

KAI IWI SCHOOL

Community Newsletter



Week 4 Term 4 - 3rd November 2016

A Thought

Anyone can give up, it's the easiest thing in the world to do. But to hold it together when everyone else would understand if you fell apart, that's true strength. (Author unknown)

Hi Everyone,

Well, we are now four weeks into the term and what a busy time we've had so far. Our school wide topic is 'Busy Bodies' and our main

focus is learning about how our senses function and enable us to interact with the world. To introduce the topic to our students the teachers spent a day of their holidays creating a 'Sensory Space' within the library where students could go and explore objects through their senses. In week one we had a visit from Tracey Jones from Hearing Wanganui who gave a very interesting presentation called 'Dangerous Decibels' showing how our ears work as a sensory organ, and how to protect our ears from irreversible damage.

In addition to learning about our senses, students in Rooms 2 and 4 are working through the 'Sexuality Road - Discovering Me' programme, learning about the physical, social and emotional changes their body undergoes as they approach and progress through puberty, and learning positive coping strategies they can use to make this journey as smooth as possible. The programme is partly run by an educator from Family Planning.

Week 2 began with an exciting event for all - Pet Day. Thankfully the weather stayed fine and we had a wonderful day of competitions and fun. Many thanks to FOKIS and the parents who put in so much of their spare time to making sure Pet Day ran smoothly, and some of you were even there cleaning up at the very end. Niki, you did an amazing job of producing all that baking with Room 2, so a big thanks for that. Many thanks to our wonderful judges that come along and cast a discerning eye over our indoor displays, team scarecrows, and pets - you have a very important role to play on Pet Day and we

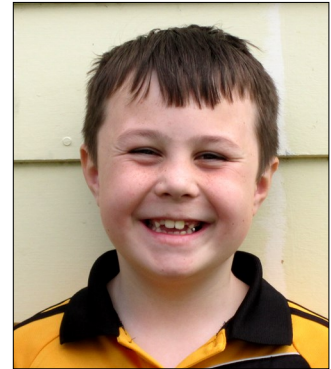
really appreciate your efforts. It was also lovely to see so many ex-Kai Iwi students attending Pet Day and getting stuck in where help was needed. Without everyone's support this wouldn't be such a successful day.

In Week 3 we had a visit from two members of the Education Review team who spent three days getting to know how we deliver the curriculum at Kai Iwi school, and how we are managed and governed by the Principal and Board of Trustees. They had many very positive things to say in their verbal feedback, and gave us suggestions for improvements in a couple of areas.

Also in Week 3 I sent my four fastest and most agile students (Heath and Isabelle McKenzie, Nellie and Izaac Coe) along to the stadium to compete in the Police Competency Test Challenge. They had to complete a range of physical activities in the fastest time against students from 12 other schools. The physical challenges are the same as the police have to pass to enter the police force, and are tested every two years thereafter. Well, not only did we win the team challenge, but Heath achieved the second fastest time overall and therefore will go on to compete at a national level at the Police College in Porirua later this month. Well done Kai Iwi kids - I am so proud of you all.

Each day teachers are giving students training in a range of athletics skills in preparation for our upcoming athletics competitions. The Years 5 & 6 students also have golf lessons each Friday with Sport Wanganui. Later in the term we have the Tough Kids

Proud to be a
Kai Iwi Kid



I like the playground and
Miss Kidd, my teacher.

Damian Hare (STAR Rm)

competition at Cooks Gardens, an event everyone looks forward to. If you feel physically fit and enjoy a fun challenge please consider being part of the Kai Iwi parents/teachers team.

Our school has entered the AIA Healthy Kids Challenge which is designed to get kids a lot more active. Each student wears a pedometer which counts the number of steps they take throughout the day. These scores are tallied and a daily average worked out which is then recorded on the AIA website. This then takes the kids on a virtual tour around various parts of the world led by Gemma Flynn and Corey Jane. Not only do the kids get physically fitter, but they learn about some very important places in our world and there are some great prizes up for grabs, too. Unfortunately, we've had some hiccups with some pedometers not working properly so Room 4 has run out of spares. Let's hope the remaining ones continue to work well.

Camp Talk: I would just like to let everyone know what a fantastic Senior Camp we had at El Rancho at the end of Term 3, and I had a great bunch of parent helpers in support. Many thanks to

Tina, Richie 1, Richie 2, Anna, Mandy and Louise for the great contribution you made to the success of our camp. And a special thanks to Tina for capturing over 500 magical memories on camera that we can all enjoy over and over again. Students were able to enjoy kayaking, horse riding, team initiatives, rock wall climbing, shooting, archery and archery soft, waterslide, orienteering and a confidence course, as well as a trip to the beach, shoe-tree climbing (Hmmm), visiting the Aquatic Centre, Wellington Zoo, and the brilliant Gallipoli display at Te Papa. No wonder they had an amazing time and came back pooped!

