

# KAI IWI SCHOOL NEWSFLASH!

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**Week 5, Term 3**

**25th August 2016**

## PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Tena Koutou Katoa Hi Everyone

On Monday we held our school speeches in the library and it was great to see so many parents turn up to support their child.

Performing a speech in front of other people is a daunting task and for our students, from as young as five, standing up in front of everyone and speaking as well as they did is remarkable.

Four students were chosen by the judges to represent Kai Iwi School at the Cluster Speech Competition held on Tuesday at Faith City School. They were Toby Corcoran and Lexie McDougal in the year 4-6 category and Isabelle McKenzie and Heath McKenzie in the year 7-8 category.

After all the competitors from the various schools had finished their speeches, the results came in and Kai Iwi School did extremely well with Lexie McDougal taking out 3rd place in the juniors, Isabelle McKenzie 2<sup>nd</sup> in the seniors and Heath McKenzie 1<sup>st</sup> in the seniors, so you could say Kai Iwi School cleaned up!



Already teachers have noticed that the levels of engagement have risen with the use of our new Chromebooks and iPads.



← Some room one children working on their new iPads.



↑ Some of the Boys class working with the new Chromebooks

Don't forget we have our **School Cross Country** run TOMORROW starting at 1pm (5 yr olds first) weather permitting, otherwise we will have it on Monday. There will be a pre-schoolers race after the 5yr olds.

After our school races, children will be chosen to attend the **West Cluster Cross Country** at Westmere School. The programme is as follows:-

### FRIDAY, 2 September 2016

*(Postponement Monday 5 September)*

**PREVIEW TIME:** 12.00 noon-12.30pm  
*(If you would like to walk the course)*

**START TIME:** 12.45 pm sharp  
*(Please be seated before this time)*

**FINISHING TIME:** 2.30 pm approx.

**RACES:** Will be in ages *(Ages are taken on the day of the race & Boys & Girls to run separate races)*

Over the past few weeks we have been lucky enough to have two children visit our school and spend some time with us. Their names are Lennart and Merel, and they are cousins of Yuri and Zoë who are in Room 2 and Room 4. It has been fun meeting you both and talking with you through Yuri, the *Interpreter!* I hope you both enjoyed visiting Kai Iwi School and will go back to your school in Holland and tell your friends all about school life in New Zealand. Vaarwel en Goede Reis.

Ross Harvey,  
**PRINCIPAL**

### **SCHOOL PHOTOS** **TUESDAY, 6th SEPTEMBER**

School photos are to be taken on the above day starting at 1.30pm. Please find enclosed with this newsletter order forms. Each child has their own envelope for you to complete. Payment for families can be put in your eldest child's envelope + write on the others stating which envelope payment is in. We also have **TEAM** order forms, so if you would like a Team photo (for Netball, Hockey, etc) please request the form from the school office ASAP. The same goes for **SIBLING** photo orders. Team Coaches and Managers, it would be great to have you in the photos too if you can make it.

All children must wear school uniform for class and team photos.



### **Teachers Union Meeting**

**Friday, 9th September**

All teachers, except one, will be attending a Union Meeting in the afternoon of the above day. We would appreciate it if arrangements could be made for your child(ren) to be picked up from school at 12.30pm. There shall be one teacher in attendance at school if you are unable to make other arrangements for this afternoon. The school buses will run at the normal time if there are any children at school. Please contact Ross if your child will be attending school on this afternoon. See below the flyer regarding this Union Meeting.

**CLAIM:** THE GOVERNMENT SAYS THEIR PROPOSED MODEL ISN'T BULK FUNDING...

**FACT:** THE "GLOBAL BUDGET" IS BULK FUNDING UNDER A NEW NAME.

The Government's proposing a "global budget" for education that removes the split between funding for staff and funding for operations. Schools will be forced to trade off the costs of teaching staff against other costs, which means:

- fewer teachers and bigger class sizes
- no consistent student/teacher ratios for year levels
- increased casualisation of teaching jobs
- even more downwards pressure on support staff pay
- passing the buck for issues like class size onto schools
- increased inequality — bigger and richer schools can raise funds to hire teachers, while smaller and rural schools will struggle

They're calling it a global budget, but it's just bulk funding under a different name. Teachers and parents rejected this years ago, and we still don't want it today. We want the Government to know that we're not interested.

