



Titirangi Primary School

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Kiā Kōwhiri

NEWSLETTER

21 September 2009

TRASH to *Fashion*!



Well done to all of our amazing 2009 entrants!

What's Happening

Monday 21 September

Bible in Schools
Project Ginger

Tuesday 22 September

Kapa Haka
Year 6 Band
Senior Ukulele

Wednesday 23 September

Hip Hop

Thursday 24 September

Junior Ukulele
Senior Choir

Friday 25 September

Enviro Group
Junior Choir

Term Three Ends at 2.50pm.

Monday 12 October

Term Four begins.
Bible in Schools
Project Ginger

Tuesday 13 October

Kapa Haka
Y6 Band
Senior Ukulele

Wednesday 14 October

Hip Hop

Thursday 15 October

Junior Ukulele
Senior Choir

Friday 16 October

Enviro Group
Junior Choir

Newsletter

A man can make a mistake but he isn't a failure until he starts blaming others. Sam Rutigliano (1973) Football Coach.

The end of Term 3 is upon us – school closes for the spring holiday this Friday at 3.00 and re-opens for Term 4 on Monday 12 October.

This has, as ever, been a really busy term. Alongside our regular class programmes there is an impressive list of activities and achievements for the term.

- Thanks to great work from our enviro-group we have achieved our Silver enviro-school award. The next target is the coveted Gold award.
- Wacky Weds raised \$400 for our World Vision sponsored child.
- 40 hr famine – raised \$3930 for World vision – thanks to all families who supported this and to Miss Aerts, our coordinator.
- The Chess team came 3rd out of 44 schools in the Western Zone competition.
- Speech competition – our finalist went to the zone competition held this month.
- Trash to fashion (see our report in this newsletter).
- After last Term's successful art exhibition we entered art work into the Lynfield College Art Exhibition and won 6 1st and 2nd prizes.
- Gymnastics – all classes had sessions at Lynrey.
- Book Week, which coincided with Parent Teacher Conferences and the Book Character parade. Book week raised \$2500 raised for library books
- Winter Sports Field Day on 4th September all Year 5 & 6 children took part – we entered 5 soccer teams, 4 hockey, 2 rugby and 6 Netball Teams playing against 9 other schools. Over all we won 2 Trophies
- Kelly Sports after school on Monday – this involves 60 Y1-4 children and will run again in T4
- Ukulele group involves Senior and Junior students in learning a new instrument.
- We have 2 Kapa Haka groups of approx 30 Y1 – 3 and 30 Y 4-6 children who are preparing to perform at the West Auckland Multi-cultural festival

next term.

- Hip Hop - we have 25 Y 5& 6, 45 Y3&4 children meeting regularly.
- Completion of the FPS exam saw the culmination of a huge amount of challenging, high-level teamwork by our FPS students.
- Otago Maths challenge. Year 5 and 6 children participate in the this national event, for which we are awaiting results.

As you can see, there a lot of extra-curricular activities on offer for our children and opportunities to discover new interests and talents.

2009 SCHOOLS TRASH TO FASHION SHOW

This year, the Schools Trash to Fashion celebrated the beauty of our world, and contestants were asked to consider how we must take care of it. Over 300 students were nominated from West Auckland play centres, primary and high schools, from which 180 students were selected to participate in the finals. Three students from Titirangi Primary were selected by the judges to go through to the finals. They were Sam Hi-S, who competed in Junkyard Superheroes (inorganic category) and Kayla R & McKenzie H who both competed in the "Colour Your World" category.

The students were required to attend rehearsals over two weekends followed by the shows and awards on 12 & 13 September.

It was an amazing experience for these students who had the opportunity to be part of a very high quality performance for a huge audience. We would like to congratulate those who were successful in the finals.

We would like to acknowledge the commitment and enthusiasm from all the students who began the journey of creating their garments five months ago. Mrs Fitzgerald – Room 11.

"I was in two shows last weekend for The Schools Trash To Fashion Finals. We had lots of rehearsals as 193 kids were in the show with outfits they had designed, but it was well worth it. I won a Merit Award for Learning and Executing "Grandma's Techniques". My outfit was made of Chux Multicloths. My Nana had taught me how to knit, so I made a top knitted out of Chux. I then learnt to sew and made the skirt to match. I can't wait to enter in this show again next year."

