton Library the second week of the holidays from 10.30 am to 11.30 am;
- In Shannon Library the second week of the holidays from 3 pm to 4 pm.

Anyone can come and join in and it is FREE!

Lego Club

Will be starting in Term 2 in all three libraries – please visit your library for details.

Festival of Stories

A week-long celebration of stories, running from 8 - 14 May.

For the festival we are running a **Bookmark Design Competition** and a **Story Writing Competition**. Call into the Libraries for your entry forms.

Also keep an eye on our website for all the events that will be happening during that week.

Colleen Hayes - Horowhenua Libraries