The PPTA and NZEI Te Riu Roa are holding joint paid union meetings all over the country to decide how we'll fight this.

### **OFFICE COMPUTER EMAIL GLITCH !**

Last week our server had a melt down (literally!) and I have lost my current email address book AGAIN plus emails between February and last week!! And YES, that means my Group Newsletter contacts - grrr! As there were so many, I cannot remember who was on it so, if you were on it, please send a short email message with 'Newsletter please' in subject line and I will start a new one (office@kaiiwi.school.nz). Please be aware that Newsletters are now appearing on our website as well.

Thanks, **Wendy**



### HOCKEY REPORT

Not only was our game at 6.40pm but it was raining hard! Could our last game of the season be cancelled? I know the parents were all hoping YES PLEASE but NO was the email reply I got from Hockey Wanganui. Alright kids, we can do this, and if you're going to get wet and possibly sick, then so am I. We rocked up to face St Anne's in our final game rain, hail or snow. These kids were ready to finish the season off with a blast. Hello - where is the rest of your team I asked the only 3 boys that turned up from St Anne's? The hooter goes to sound off the start of the game and we didn't have a team to play. So as we were already half wet and the kids were amped to still play we decided to have a fun game together with whoever wanted to play, which included a couple of teenagers and an adult. Yes, we won by default but it didn't matter, it was just so cool to see these kids out there going hard in the rain, playing the game they love. To top it off, each team member scored at least 1 goal each 1st night in which we had 2 happy excited girls (Emma and Rakeinohowhetu). Well done. Lastly, thanks to all kids and parents for yet another awesome season with an awesome, competitive bunch of star players. I look forward to seeing you all grow in the game and no doubt will see you all on the turf next year.

***Renee Henry***



### NETBALL REPORT

Apologies to everyone but I've made an error stating how many games we have left to play. This week is NOT the finals. We still have 2 games left. On Saturday the girls were amped and ready to take down St George's and the nerves were kicking in. The first quarter started to gain some pace and we had the lead at the whistle 1-2 but foot work and some passing errors let us down. In the 3rd quarter Kai Iwi was working hard for every goal and we were getting a few by that stage. Great work from our superstar shooters. Player of the Day went to Annabel Corcoran for an outstanding game at G.A. Congratulations to you Annabel, keep up the good work (Maria Tutaia might just have to watch out!). Ana, Isabelle and also Alyse had great speed throughout the last quarter and you all worked as a team to bring home the 11 - 8 win! Well Done! Don't forget to give each other a pat on the back. You girls have come to each practice and game day dedicated to your team, with heaps of enthusiasm and encouragement - fabulous Sportsmanship. GO Kai Iwi - let's all make lots of noise on Saturday! Bring your support crew along. That's all for this week.

***Louise Hartell***

**Netball Draw** - KIS A vs WIS D1 Ct 7 10.30am  
Please be there by 10.10am!

### FOKIS NEWS

Hi all,

Next week's item for our grocery raffle is a **BOXED** item please (ie cereal, tissues, washing powder, jelly, etc). Previous weeks items were a **CANNED** item and a **PACKET** item. If you haven't already sent them along we would appreciate your contribution. Many thanks to those who have sent theirs in already.

We would also be grateful for a wrapped gift (no more than \$2) to go in the Lucky Dip box. Please wrap & state on the outside 'Girl' or 'Boy'. Thank you.

**FOKIS Meeting** - This is to be held on **Monday** (29th August) at 3pm in the school library to discuss Pet Day. We look forward to all our New Members joining us - the more the merrier! If you have shown interest in joining our group but cannot make it, please email Niki White on whiteandblack@xtra.co.nz Thank you.

***Niki White***