

Rāpare **rua** tekau ma wha o Here-turi-kōkā: Thursday 24 August 2017

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The pictures tell a thousand words... A hangi experience for our Room 8 children and our kindy. Thanks to everyone who helped out to prepare the vegies, cook and serve the food. Thanks to our kindy whanau for hosting our tamariki! What a great learning experience for everyone!



Kia Kaha

Later this term all of the classes around the school from New Entrants to Year 6 will be taking part in the Kia Kaha series of learning experiences. This programme is known as 'direct teaching' for children to help them to understand **what bullying is** and **what bullying is not** but also to develop strategies for respectful relationships. While we all love to say we have nobody who displays bullying behaviours, this would not be accurate (just look at the role models we sometimes have in society and in workplaces). The earlier we can help our kids to develop strategies the better!

In about three weeks we will be having a whanau meeting to talk about what the programme looks like as many of the activities have a 'things to do at home' component but in the meantime, check out the link!

<http://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-and-community-advice/school-portal/resources/successful-relationships/kia-kaha>

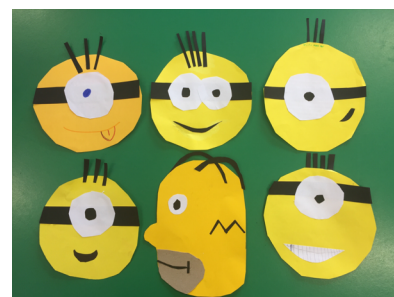


Three North boys Shontayne, Carter and Brendan all doing the right thing by others! Great role models!

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Disco Tomorrow Night!

Our Fundfinders and willing helpers have organised our disco for tomorrow night. The theme is 'mellow yellow' – see the decorations (to the right) that are being prepared for the event. Remember it is **one disco for everyone** starting at **5.30 pm and finishing at 7.00 pm**. You are welcome to bring your children and take them at any time between 5.30 and 7.00pm. We hope that this timing will be easier for parents and whanau to manage. The 'door charge' is \$2.00 and as usual we will have drinks, pizza and glow rings etc for purchase. Please support our Fundfinders who are doing a great job for YOUR children!



Updating Contacts PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE

We have had a few problems recently trying to contact parents and whanau when there has been an emergency. The contacts and phone numbers we have for some tamariki are NOT current!

Can you please check that the contacts we have are the ones we should have!!!

Just ring, text, drop in or complete the piece of paper which your child will bring home.

We need to know this – it's VERY important!

New Class in Term Four

Many of you who have children in Rooms 5 and 6 will notice that the classes are getting quite full. Normally we would have started another class by now, however we didn't know that some people were coming!!!!

So, **Whaea Janine will start the new class in Term Four** and some of our newbies (from Rooms 5 and 6) will move to her class so that we can keep the numbers down.

We will talk with parents and whanau of those children who may be moved before this happens! You can help us in this space though by enrolling your child early as this is what we base our staffing on! Early means, if your child is turning five next year, please enrol them NOW!

Learning Our Tables

Well done to all those that competed in our school Sumdog competition <https://www.sumdog.com/>. Our Year 4 to 6 students focussed on the times tables, Year 2 to 3 students on arrays and skip counting and our Year 0 to 1 students on addition to 10 and 20. Sumdog is a maths programme for Years 0 to 8 that can target specific aspects of maths. Students last week completed over **110 000** sums. Imagine how long this would take to write in a book! Our Top Year 4-6 students solved over 4000 sums each.

The students that had the most correct answers were:

Year 4-6 Top 2: Caleb and Ryan
Year 2-3 Top 2: Carter and Thomas
Year 0-1 Top 2: Mayson and Ryan

Special mention to Jasmin, Jessica and Ashanti

The times table challenge has continued this week led by Mrs McCallum. Students have been enjoying the challenge and the competition. We will be holding the 'finals' at the final assembly this term.

