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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK / WHAKATAUKI

"Children *feel* life. They smell it, roll in it, run with it, see it all around them. Feel the world through the eyes of a child." Anonymous

TERM TWO DATES TO NOTE

22 June	Whaea Lisa Jaggi finishes Electronics Day
25 June	Whaea Grace Returns
27 June	Reports out
28 June	Last music lesson BoT Meeting
3 July	Teacher-Parent Conferences
5-6 July	Life Education (Harold's) Truck
6 July	Last day of term- mufti

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It has been a long held goal to have a functioning vegetable garden at school. I believe that learning to grow your own food (and cook food) is a basic skill that is slowly disappearing, especially in urban locations. The difficulty and main barrier with a school garden is the 6 week summer break, when most of the harvesting should occur, but it is when nobody is here. So I was so glad when I was contacted by Joy Meihana and Kerry Dale from Nga Hau e Wha Maara Kai Charitable Trust, offering to assist with establishing and maintaining a school garden. They have funded Charmaine Whyte (Cody and Kaylib Smith's nana) to work in 5 local schools to work with the children to establish and maintain a vegetable garden. The children will work with Charmaine on Mondays, learning about plants, planning what to plant and tending the garden. It is all very exciting. This also solves the problem of maintaining the garden over the summer break, as her contract includes the holidays. To get started, over the weekend Darrin Brown came to school with his tractor and power hoe and dug the garden, in front of the swimming pool (see

photos below). Charmaine started working with some of the children on Monday. She has written an introduction below in our newsletter with a request for some materials. I would love it if the community would get in behind this and support us and we teach gardening skills to our tamariki.

CLASSROOM KORERO-Senior Room

Happy Māori new year! Matariki is the Māori name for the cluster of stars also known as the Pleiades. It rises in mid-winter and for many Māori, it heralds the start of a new year. We have been learning about Matariki throughout the school and the senior class have been celebrating this auspicious time through art, song / waiata and storytelling.

Also, last Wednesday I took some of the Year 7 & 8 students went to Taumarunui to take part in the Technology Challenge. It is a great opportunity for students to mix and mingle with other students the same age, from different schools in the area. It was a competition based on team work, skills, invention and creativity. One of our groups even came away with a second place award, which is really impressive considering the high number of competitors. Our students did very well representing their school with pride. A huge thank you to Vaughan Wakelin for staying and assisting all day and Chris Weir for changing her work day to transport the children. Also thank you to Cara O'Donnell who let us borrow her van in order to transport the majority of the children into Taumarunui.

Thank you all. It was an eventful day!



ELECTRONICS DAY

On Friday we are having an Electronics Day. This is where the children can bring along their electronic games or toys and play with them at playtime, lunchtime and in the hall in the afternoon. We will take the utmost care of each piece of equipment; each class will have a safe place to store them when they are not in use, but as with all things brought to school, it is at your own risk.

NGA HAU E WHA

Maara Kai Gardens have started a community base programme within the schools of Taumarunui. Firstly I will be helping & teaching the children to grow and maintain their gardens within their schools, and then to teach and help the children how to cook what they grow. If any families would like to donate any vegies or anything that we could use, would be very much appreciated. There will be a box left at the office for donated items or please feel free to call or text me. Ideas for donated items: fertiliser, compost, seeds, plants, egg shells for garden. Charmaine Whyte 0274829162



Our new garden.

DRESS UP DAY- BOOK CHARACTER

One thing I love about this school is how well the children get in behind these fun days. We had some clever costumes and characters. See the photos below- or more on Facebook



The junior boys book characters



The middle room girls book characters

RAFFLE TICKETS TO SELL

Thank you to everyone who has managed to sell their raffle tickets. Two tickets were given to each child last week. Once you have sold them please return the butts to school with the money so we can draw the prize.

DONATION

Another big thank you goes to Bill and Carol O'Donnell who have donated to the school the money they received from the T42 event for going through their farm.

MUSIC STANDS

We would like to say a huge thank you to Andre Brown for the donation of five music stands. There was a certain synchronicity with this donation- they came on the same day as I was looking for quotes to buy some music stands for your music lessons.

DUFFY BOOKS- CAUGHT BEING GOOD

We had three recipients of a book each for our last PAR assembly Caught Being Good ceremony:



Izabella Horton for her excellent application to work

Oliver Wheeler for his great effort and progress in reading

Lewis Wheeler for his effort and perseverance in all areas of his work

Well done you three.

