

Ko Rātu, rua tekau mā whā o Hōngongoi : Thursday 26 July 2018

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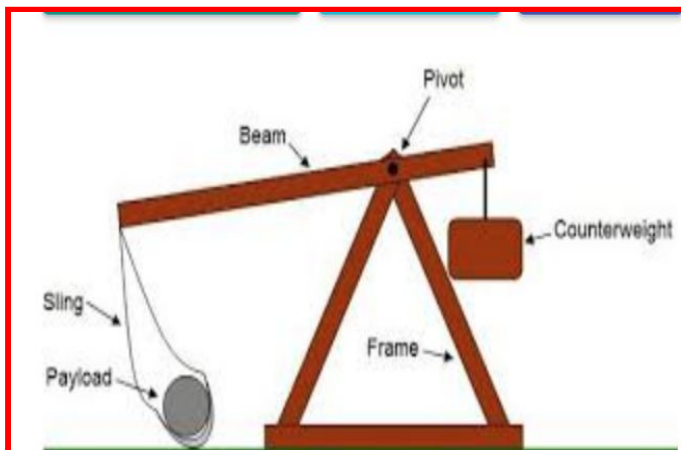
Welcome back to Term 3!

This term we have a science focus; this will be on constructing Mangonels and Trebuchets (Catapults).

The students aims are to:

- make comparisons in height, distance and accuracy when one variable is changed;
- critique - **is this a fair test?** Changing methodology, to make the test fair;
- Gather/record and explain data from measurements;
- Become familiar with and use scientific and mathematical vocabulary: projectile, trajectory, forces, potential energy/kinetic energy, movement, motion, mass, accelerate, lever, fulcrum, stationary, tension, arc, angles, inclined plane, gravity, balance point, pulley, variable, catapult, momentum.

Mrs Deroles and Mrs Vickers have been at the forefront of promoting science at Levin North this year. Our challenge now is to guide teachers enthusiasm (Mr Malcolm) towards designing a small **scale model**, rather than a life sized model.



Learning Conversations Are Coming...

Our mid year reports will be coming home this week and next week we are having our **learning conversation evenings**. As per last year, these will be held over three evenings **3.00 - 6.00 pm on Tuesday 31 July and Thursday 2 August and 3.00 - 8.00 pm on Wednesday 1 August**. We have scheduled these late in the day to make sure those families who have both parents working have time to come along and celebrate your children's learning **with your children**.

Login to: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the Event Code: **upczg**

If you need help booking your interview time, please come in to the office or give us a phone call and we can make the interview time for you.

This information will be found on Facebook, Our School Website, Our School App, present and past Newsletters and a separate notice going out tomorrow. If you hear of anyone who has not heard about the interviews, please let them know too.

Music Concert

On Thursday 5 July, in the last week of Term 2, Nikki our magnificent and multi-talented music teacher organised a concert for us with her talented students. We were all blown away with the skills and talent of our students. The concert ended with a duet from Nikki and Emma Hansen, which was outstanding and really appreciated by students and staff.



Music Lesson Payments

Just a reminder that we have some rather big amounts of money outstanding for Nikki's music lessons from last term. We know that sometimes people just forget to pay, however we still have to pay our lovely Nikki! As a school we can't afford to carry these costs, so over the next week we will be communicating with families who owe money. Unfortunately unless we receive the money owed (fairly quickly) your child's lessons will have to stop! Just a reminder that you can pay by online banking - here are our bank details:

Account Name: Levin North School Board of Trustees

Account Number: 03 0667 0269569 00

Please make sure your **NAME** and a reason for payment (eg **MUSIC**) are included under the Payee Code and Reference Fields. Thank you.

Digital Technology and Cybersafety

Digital technology has an increasing role in teaching and learning, in running our workplaces, and in our daily lives. We value our internet facilities and ICT digital technology equipment and the benefits they bring us in learning outcomes and the effective operation of the school.

We actively encourage our students to be competent and confident in the use of digital technology; and aware of and able to manage the challenges and issues that go with it. These issues include safety of themselves and others, privacy, copyright, and protection of digital devices and equipment. In short, to be digital citizens. As defined by NetSafe, a digital citizen:

- is a confident and capable user of ICT
- uses technologies to participate in educational, cultural, and economic activities
- uses and develops critical thinking skills in cyberspace
- is literate in the language, symbols, and texts of digital technologies
- is aware of ICT challenges and can manage them effectively
- uses ICT to relate to others in positive, meaningful ways
- demonstrates honesty and integrity and ethical behaviour in their use of digital technology
- respects the concepts of privacy and freedom of speech in a digital world
- contributes and actively promotes the values of digital citizenship.

What can you do?

1. SET EXPECTATIONS

Talk to your child about the type of behaviours you'd like them to adopt. For example, how long they should spend online, what apps and social media sites you'd like them to use and what is appropriate content to view. This will be

Levin North School is a positive, caring community, which promotes lifelong learning, celebrates individuality and encourages participation and success for all.