By Mackenzie H.

Thank you to Sue Fitzgerald for co-ordinating the Trash to Fashion. It was a great opportunity for our children!

BOOK WEEK

Well - what a tremendous success! Thanks to everyone who supported the library by buying books. We managed to get **\$2500.00 of free books for the library!** We really appreciate the people who kindly donated books or money. It was great to see those people who dressed up as a book character and got into the spirit of it all. Special thanks also to Veronica McLeod, Carol Yates, Ruth McNiel, Kim Battersby, Bill Mudgway, Jo Richards and Karen Nash for your help.

If you have a problem with your order please contact me as soon as possible to sort it out. Phone me on 817 3609 or e-mail jdcoy@xtra.co.nz. If you chose to have library pickup your books are waiting for you at the library. Apologies to those people who have books on back order. Some titles needed to be re-ordered at the warehouse due to their popularity. They should all be here after the holidays.

Any leftover catalogues please return to the office so they can be re-used. If you would like to order at another stage feel free to keep them.

If you missed getting your order in, pop it into the office by Thursday and you will get your books after the holidays.

Thanks very much.

Jenny Coyle.

RE-OPENING OF THE TITIRANGI LIBRARY

Congratulations to Angelina T. who has been asked to read her award winning poem "Magic in the Library", at the re-opening of the Titirangi Community Library on Tuesday the 20th October.

DISSECTION

Year 2-4 GATE students have spent this term looking at brain function and memory. This Thursday they enjoyed the very real experience of dissecting a pig's brain. "It was a great opportunity to learn. It looked like spaghetti and cream but it smelt like nothing, which surprised me." Millicent. Year 4.



PTA PATCH

Hi from your newly elected PTA committee. We'd just like to remind you of our next meeting on **Tuesday 13 October at 1.30pm** in the Staffroom.

Shortly after that we have a brainstorming session for fundraising ideas. A proposed date is **Friday 23 October at 1.00 pm** in the Presbyterian Church Hall, opposite the school. Please e-mail Louise on brentandlou@paradise.net.nz if you can attend. All parents are welcome to join us. Bring along your new and interesting ideas for our school's fundraising endeavours!

We look forward to working with you all – Christine Landers (Chairperson), Jennifer Swain (Vice-Chair), Maree Oxley (Treasurer), Louise Postlewaight (Secretary), Jonathan Lambert (Teacher Representative), Karen Nash (Board Representative), Katie Hutchinson, Amanda Burr, Rachele Caverhill-Evans, Victoria Jack, Rebecca Robertson (Committee Members)

PTA LUNCH ORDER

This Friday 25 September, the BBQ lunch will be run as a fundraiser for our school Netball teams by the parents. Please look out for the lunch order forms which will be sent home today and return your orders by Thursday at 9:30am. Forms are also available from the office.

TITIRANGI PRIMARY SCHOOL GALA 14 NOVEMBER

Please look out for the gala notice coming home with your children this week.

Time to make your jolly jars over the school holidays, spring clean for the white elephant and donate chipped crockery for the smash palace.

GALA MEETING REMINDER

There will be a Gala meeting at 1.30 in the staffroom on Tuesday 22 September.

APPEAL FOR TILES

Room 11. We are looking for donations of any old tiles for a mosaic project we are doing in Term Four. Thanks.

INTERSCHOOL NETBALL & SOCCER

Netball: A belated congratulations to all the interschool netball teams, they all trained hard and played well on the day. Everyone displayed true sportmanship throughout the tournament. Well done especially to the teams who played netball for their first time; they did the school proud.

Titirangi 6 played in the finals - and were definite winners in our eyes! Thanks to all our wonderful parent helpers and umpires on the day - we couldn't of managed without you. Tu meke.

Soccer: The day was fine but a very cold southerly wind made conditions challenging early on. The fields had been cut-up and the playing surface made passing accurately almost impossible, so the players had to adapt quickly to these conditions! Luckily there no injuries of note.

