

Ko Rāpare tua rua o Whiringa-ā-rangi.
Thursday 2 November 2023

<https://www.facebook.com/levin.northschool>

<http://www.levinnorth.school.nz>

Term 4 continues at a 'cracking' pace (dates for your calendar)

A reminder that we look forward to hearing from you all through [our survey link](#).

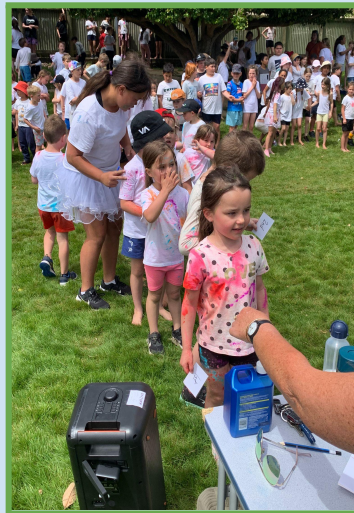
We are feeling a bit lonely as **no-one has responded!**

- Reminder Teacher Only Day **November 17th** - there will be **NO** school for our kids on that day.
- The other date that people are asking about is the **final Year 6 Assembly and Dinner** etc.... This will be on **December 13th** (at school during the day) with the dinner etc... to follow.

School finishes on Thursday 14 December at lunchtime and starts again on 7 February 2024.

Colour Fun Run... YEEHA!

This is Cross Country Levin North Style...



AWESOME afternoon, **Awesome** kids, **Awesome** whānau and **Awesome** teachers!

Communication

Over the last few weeks we have been struggling to get our messages out to whanau.

PLEASE check your HERO and /or Facebook messages (or even read the newsletter).

This is a screen shot from facebook... yet on Wednesday morning we had at least 25 phone calls re the fun run. A few we can handle but we also have HEAPS of other stuff to do!

Manaakitanga We value ourselves, others and the environment,

Kotahitanga, We own what we do, we have a sense of being together , we belong, **Manawanuitanga**:Determination to do our best and never give up

We are trying really hard to make sure families know what is happening but this is hard if some don't read what we send!

Yesterday our very precious office manager was abused badly on the phone... this is NEVER ok...We tend to get a bit frustrated - and it feels a bit like 'groundhog' day!
We are all just trying to do our best...

YEAR GROUP	APPROXIMATE START TIME	NUMBER OF LAPS	TIME TO COMPLETE COURSE
Class 7, 8, 15	1:00 pm	1	15 minutes
Class 6, 14	1:15 pm	1	10 minutes
Year 3	1:25 pm	1	10 minutes
Year 4 boys	1:35 pm	2	15 minutes
Year 4 girls	1:40 pm	2	15 minutes
Year 5 boys	1:55 pm	3	20 minutes
Year 5 girls	2:00 pm	3	20 minutes
Year 6 boys	2:20 pm	3	20 minutes
Year 6 girls	2:25 pm	3	20 minutes

Teachers for 2024...

Phew - we have finally found enough teachers for next year. The news reports are VERY accurate - it is very hard to find teachers!
So... our teaching and leadership staff will be:

- Jen O'Donnell, Whaea Sarah, Whaea Mary, Megan McKenzie, Merle Adams, Kerri Vickers, Karen Shaw, Livi Samuelu, David Malcolm, Anna Cooper, Emma Hansen, Andrew de Wit, Courtney Morrissey, Sean Turner, Bruce Clark, Moira Campbell

We are currently working on class lists as we try really hard to match the child with a teacher (and of course a couple of friends).
These should be more or less finalised in the next couple of weeks.
Then on to support staff....

