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Nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa. Greetings everyone.

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✗ **This week** we were all saddened to learn that Maureen's mother passed away in Thames. Our thoughts are with Maureen and her family at this very sad time.

✗ **Heart Jam** – On Thursday 27th May the whole school will be participating in Heart Jam for fitness to raise money for Kiwi Kids with Heart Conditions. Children are encouraged to bring a gold coin to create a coin trail.

✗ **Jump Rope for Heart Skip-a-thon Challenge** - A booklet was given to each child last week. (NOTE: There were no envelopes provided.) The Jump off day is Friday 21st May where families are welcome to come along and support the children and join in if they like.

✗ **Year 5 & 6 Ski Trip FORMS & Reminder.** Please send the permission and health forms back to school as soon as possible. Children's payments (\$130.00 per child) can be sent along to school at any time, as part payments or in full.

✗ **For Sale:** Ski Jacket Pale Blue Padded with zip out sleeves Size 12—\$15 Pink Waterproof Pants Size 10—\$10 Pink Nike snow boots approx 22 cm - \$10 all in excellent condition Phone Philippa (09) 4059638

✗ **Spagehetti Buns Friday at lunch \$1.50 each & Chocolate Dipped Bananas \$1.00 each.**

✗ **Ski Trip Meeting**— There will be a ski trip meeting in Room 2 on Tuesday 8th June at 5.30 pm.

✗ **Quiz Night**—As part of our fundraising for the ski trip a quiz night is planned for Thursday June 10th at the Mid North Motor Inn at 7 pm. It would be great to have as many teams as possible there. \$40 per team of 6 people. Meals are available for \$10. Teams to Alicia by Friday 4th June.

✗ **Teacher Only Day On Friday May 28th** - school will be closed as all staff will be involved in the Gaye Byers writing course which will be taking place on Friday 28th, Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th May. OSCAR will not operate on this day.

✗ **Firewood Raffle 1 cubic metre. Free delivery in the local Kaikohe/Ohaeawai area.** 200 tickets \$2.00 per ticket. Drawn when all sold. Tickets available from the school office. Parents of the ski trip children and any others who would like to sell these are most welcome to come and collect some from the school office or phone. See Maureen. Thank you.

✗ **Art for sale** - In the school foyer. 2 Paintings by Nicola Bew. They are for sale at \$250.00 each with the proceeds going to the Years 5 & 6 ski trip. As they are sold they will be replaced with new ones. Do come in and have a look at them. We also have corrugated iron fish made by Jason Coles for sale at \$25 each—Proceeds to the Ski Trip.

✗ **Young Leaders Conference**—Last week we took twelve of our year 6 students down to Auckland to the Young Leaders Conference held at the Logan Campbell Centre in Greenlane. This was a great day with lots of very good speakers. The children who went will be reporting back to the whole school at an assembly in the future.

Board of Trustee Elections: Due to Maureen, our Returning Officer being away this week the voting papers have not yet been opened or counted. This will be done early next week and the results published in next weeks newsletter.

Calendar Corner

21 May - Skip-a-thon Jump off

28 May - Teacher only day

22 Jul - Kahurangi Dance Show

17 Aug - Cool Kids Show

Tuesdays: Toys Day

Wednesdays: Wheels Day

Fridays: School Banking: Westpac & ASB

Spag. buns \$1.50 and Chocolate Dipped

Bananas \$1.00



Silent Auction: As you would all be aware we are trying to raise funds for the ski trip in September. A silent auction is planned for later this term so we desperately need items for the auction. If you have any new items or are able to approach a business for us please let us know at school as we have a letter of authorisation if you need it. Many thanks to those parents who are already working hard to get items for the auction.

Hockey: Ohaeawai Dragons need to be at the turf, Field 2 at 9.20 am. Ohaeawai Titans need to be at the turf, Field 1 at 10.10am and Ohaeawai Dynamos need to be at the turf at 11.00 Field 2. Ohaeawai Dragons and Titans practice will be on Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 to 3:30. Children need to come to school prepared with the correct equipment for training. The school will provide sticks. Dynamos practice Tuesday 2:30—3:30—alternate between school and the turf.

Soccer:

OW Jaguars v Rusl Rascals 9:00 Ohaeawai Sch
OW Tigers v BC Oromahoe 9:00 Oromahoe Sch
OW Sharks v Rusl Penguins (to be confirmed)
OW Warriors v Rusl Rockets 10:00 Ohaeawai Sch
OW Bulldogs v Paihia Orcas 10:00 Bledisloe Dom
OW Troopers v Keri Professionals 11:00 Ohaeawai Sch
DRAWS Check draws in newsletter as sometimes the draws may be changed. *Liz Ross Rm 5*

RESULTS: PLEASE txt to 0274 795 206 please on Saturday after their game. I can then pass this on to United Soccer 1 to put up on their website by Sunday. Thank you. Leisa.