Our teams played either four or five preliminary games before the finals. We were very lucky to have excellent parent managers who supported their teams throughout the day. Unfortunately we didn't bring back to school the division one cup that we won last year, but our players tried really hard to represent their school to the best of their ability and put in a performance in that they can proud of despite tricky conditions. Well done all!

Community Notices

West Auckland School of Guitar and harmonica. Expert tuition for all ages and all levels. Phone Grant Scott (Bachelor of Music Education , Dip Teaching) on 817 4467.

BubbleDome Holiday workshops. 3D Animation and Games Design, Web and Graphics, Digital Illustrating, Architecture, Fashion and Wearable Arts. For a venue near you contact info@bubbledome.co.nz or visit www.bubbledome.co.nz or phone 622 0670.

Join in the excitement of our school holiday activities. Ethnic cooking, blo-karting, a Funky Monkeys show, robotics with LEGO, abseiling and so much more. Programmes for children 5 to 14 years are available weekdays from 28 September to 9 October. **Please enrol now – some places still available.** Phone Parnell Trust 379 2095 x9724, email pfc@parnell.org.nz or visit www.parnell.org.nz

Come dance along and sing to Gerry and the Crocodettes -new and exciting NZ children's entertainment group@Titirangi Theatre, 6 October. Tickets \$10. See thecrocodettes.com *

LEARN GUITAR AT SCHOOL – Our students have the opportunity to benefit from specialist instrumental instruction in one to one lessons here at school. Lesson costs are \$25.50 for a half hour lesson For more information or to enrol, please contact the Music Education Centre on 444-5654. ”

I am pleased to advise you of some FUN 'Have a go' football festivals that New Zealand Football will be running during the **OFC U-20 Women's Championship** 5-9th October 2009 at North Harbour Stadium, Albany.

The festivals are aimed at Girls aged 6-12 years and will take place prior to the 1st match at 11am on each game day (5th, 7th and 9th October). This is a great opportunity to meet some of the **Football Ferns** (New Zealand Football's Senior Women's Team) who will be in attendance giving out signed prizes.

Should you wish to register anyone to take part please email registrations@nzfootball.co.nz – Limited spaces!
Gold Coin donation on the day to take part.

The Loritz Circus will be at Shadbolt Park, Portage Road, New Lynn from 14 – 25 October. Flyers available from the school office.

WESTERN SOFTBALL TEE-BALL and SOFTBALL

Any one wishing to play softball on Saturdays practice will be on Tuesday after school at school.

Under 6, 8, 10 and Under 12 softball at 3.15pm-4.00pm.

Fees are \$20. First game is 31st October at Brains Park Kelston and we play thru to the end of March.

Phone the coaching co-coordinator Tony Cathro for any enquires on 833-7040.

SNOW PLANET.

Have fun at Snowplanet these September/October school holidays. Snowplanet, offering a winter wonderland experience just 20 minutes north of the Bridge, is a wonderful school holiday destination. The very popular 5 day kid's school holiday programme comes with a 2 hour ski or snowboard group lesson (beginners to advanced) each day, rental equipment, a graduation meal on the last day, a certificate of accomplishment and a huge amount of fun! For enquiries or bookings call Snowplanet on 09 427 0044 xtn 725 or e-mail schools@snowplanet.co.nz. Visit Snowplanet's website on www.snowplanet.co.nz

Holiday Programme at Lopdell House Studio

Monday 28 September – Friday 2 October 10am – 2pm.

Workshops ranging from 'Magical Inventions' to Jewellery making for boys and girls Suitable for 6 – 12 year olds

Fee \$40 to \$45 / child / day (family discount) - workshop depending

Please see website www.lopdell.org.nz for more info or phone 817 8087 X 201

SPORTS NOTICE

FLIPPA BALL

Term 4 games on Sunday afternoons from 18th Oct 09 to 13 Dec 09

Y3&4s @ West Wave, Henderson

Y5&6s @ Waterhole, Parrs Park

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE Friday 25th Sept 09

forms available from the office or by emailing

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for more information contact Andy Evans

by the above email or ph 027 326 0304

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