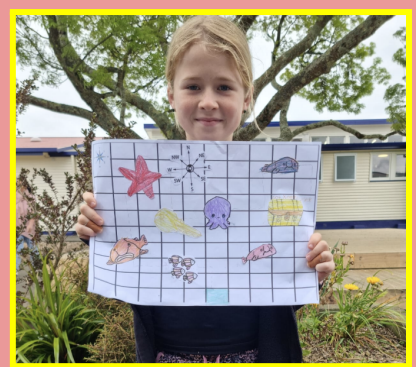
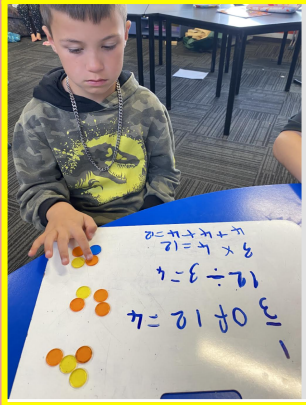
Maths posts

Last week we reported on your child's maths . Our goal is always to provide a visual which explains the concept that the child is working and a word from the child where it is appropriate. As you can see from the images below maths is an incredibly diverse learning area - not just 'sums' on a page. Maths is really about developing a curiosity about how the world works, exploring possibilities and finding explanations - not necessarily just finding ONE answer.

Ask your child about their post.

This time there should also have been a statement on your child's post about where they are 'at' in terms of expectations. This is something that we are continuing to work with our provider (HERO) in our reporting processes and in 2024 this (should) will be much easier to understand across Reading, Writing and Maths. If at any time you want more information about where your child is at, please come and see the teacher. They would be more than happy to discuss progress.

ps... this term we also have a writing and an end of year summary post for each child.



Kapa Haka performance at 'Age on the Go'.

Our **senior kapa haka ropu** have been

invited to perform at **Age on the Go**

which is an event for seniors run by our local council at the Horowhenua Events Centre on Friday 10 November.

A bus will pick us up from school at 11.15 am and we are performing at 12.00 pm.

Given the disappointment about the festival this is a great opportunity for our kids to perform their set. Whānau of course are welcome to come and support us.

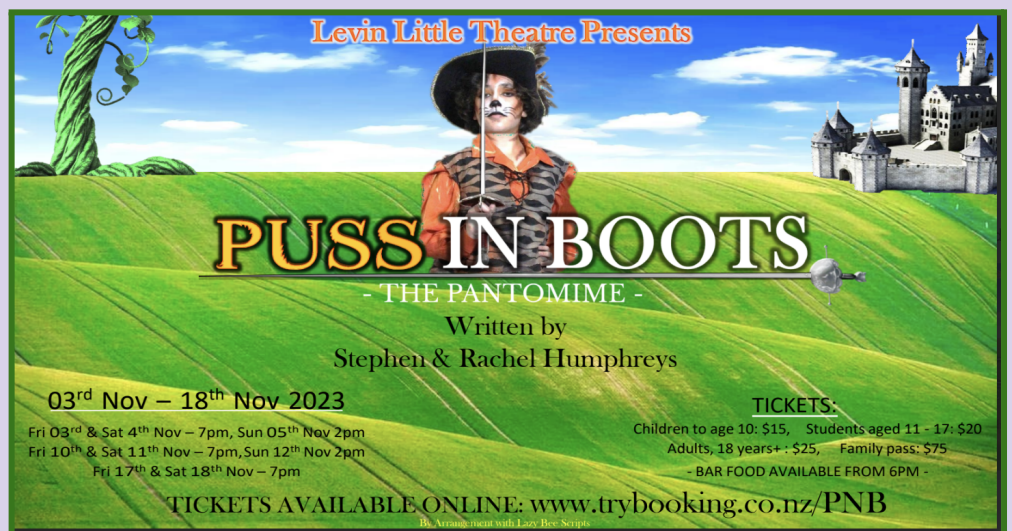


Celebration...

Thanks to Bruce Clark and his team of intrepid reporters... who are out and about 'reporting' on things that happen at school! - Tino pai rawa!

Puss in Boots

Local show...featuring some of our students yet again!!!!
Get along and support our kids - enjoy a great show experience!



Manaakitanga We value ourselves, others and the environment,

Kotahitanga, We own what we do, we have a sense of being together, we belong, **Manawanuitanga**:Determination to do our best and never give up