In the next few weeks teachers will be carrying out end of year testing to determine students' progress against the National Standards, so please try to ensure your child comes to school well rested - no late nights if possible, please.

Well, that's about it from me for this part of the term. Hopefully I will see you at assembly on Friday.

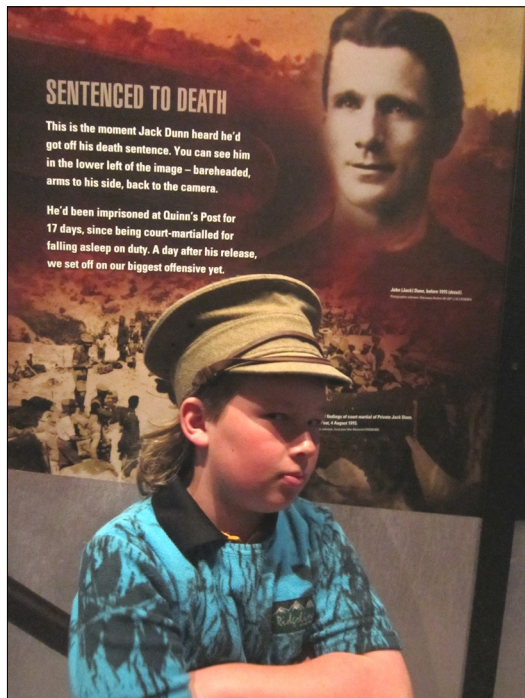


Cheers, **Trish Wakeling**



Seniors learning the skills of Kayaking, Horse Riding and Archery at El Rancho.





Te Papa ANZAC exhibition (with Corporal Connor!)



Enjoying the Climbing Wall challenge.



Zoo fun!!



PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Tena Koutou Katoa, Hi everyone,

Well, Trish seems to have covered pretty well what's been happening recently at school so this will be brief. Was wonderful to see so many of our Community at Pet Day. Thank you all for coming along to support our big fundraiser of the year. FOKIS made approximately \$1,500 which will go towards shade sails for the 'grandstand'.

The end of year is fast approaching with just over 6 weeks left before we break up for Term 4 on December 16th. It has been a very busy term for us all. Our Prizegiving is to be held on the evening of Thursday, 15th December and on the final day there will be a whole school outing (venue yet to be determined).

Is there anyone out there who would like to help with reading from 9 - 10.30am each day. Even if you can only spare a day or two that would be helpful. This is purely voluntary. If you can help please phone me or come and see me.

That is all for today. Have a great week.

Ross Harvey, **PRINCIPAL**

TOUCH RUGBY REPORT

This week we played Mosston School. We had an awesome game. Everyone got out there and tried their best. We won 4-1. The Fair Play Awards went to Traedyn and Luka and Player of the Day went to Bronson. Ka pai Bronson!

Racheal Mackenzie

SCHOOL PHOTOS TO BE COLLECTED

The following families have photos yet to be picked up from the school office. Please do so ASAP. Thank you.

Hawira (x 2)	Rogerson-Kearse
Hawira-Harrison	White
Valentine	Pearce
Payne	Allen
Jones	Coe
Lennox	Roberts
Denzel	



SCHOOL TROPHIES

If your child was the recipient of a trophy at last year's Prizegiving can you please return it to the school office ASAP in a clean, POLISHED condition. Thank you.



UNIFORM ORDERS

A reminder that these are due back TOMORROW. This is what we have been advised by the supplier regarding stock levels:-

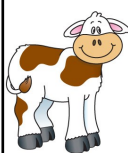
Jacket - Plenty available

Polar Fleece - out of stock size 6, due mid/late Feb

Polo Shirts - out of stock sizes 6 & 8, due mid Jan.

The black shorts, cargo pants & skorts can be purchased from The Warehouse.

WAVERLEY SCHOOL GROUP DAY



This is a competition for **Lambs and Calves** (similar to our Pet Day). If your child wishes to participate with their animal it is on next Tuesday, starting at 10.30am, Waverley Primary School.



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PET DAY SPONSORS

A BIG THANK YOU to the following who sponsored our Pet Day. Your contributions were very much appreciated. To our Community - please return the support if possible, by using these businesses. Thank you.

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