Junior Jandal Jam

I have put up my hand (as I do from time to time!) for our children to be part of a **Junior Jandal Jam** in November BUT at the moment we have **NO TUTOR!** Junior Jandal Jam is an opportunity for us to develop a Levin North Pasifika Group to celebrate our Pasifika cultures. Just like Kapa Haka, ANY student can join but we need someone to teach us. From our perspective we can **promise** any volunteer a friendly place to work with our children and we will do all we can to help. Please let us know if you know someone or are willing to give it a go yourself – we need help...

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Gymnastics

For the next few weeks in the school hall Bruce Clark and Manu Bennett are taking Gymnastics on **Monday (Years 3 – 4) and Wednesday (Years 5 – 6) during lunchtimes at 12.30** and on a **Thursday from 2.15 – 3.00 pm for all year groups**. This is in preparation for the Interschool Gymnastics meet. They need parent help to support the children and to teach the skills safely. If you are able to come along and help that would be great – you don't need to be a gymnast! Just let us know when you would be able to come along. Thank you.

Indoor Soccer (Futsal)

Mr Perigo has just selected three teams to participate in an Indoor Soccer 5-aside competition in Palmerston North in September. Training is currently underway for this competition. Thank you to Mr Prior, Danny and Tahana who will be helping train these students.

Scholastic Lucky Book Club

All students will be given brochures for the Lucky Book Club this week. If you wish to place an order, please ensure your orders are handed in to the office before Tuesday 8 September. **Please note we can no longer accept Book Club order forms with credit card details. If you wish to pay by credit card, you must order online (see note below from Scholastic Book Club).**

Message from Scholastic: Two years ago, we launched LOOP – the easy way for parents to order and pay for Book Club online – as part of our mission to make things easy and less work for schools. Please note that from this Issue onwards, **all parent credit card orders must be placed via the LOOP platform**. This is the next step in reducing the paperwork and hassle for schools running Book Club. Parents can order online at scholastic.co.nz/LOOP, mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz or via the LOOP mobile apps.

SENSATIONAL SPORTS WORD

Term 3, Week 5

TACKLE RUGBY COMPETITION

Yesterday our tackle team played their first game together against Levin School. The weather was perfect at last! Levin School had a fantastic game but there were some excellent stand out moments from our team too! Particular players to note were Riley and Onyx. I was also super proud of the children who have never played rugby before. You are now on your way, and as a team ... the only way is up! A big 'thank you' to Mr Perigo, Mr Prior, and Danny Bruhn who prepared our students for their first game. Awesome leadership by Makaie and Bronson.

GYMNASTICS

There is an interschool competition coming up soon. Mr Clark is taking the lead on training the children but if you are keen to help out and support him then please contact Mr Clark in Room 11 or leave your details with the office. Currently there are roughly 60 children interested in taking part. We would appreciate any help as explained earlier in the newsletter.

DODGEBALL

During selected playtimes and lunchtimes over the past few weeks, Mr Prior has been running Dodgeball sessions. What initially began as a low-key fun activity, has now spread across the school to many classes, and a competition is on! It is great to see children who normally shy away from sport, show a real interest and desire to be part of their class team. Keep up the awesome effort everyone, and good luck for future games! Thank you Mr Prior for providing this opportunity.

And finally...

SCHOOL APP

Remember to download the school app if you want to get more information about sports or school activities. See instructions below or contact the office if you want to know more!

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SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Any uniforms that are no longer being used, please return them to school washed, clean and dry.

SUNNY DAYS... GET OUT AND PLAY!

When we have sunny days at school, we encourage the children to get outside and play. Please ensure they are wearing sensible clothes for the weather. Even though the sun is out, it is not always providing us with the warmth we crave!

Just as we encourage them to head outdoors, may I encourage you to do the same with them. There's nothing like an energetic run around with your kids. What great inspirations you can be to them.

"Teach, encourage, instruct, mentor, praise, influence, guide, inspire."

~ Unknown~

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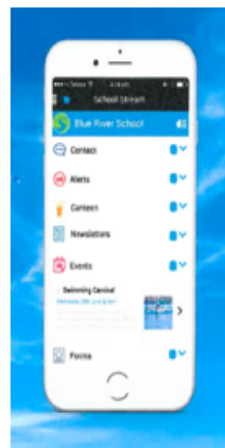
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