

KAI IWI SCHOOL

Community Newsletter



Week 4 Term 2 - 25th May 2017

A Thought

Common sense is genius dressed in its working clothes.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Hi Everyone,

Well, winter has made its presence felt at last as we approach the halfway mark of the term. Our integrated topic for this term is learning about celebrations around the world with each classroom using

the STEPS Inquiry model to conduct their research. Students are also learning dances and creating crafts and artworks related to these celebrations. As you will know from last week's newsletter the school is visiting the museum to further their learning about Matariki, which for Maori heralds the start of a new year. Please send in your return slips to let us know whether you are available to assist us with this trip.

Recently, a group of seniors attended a Gifted and Talented Speechmaking workshop at Westmere school to help them develop confidence and skills in speechmaking. Toby and Annabel's report will explain this further. The seniors are preparing their speeches at present and will soon compete against each other for the opportunity to represent our school at the Cluster speech competition in week 9.

This term the other four classes are developing their storytelling skills, and to help them along with this we invited storyteller 'Zebong' to showcase his talents as a teller of tales. Some of our boys also participated in a writing session with Zebong. His wonderful storytelling talents were enjoyed by all, especially as there were opportunities for children (and teachers) to be part of the stories as they unfolded. Look for Zoë's Zebong report.

Last week our junior classes participated in a very enjoyable tabloid sports day at Waverley school. I think the adults must have been getting in on the act as one teacher ended up in a wheelbarrow being pushed by Jane. Debra has a report on this event later in the newsletter.

Continuing on with sports, the seniors are training

for the upcoming Super 6 netball competition on June 8th at Laird Park, with Renee Henry kindly volunteering her time to prepare our teams. This is a very important competition as for the first time ever our West Country team has won the first two competitions for the year: Swimming and Softball. If we can win the netball and then the soccer we should have secured the Super 6 shield, which has never been done since the inception of the Super 6 competition in 2002. For those of you who are not familiar with Super 6, we compete against intermediate age students from Faith City, St Marcellin, St Anne's, St Mary's, and Westmere schools. The sports are swimming, softball, netball, soccer, racquet sports and touch rugby. We are very hopeful and very excited about our chances this year, and would love to have your support at Laird Park on the 8th June.

Many of our netball girls recently attended trials for the representative teams, and we are delighted to announce that Mia Henry and Zoë van de Wees made it into the Year 8 Rep team, whilst Ana Pearce, Cara Benseman and Annabel Corcoran have had callbacks to trial again for the Year 7 Rep. team. So, congrats to Mia and Zoë, and good luck Ana, Cara and Annabel.

The seniors are currently fundraising for their senior camp at Vertical Horizons. We have been selling raffle tickets for a **half side of lamb at \$2.00 each** and most tickets are now sold. If you would like a ticket please contact Trish at school, and be quick!! Another fundraiser is our **Book Sale**, and the advert for this was attached to our last week's newsletter.

Proud to be a
Kai Iwi Kid



I like Kai Iwi School because
everybody is nice and friendly.
Tyrel Lahina-Mackenzie, Rm 2

We hope to hold this later in the term and will have hot home-made soup and buns for sale at the event. **BUT we need your help!** We are asking all families and community members for **donations of books, DVDs, CDs, good quality games and puzzles** to sell at our Book Sale. These can be dropped off to Trish at school, or contact Heather Osborn (ph 3429-777 or 027 5440 688) if you would like goods collected. Please support us in this fundraiser and help make it a great success, and we can assure you there will be plenty of bargains to be had.

Miss Kidd attended our staff meeting yesterday, and although not yet fit for work, she was looking well. We hope your broken arm mends completely, with no on-going issues, Emma.

There will be **no assembly** this week as three staff

members are attending professional development. We will hold an assembly at the usual time next week instead.

Well, that's it from me, so enjoy your weekend and don't forget to have a sort out of books, etc. for our sale.

Cheers,

Trish Wakeling



Our two Year 8 Netball Reps - Mia and Zoë

ASSEMBLY
There is **NO ASSEMBLY**
TOMORROW.
It will be next week instead.

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Hi Everyone Tena Koutou Katoa

Our juniors went to the Tabloid sports day at Waverley Primary last Friday and although the weather was a little windy the kids still enjoyed the various fun activities that had been set up for them.

The tabloid sports day was an initiative suggested by me at our West Cluster Principals meeting as I thought we needed to have more outdoor activities for our younger school members and Waverley Primary took up the idea and will probably run with it every year from now on. It was also great to see a good turn out from our parents.

We had some interest from parents willing to join our FOKIS team to assist with fundraising activities so that was pleasing. If you can't always make a FOKIS meeting when we have one it doesn't matter as we will keep you up to date with what is happening. We do have a fundraising activity coming up so you may get a phone call from Mrs Baker asking if you can help out very soon.

In 2015 when I first arrived at Kai Iwi School some parents mentioned they didn't really like the material of the school uniform polo shirts. From tomorrow on we will have the current school shirt and three other shirts on display in the library for you to look at. We would like you to place a tick under your selected shirt of preference.

We currently have five teachers and four teacher aides all assisting with our students learning needs. The Board of Trustees has also recently agreed to fund extra hours for teacher aide assistance in Room four to assist with the Maths, Reading and Writing programme. (Great Decision BOT!)