MATARIKI

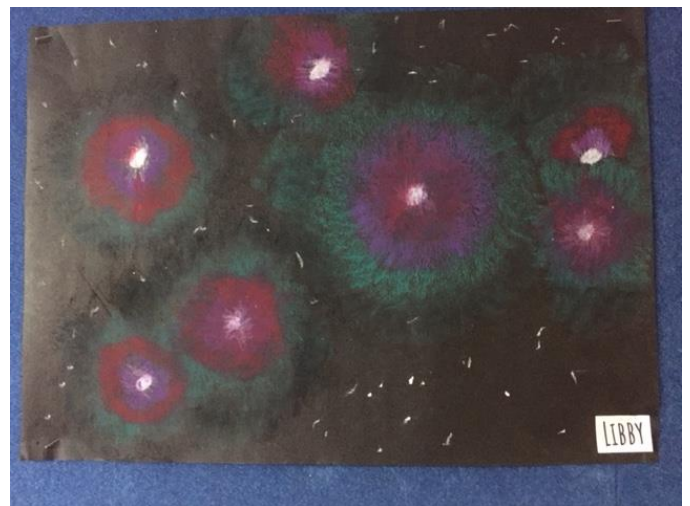
Mrs Jaggi has put up a great wall display showing the progressions of learning in the visual arts. It is based on Matariki and is the work of the year 1 to 4 children. Please come and have a look, it is in the corridor.



The wall display in the corridor



Some of the progressions of ideas as the children explored different ways of drawing stars

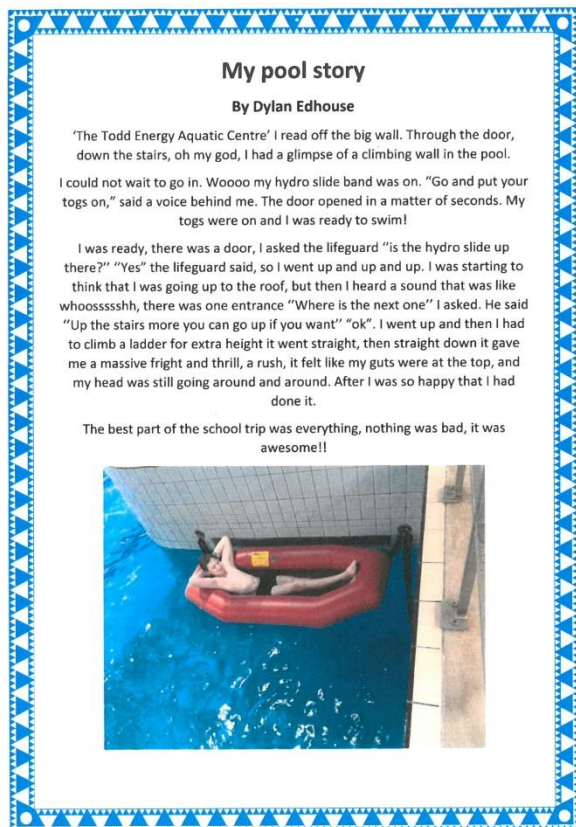


Libby Hoban's finished art work

SENIOR ROOM WALL DISPLAY

The senior room have put up a great display of their Taranaki Camp.





Dylan Edhouse's pool story

HOCKEY

Draw Wednesday 20 June

4.10pm OWH v NVS

MINIBALL BASKETBALL

Round Two, Week Two, Friday 22 June

4.25pm Ct 1: Owango v NVS Knights

NETBALL – Draw 23 June

Country is Set Up duty team

9am Ct 1 Country v. TPS A

11am Ct 3 Country v NVS Shooters

Owango Rockers: All C Grade Primary Teams have a bye.

MINI MEEZ BASKETBALL LEAGUE 2018

It is time to be thinking if you would like to play in this Mini Meez grade of basketball. It is for Y1/2 & Y3/4 age groups. We will need offers of a coach please. Registration slips and \$15 player fee will be called for later in the month.

Thanks to our sponsors for this year:

DG & R Brown Contracting, Midwest Helicopters, Doyle Valuations, B & C O'Donnell, Farmlands, Ruapehu Alpine Lifts, Forgotten World Adventures, Wood Pigeon Lodge, Ravensdown, Deosan, Farm Source, Mike Walsh Sculptures

PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING

Stationery & sports fees to

Westpac 030 426 0141783 00

Uniform costs to Westpac 030 426 0141783 03

PTA Westpac 030 426 0156205 00

OPEN DAY AT THE TAUMARUNUI HIGH SCHOOL

TAUMARUNUI HIGH SCHOOL

Open Days – Nest week.

