



*Initiative, Enterprise, Responsibility*

HOBSONVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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**Respect, Responsibility, Achievement, Pride**

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome to new families whose children have started this term.

### **Student Achievement**

#### **PIRLS Reading (Progress in International Reading Literacy Study)**

Year 5 students at Hobsonville Primary school participated in the PIRLS reading tests in November 2010. As one of the 194 New Zealand schools sampled, our students feature favourably in both literacy reading and informational reading purposes.

### **New Zealand Principals Conference**

Last term I attended the New Zealand Principals Conference. Over the three days I was fortunate to be able to listen to a number of international educational speakers. Some key ideas and thoughts that I believe are important for New Zealand students is to not only expect high standards in literacy and numeracy but to continue to develop students' creativity and their ability to think and self manage so they can be innovative and entrepreneurial in a rapidly changing global community. The New Zealand curriculum helps us to develop these competencies within a range of learning areas. At Hobsonville Primary School we have high expectations of our students and with the help of competent teachers to guide them in becoming lifelong learners they will realize their talents and experience success.

Last week our Year 1 to 6 students were treated to the Iron Brion BBQ Roadshow and free beef burgers were prepared and offered as a promotion for New Zealand beef, a food source of iron hence the name of the promotion. Thank you to the parent helpers who gave their time to help cook and deliver the burgers.

### **Date with the Blues at Eden Park**

At the end of last term we were fortunate to receive eleven tickets to a Blues training game at Eden Park held on the last day of school. The tickets were donated by BNZ giving some of our budding rugby players, who also have displayed excellent sportsmanship at their out of school games, a very special treat. Thank you to the parents who co-ordinate, coach or who are involved in our out of school teams for providing supervision and transport to this special event.

### **Half Marathon**

Congratulations to Teancum McCarthy who ran the Rotorua Half Marathon on Saturday 30 April in 1 hour 52 minutes. He competed against 16-34 year olds and finished 97<sup>th</sup> out of 211 participants. What a fantastic effort!

**Citizen Cup Awards**

At our final school assembly last term the following students received their team's Citizen Cup for displaying R.R.A.P. values:

**Pohutukawa Team**

Sophie Neeson Rm 27

**Nikau Team**

Ayolabi Martins Rm 13

**Rimu Team**

Tony Schaufelberhger Rm 14

**Matai Team**

Samantha Taylor Rm 7

**Kowhai Team**

Armani Lam Rm 1

**Kauri Team**

Sean King Rm 23



At this week's whole school assembly on Monday 16 May the following students received their team's Citizen Cup for displaying R.R.A.P values.



**Pohutukawa Team**

Brooklin-Tane Bareman Rm 27

**Nikau Team**

Caitlin Pereira Rm 18

**Rimu Team**

Nabeelah Khan Rm 17

**Matai Team**

Mia George Rm 8

**Kowhai Team**

Humairra Khan Rm 2

**Kauri Team**

Georgia-Rae Lochore Rm 21

**Y7/8 Boys Nor West Soccer Results**

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May Hobsonville's thirteen finest soccer boys ventured to Huapai Domain to participate in the Nor-West Soccer Tournament. As defending champions we didn't disappoint in the pool rounds, topping our pool play and scoring the most number of goals in the tournament. These were shared between Jacob Newton, Dion Wallis, James Hansen and Captain Jaidyn Hendriks, of which Jaidyn scored 4 goals in one match. Alistair Wright was excellent throughout the day giving 100% all around the park. After the pool games we won 2 – 0 against Waitakere in the semi-finals which meant we would play Marina View in the finals. This was a repeat of the 2010 finals and right towards the end of a rather scrappy 20 minutes of soccer, Marina View broke the deadlock scoring an unstoppable goal to win the final. All the boys can be very proud of their team performance, and out of 20 schools, 2<sup>nd</sup> place is a great result. Well done boys!

*Mr Hill*

**Y7/8 Girls Nor West Soccer Results**

What an awesome day the Year 7/8 soccer girls had at Huapai Domain yesterday. We remained undefeated in our first three games which qualified us to the finals. First we had a challenging match with Waimauku, and thanks to some great defenders we managed to draw. With the girls tired but their spirits high we played Taupaki, and unfortunately we lost. In the last round we played Marina View. This was a challenging game and Hobsonville showed some great team work, with our defender and goal keeper Ebony Johnson managing to defend Marina View's shoots at the goal post. It was a long day and we ended up coming third overall. What a fantastic end to a challenging day. Well done girls.

*Mrs Cory*

**TV Show Stars**

In the first week of this term Y7/8 students featured in the Kiwi Sport Show, a series of Kiwi sports activities. As part of the afternoon's events there was a very exciting soccer game against a team from Marina View School finishing with 2 goals to 1 in Hobsonville's favour. Well done guys and girls. Arrangements were made during the last week of term so the event was organized in a short space of time. The Y7/8 students involved were able to view their appearance in the programme on FOUR TV.



*Margaret Doherty*

**PMP Helpers**

If you are able to spare some time on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9.00am to 10.45am supervising the Junior School Perceptual Motor Programme, please fill in the slip below and return it to the school office as soon as possible.