Well I will leave the rest of the newsletter to Mrs Wakeling who, every month, writes our Community Newsletter. Happy reading!

Ross Harvey,
Principal

JUNIOR SPORTS DAY - WAVERLEY

Although the weather was a bit dubious to begin with, Room 1 and STAR Room enjoyed their trip to Waverley Primary School for the Junior Sports Day last Friday.

Egg & Spoon Races, Sack Races, the Limbo and Rippa Rugby were some of the games we played, but the highlight of the day was definitely the Tug-of-War in which we were very successful.

Thanks to the very supportive and helpful parents who battled the wind to join us.

Debra Baker, Rm 1 Teacher



Gifted and Talented Day at Westmere

Recently, six lucky children from Room 4 , Ana, Annabel, Lexie, Alyse, Gem and Toby were able to attend a speech making day for Gifted and Talented students at Westmere School. This wonderful event was run by Toastmasters who taught us how to be confident and how to present an effective speech.

We learnt how to make an effective speech by... expressing yourself, using actions and eye contact, using the stage and speaking confidently. We also learnt how to evaluate a speech. We then went off in groups to develop our own speeches and then evaluate them.

Toastmasters really helped us and we can't wait to use all of these great tips in our own speeches.

By Toby and Annabel Corcoran

ZEBONG

On Tuesday last week we were visited in the library by Zebong, teller of tales. His giant, bulging eyes scanned the room as he told us all about how his name originated. Zebong has visited our school before and each time makes the same appearance in his wonderful waistcoat made of his father's ties. This time he had his storytelling quilt with him and explained to us that every patch was a story and that a different generation of his family had contributed stories to the quilt..

He chose some people to pick a patch and then performed that story with help from some fabulous actors (students and teachers) The stories included: the Rusty Nail, Grandad and the Liver, the Sixty Fools, and the Lunch-box. Zebong even persuaded Mrs Wakeling to join Gem and Oliver in acting in the Grandad and the Liver story. It was a fabulous afternoon filled with lots of laughter and we are very lucky to have had an experience like this.

Zoë van der Wees



HOCKEY REPORT

Yesterday our team play Kaitoke and won 3-2. It was another hard game for our kids but they did really well. Player of the Day was Jackson Godsiff. Keep up the great work team.

Renee Henry

Next Tuesdays Draw (30th May):

5.55pm Kai Iwi Gold vs St Johns Black
Gonville QA

NETBALL REPORT

Hi everyone. What a horrid, wet Saturday we had at Netball! We played in sun, rain, thunder and even hail! Kai Iwi A is made of tough stuff. Talk about RESILIENCE.

First up we played St Mary's with a full time score of 12-3 to us. Outstanding player for this game was Alyse - congratulations to you Alyse, you really owned the WA bib! The second game was against WIS and we really had our mojo firing with the final score being 21-1. Outstanding player of this game was Cara - your beaming smile at 3/4 time said it all. Well done Cara. The third and final game of the day was another WIS team and the full time score was 10-6 to us. Outstanding player of this game went to Mia who had some pretty awesome shots in the net to secure our 3rd and final win for the day.

A big thank you to Renee Henry for umpiring our games. Watching you in action is inspiring my friend so thank you once again.

Don't forget practice today at 3.30pm and remember to be at our first game on Saturday 20 mins before.

Louise Hartell

Saturday Draw:

8.45am Ct 3 vs St Mary's
9.45am Winner 8.45 game vs Winner Ct4
10.45am Winner 9.45 game vs Winner Ct 6 -
C Grade FINAL.

There is 30 mins between games. Games have 6 minute quarters with 2-2-2 breaks. Own umpires required.

NEW FACEBOOK PAGE FOR OUR COMMUNITY

It's called:-

Kai Iwi, Maxwell and Waitotara Community.
It's for locals to advertise events, fundraisers, sell, buy, swap, and any other information which is community based.



FEJOAS - FEJOAS - FEJOAS FOR SALE

Rooms 1 & 2 are once again selling feijoas. Orders will be taken through the school office and Rooms 1 and 2. 1kg for \$3.00 or 2kg for \$5.00. Remember, as well as being delicious to eat raw they make very tasty cakes, jams, relish, etc!

Parents please see an order form attached.

Community - please phone in your order (3429-823) or email us at: office@kaiwi.school.nz

Collecting feijoas last year.



SPORTS DRAWS

Sports Draws can be found on the **Sport Whanganui** website. Our hockey team is under 'KIWI A'.

UNIFORM ORDERS

I will place another order in Week 6 so if anyone is wanting new uniform, please have your order in **by Friday, 9th June.**

NEXT BOT MEETING

Thursday 1st June, 4pm
Anyone welcome to attend.

KAI IWI HONEY

Just a reminder that the school office has a stock of Kai Iwi Honey for sale. We have 1Kg pots of Clover Blend and Bush Blend for just \$15.



FEIJOA ORDER FORM



I would like to purchase _____ Kgs please.

I enclose \$_____ (\$3kg or \$5 for 2kgs)

Name: _____

I shall pick up from the school office foyer.

Please send my order home with my eldest child.

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