26th and 27th June 2018

Classroom visits and student guided tours

10am to 12pm & 2pm to 3pm

Information sessions

10:30am 11:30am 2:30pm 5:30pm

Enrolling now for 2019

PROJECT ENERGIZE.



TE HUAPAE O MATARIKI -- WINTER FESTIVAL.

To celebrate Matariki, there are several activities being held in Taumarunui you may wish to participate in with your family.

Community Dinner- Monday 2nd July 6pm \$40

Starry Nights at REAP – Tuesday 3rd July–

Thursday 5th July, 6-8pm

Night Market – Friday 6th July 6pm-9pm

Shop Window competition - \$1600 prize on offer

Junior Snow Queen Competition -Saturday 7th July. Judging at 11am. 3 prizes for each age group (0-6 years) and (7-12 years).

More information contact REAP reception.

Also see posters attached to this email.



Buy New & Used Winter Gear At Our
2018 PRE LOVED
WINTER SALE

& ENJOY OUR CAFÉ CORNER SELLING HOT FOOD, HOME BAKING & DRINKS

CLOTHING FOR ON & OFF THE MOUNTAIN - SKI & SNOWBOARD GEAR - SLEDS
 & MORE HIGH QUALITY GEAR @ CRAZY PRICES!!!

Saturday 30th of June 2018
3-6pm

National Park School Hall, Carroll Street, National Park Village

SELL ON BEHALF SERVICE:
 Contact Dean Lark
 02102605574

WINTER WARMERS
READING PROGRAMME
 @ TAUMARUNUI LIBRARY

CLIMB into READING
Piki ki te Pānui

JUNE 25TH - AUGUST 17TH
 Very limited spaces
 Visit Taumarunui Library to register
 For ages 6-12 years












... And Much More!
2nd July - 7th July

Te Huapae o Matariki Winter Festival





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Monday 2nd July

5:30pm - Karakia & Turning on the Lights
 Join us in Mansons Garden for Karakia to mark the start of Te Huapae o Matariki Winter Festival then see the gardens light up with 100's of 1000's of lights to make a truly magical wonderland. These lights will be on every night this week!

6:00pm - Community Dinner
 For \$40 you can enjoy an amazing meal with Maori flavours and inspiration at Big Mamas Café opposite the stunning lights.
Bookings are essential and tickets need to be purchased from REAP or Big Mamas

Tuesday 3rd July

10am - 4:30pm - Flax weaving, storytelling & Taonga Display
 Join us at the Ruapehu Arts Centre and learn how to weave flax, hear some of the legends of Matariki and view a local Taonga display.

6:30pm - Movie, Wine & Cheese
 Stop by at the Copper Tree for a glass of wine and some nibbles before making your way to the cinema to watch New Zealand film "The Breaker Uppers".
Tickets cost \$15 and can be purchased from REAP reception

6:00pm - Starry Nights at REAP
 Visit REAP between 6pm and 8pm and learn to identify some of the stars in the sky, how to find Matariki, and perhaps how to take pictures of the night sky.

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6:30pm - Night Market
 Visit Manuatu street and see a range of stalls and stands from local artists, craftsmen and traders. There will also be free live entertainment on the night!
To register your stall please visit REAP

7:00pm - Shop Window Display
 The winner of the shop window display will be announced!

4:00pm - Kids Colouring Competition
 Have your works of art in my 4pm of this day to be in to win one of the prizes kindly donated by Taumarunui Paper Plus. All entries will be displayed in the REAP windows on Hakiha Street over the weekend!

Saturday 7th July

9am - Kids Fun Day
 Join us on Manuatu street for some free fun and games and a bouncy castle!

9:30am - Snow Dump
 Want to see it snow in Taumarunui? Head on down in your warm clothes and join in the snow fun

11:00am - Snow Queen Contest
 This was a favourite last year! Put on your best snow queen outfit, practice your best royal wave and enter the contest

7:30pm - 12am - Lions Winter Festival Ball
 The Taumarunui Lions Association are hosting a Winter Festival Ball at the RSA. Tickets cost \$30 per person or \$45 for a couple and include dinner and a glass of wine. This will be a great night including great music, fun games and activities and great company. All proceeds go back into community projects.
Tickets available from CKC REAP or Gals & Guys Barber shop