REMEMBER: Cancellations will be sent through to More FM/Classic Hits/Newstalk ZB by 7:00am or a message will be left on the United Soccer 1 answer phone at 09 4377294 after 7:00am.

Duffy Books in Homes

This week we received notification from Duffy Books in Homes that Mt Pokaka in Kerikeri is our sponsor for the programme. We are extremely grateful for their sponsorship. Please support them.

Rm 1 Yr 5 & 6 Mrs Brajkovich

Please send your homelink books back to school so that we can add more notes. Our mini inquiries on an animal or thing are going well and we have almost completed our draft reports. We have had to do a few detours to remind ourselves about the difference between relevant and irrelevant information, and how to best change a model to suit a different subject, but otherwise we are working really well. Congratulations this week go to Leon for being the class expert with stem and leaf graphs.

Life Education Trust

Thanks to Floyed Automotive and Styles Hair Salon who sponsored the recent Life Education visit.

ALWAYS Remember to always wash your hands to keep them clean. This helps protect you from catching colds, tummy aches and other assorted bugs.



Rm 5 Yrs 2 & 3 Ms Ross

The weather this week has been atrocious, but I am very pleased with all the sensible inside behaviour at morning tea and lunch times. A reminder to parents that on wet days we often keep classes inside while they wait after school, if you are looking for your child on a wet day they may be in the classroom.

In reading we have been working on developing our independent activities. Children are now familiar with where to look to see what activities they are doing and are working better independently. This is enabling myself and Whaea Karen to work with reading groups without interruptions. Knowledge of math basic facts is developing well. We continue to practise these regularly in class.

Rm 2 Yr 6 Mrs Craig

Tena Koutou Katoa.

Well what a very wet week—the farmers will be so pleased. This week we watched a DVD called Amber Time Machine. We learnt lots about these fossils trapped in amber. It is amazing what they discovered by using the insects/animals preserved in the amber. On Monday the children completed an assessment for Maths on Addition and Subtraction to see what they have learnt so far and what their gaps are so we know where to go next in their learning. We are going to be looking at multiplication and division for the rest of the term, as well as measurement. Just a quick note about homework—I don't set homework unless there is something specific but the children should have readers each night as well as their basic facts.

Rm 3 Yr 1 Mrs Ritchie & Miss Nicola

We are having a wonderful time this week in Room 3. We are drying our clay ready to make our own flutes and we will be learning how to play the recorder. We are doing geometry in Maths at the moment and are discovering different shapes and learning to describe them. In art we will be investigating weaving patterns. Let you know how we get on next week.
Miss Nicola

Rm 6 Yrs 4 & 5 Mr Hill

Kia Ora

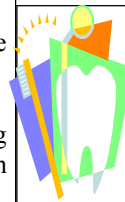
Ohaeawai PIGEON model of inquiry – I have split the class into groups and each group will study one famous face of our New Zealand money. Yesterday Miss Stevenson took the groups through the INITIATING stage, where they had to brainstorm some rich questions that would help them discover who their famous icon is. In maths, we have begun our fractions focus as a class, and the children seem to be enjoying the new maths topic. We are wrapping up our narrative writing focus this week, so tomorrow they will begin drafting up our last imaginative and creative narrative stories. Hope you all have a wonderful weekend and I'll see you next week. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us next week.

Rm 4 Yrs 3 & 4 Miss Ritchie

Tena koutou katoa

What a wet week we have had this week. It's great for the tanks! In maths this week we have been continuing with our geometry and have been looking at shape symmetry, rotation, translation and reflection. In writing children are getting the hang of putting capital letters in the right place (proper nouns and at the start of a sentence) and are using adjectives to make their writing more exciting. Thank you to all the children who bring their book bags each day and read at home each night.

NITS: Parents remember to check your child's hair for these. Thank you from all other parents and children!



Dental Clinic contact number for appointments is: 0800 698 3384

Rm 7 Yrs 1 & 2 Miss Huxtable

Kia ora.

Our number frieze looks great, the Room 2 children were great teachers and Room 7 really enjoyed choosing what each number page would look like.

We have been enjoying using musical instruments in class, we are learning to keep a beat and increase or decrease the volume, tempo and pitch. We all have an understanding of how sound is made and can explain in simple terms how sound travels.

Next Friday is Jump Rope for Heart day, don't forget to collect some sponsors, this money goes to a worthy cause and the children can win great prizes.

Lee Whitelaw Principal

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