



NEWSLETTER

MISSION: Together we will encourage, challenge and inspire each other towards a love of learning.

Central School

Te Kura Waenga o Ngāmotu
Mā te ākongā te iti kahurangi e whai atu
Strive for excellence

15 September 2015

Ngā mihi ki te whānau o te Kura Waenga o Ngāmotu

MEET JESS



I have been very remiss in not introducing you to our magic second teacher in Room 9. Jess McKendry is working with us as a student teacher until the end of term, although rumour has it she is coming back to help with SOMAD. Jess is a very confident and committed teacher and Room 9 is certainly benefitting from her teaching over the seven weeks she is on her practicum.

Jess heralds from Wellington and while she

has not been in NP for long she is well settled with her fiancé. A keen sportswoman, Jess has been enjoying getting back into hockey this year.

AND MATUA PETER IS IN TWO ROLES NOW



We are very pleased to have managed to nab Matua Peter full time for a few weeks and Room 6 students will be the ones to gain from this. Bonnie is supporting Matua to complete his teaching qualification. We can all be spellbound by his stories even more often now.

Matua is a dad of 11 and koro of 15. He whakapapas to Tainui, Taranaki and Te Atiawa.

NP CROSS COUNTRY



The students represented us proudly, both in the running capacity and as representatives of Te Kura Waenga o Ngāmotu, at the NPCC last week. Thanks to all the parent supporters and to Glynn for taking them.

INTERNATIONAL DAY - a whole school whānau day. Photos attached

Yesterday was made most special by the large number of school parents who led the learning in so many rooms. Learning in context becomes even stronger when the experts are our very own. To all our parents who shared your knowledge, dances, songs, games, sports, culture, language, laughter, and stories; thank you for your generosity of time and aroha. We are so much richer for your contribution to our learning.

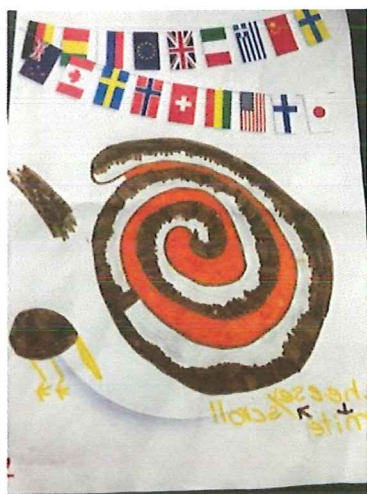
SCIENCE FAIR - Congratulations to our exhibitors!

Do enjoy Glynn's report, as attached, on the excellent entries and prize winners at the Primary schools science fair last week.

INTERNATIONAL LUNCH - TICKETS SELLING NOW AT THE OFFICE - ADULTS \$10 - CHILDREN \$5

Many congratulations to Isaac B from Room 8 who wins the family pass to the International Lunch with his excellent Cheesey-mite scroll!

Runners up are Liduska, Noah S-B and Maya Becker. A child's ticket will be given to each of them. Thank you



so much to everyone who took part in the competition, judging was no easy task! The entries will be on display on Friday.

A flyer will come home with children later this week with a label which can be used on your dish. We will also give you some reminders about how things work on the day. Tickets are selling fast, they can be obtained from Ms Sutton in the office. Any queries please contact your child's teacher or Crissie on 757 4256.

LISA O'NEILL - a great evening's entertainment

There are still a few tickets left for tomorrow night. Lisa is a stylist with an excellent sense of humour so you can expect to entertained as well as finding out all of this season's hot tips!

CALENDARS, CARDS AND DIARIES - buy your Christmas gifts now

Every year school pupils create some art works that can be made into calendars, cards and diaries. Parents are then invited to view the art works and make an order to buy their child's art as a calendar, card or diary. The order takes several weeks to be completed. This is a chance for families to have Christmas gifts, perhaps for grandparents. It is also a successful fundraiser whereby any profit made goes towards a school project.

Please visit the classrooms and view the work, and then place an order:

- Calendars \$12
- Cards \$12.50
- Diaries \$16

ORDERS to be completed by Thursday 15 October (Week 1, Term 4)

Any queries please see Anne Fromont

HATS- yes that time again! CAN WE ASK YOUR URGENT ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER?

Yesterday's weather certainly proved the urgent need for all students to be wearing sunhats every day.

So too, we ask that sunscreen becomes an every day item for the schoolbags. Although the temperature is not yet heralding spring, our spring sun is very dangerous and it is vital that we all learn to and remember to protect ourselves.

Vicki has hats for sale at a subsidised price in the school office. There are all sorts of colours to choose from. However there is no compulsion to have a school hat as long as we are wearing hats with brims at least 6 cms all round. Obviously this excludes caps.

Children not wearing sunhats outside will only be allowed to play in the shade.

THE GREAT FRESH AIR CHALLENGE -SEPTEMBER

We are half way through the Fresh Air Challenge and it has been wonderful to see so many of our children making an effort to find a more sustainable way to get to school. We would love to see an even bigger decrease in the number of children dropped off and collected at the school gates and especially encourage students in Years 4 to 6 to utilise the Park and Walks further up Gover Street. Even just dropping or collecting your child a block away allows them to contribute to their class' running total of sustainable trips for the month of September.

REDUCING CHAOS AT THE SCHOOL GATES

Please do not park in the disabled parks on Pendarves Street unless you have a mobility sticker on display. These parks are not an extension of the kiss and drop and should not be used as such in any circumstances, as we have members of our school community who need these parks.

KISS AND DROP ZONES - Year 6 students

From the beginning of Term 4, all Year 6 students will be expected to "Park and Walk" rather than use Kiss and Drops. Please organise a new collection point for your Year 6 child, who can support younger siblings in walking safely to the new collection point if necessary. This is part of our goal in building independence with the Year 6 children as they begin the transition to

Intermediate and also to ease the congestion we are seeing at the Kiss and Drop at 3.00. The new Let's Go maps that were sent home recently outline some useful parking areas that allow students to walk to your waiting car a block or two away. All of the students have had road safety training and should be building their confidence with crossing roads, so we ask for your support in fostering this independence in our oldest students.

SPORT NOTICES

WINTER SPORT PRIZE GIVING - NOTE CHANGES

In weeks 9 and 10 there will be 2 prize givings for the winter sport teams to recognise player achievement. At this stage basketball, mini ball, hockey and netball will be on Tuesday 22 September in the hall at 3.30 pm, and football will be on **Thursday 24 September at 3.30 p.m.** We ask that students bring a plate. Football players are asked to bring their boots for a run around.

SUMMER SPORT- Cricket and Touch

This season there is a change of structure for junior primary cricket. **JP 1-3 play hard ball cricket** (typically years 4 to 6). Anyone from Central School who plays in this grade will play for Old Boys Cricket Club. These players need to register with Old Boys on Tuesday 15 September between 4.30-5.30pm at New Plymouth Old Boys' Cricket Club (Western Park, Morley Street, NP) **JP4-5 who play Incrediball cricket** (typically years 3 to 5 or year 6 children new to cricket) and **Kiwi cricket** will still be run by Central School.

Touch registrations are due by 16 October.

There will be **summer league football and inline hockey** information coming soon. We will send out a letter with details in due course.
Roll on summer!

SPORT UNIFORMS RETURNS

Please return your clean uniforms in a named plastic bag as soon as possible.