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Name:..... Phone No.:.....

I am able to help on  Wednesdays  Thursdays

## REMINDERS

The School has recently been notified by the owners of 273 Hobsonville Rd, that parents are using their driveway as a 'drop off / turn around bay'. They have asked us, to request that parents do not do this as it is private property and on occasions it has inhibited them and their family from exiting their driveway. **Please be careful and considerate when dropping children off in the morning.**

### Entertainment Books

Entertainment Books or payments were due back on **Wednesday 18 May**. Please return these to the office as soon as possible.

### Absences

Parents will now be able to text the school regarding their child's absence from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. The school's mobile number is **021 297 5067**. Alternatively please phone the schools absence line Ph. No. 416 8619 before 9.00am on the day of your child's absence.



### Mufti Day Fundraising

Thank you all for your donations in support of Westpac Rescue Helicopter Appeal on the last day of last term. \$646 was raised for this cause.

### Yummy Stickers

Collect Yummy stickers for a share of \$200,000 FREE sports gear for our school.



Collect the cut out labels from bags of Yummy apples or individual Yummy apple stickers available from New World, Pak'n Save and participating Four Square stores. Bring your stickers to school and put them on your class sheet. Every participating school gets FREE Champs sports gear.

### Anchor Milk Promotion

Win a share of \$500,000 for you and your school every day. Purchase any specifically marked Anchor Milk and look for the unique code on the back of the label. Go to [www.anchorrun.co.nz](http://www.anchorrun.co.nz) to enter and nominate our school.



**Great news - our school won \$5,000.00 this week in this promotion!** There is also a grand prize of \$50,000 for you and \$50,000 for our school to be won. **So get your entries in before the promotion closes on 26 June.**

### Slingshot and Call Plus 'Better Schools' Programme

We are now part of this wonderful programme whereby Slingshot customers can choose to have a percentage of their monthly bill donated to the school. The best thing is, it doesn't cost you anything – in fact you'll probably save money with their services. Each month, Slingshot will send us a cheque to use as we see fit. How big that cheque is depends on you! If you'd like this easy pain free way to contribute please go to [www.slingshot.co.nz/schools](http://www.slingshot.co.nz/schools) or call 0800 89 20000 and speak to one of their friendly customer helpers.



## TERM 2 EVENTS

<b>Week 4 23 – 27 May</b>	Getwise Financial Literacy Classes will be visited by ASB facilitators during this week who will be running interactive workshops relevant to age levels. The programme will equip students with a set of financial literacy skills to set them up for future financial success.
<b>Tuesday 24 May</b>	NSW Computer Test
<b>Wednesday 25 May</b>	Board of Trustees Meeting – 7.00pm – Administration Meeting Room. You are welcome to attend these meetings.
<b>Monday 6 June</b>	Queens Birthday Holiday
<b>Thursday 8 June</b>	NSW Science Test Australian tests are available annually to students who choose to participate. There is a small charge to parents. The tests are sent away to be marked and assessed off site. Details are sent home to parents informing them of the age groups that can participate and costs. Test results are received by the school and forwarded to parents.
<b>Thursday 9 June</b>	Y7/8 NW Table Tennis BP Challenge
<b>Thursday 16 June</b>	Y7/8 NW Basketball – Trust Stadium
<b>Tuesday 21 June</b>	NSW Spelling and Writing Tests
<b>Wednesday 29 June</b>	Board of Trustees Meeting
<b>Monday 4 July</b>	Written reports student achievement Book Fair in the Library. Students book browse and select favourite titles for wish list.
<b>Wednesday 6 July</b>	Y7/8 NW Hockey – Rosedale
<b>Thursday 7 July</b>	Student led conferences Friday 10 June – Form A - booking form sent home Monday 27 June – Form B – conference time sent home Book Fair in the Library – 12.30pm – 8.00pm
<b>Monday 11 July</b>	Sports Assembly 10.00am
<b>Friday 15 July</b>	Last day Term 2 – school finishes at 3.00pm Hell Pizza fundraiser – children will be able to order pizzas for lunch. The usual lunch service will not be operating on the last day of term.
<b>Monday 2 August</b>	Term 3 commences

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Before and After School Care** (references available) Ph No. 416 013 or 021 046 8639

**Hobsonville Kindergarten Trivia Night:** Saturday 21 May 7.30pm Whenuapai School Hall. \$10 a ticket. Get together a table of 10 or join a table. Lots of fun, games and prizes. Tickets can be purchased from the Kindergarten (34a Trig Rd) or contact Nicki on Ph. No. 416 7593

**Endeavour Junior Badminton Club** have spaces available after school for 6 to 16 year olds on Thursdays at the Waitakere Badminton Centre, Massey and a few spaces left on Fridays at Hobsonville School. For more information please contact Dawn on Ph No. 416 0371 [info@endeavourbadminton.co.nz](mailto:info@endeavourbadminton.co.nz) or you can contact us through our website [www.endeavourbadminton.co.nz](http://www.endeavourbadminton.co.nz)

**Pippins aged 5 and 6 years on Monday 4pm to 5pm. Brownies aged 7 to 9 ½ years on Monday 5.30pm to 7.00pm. Guides aged 9 ½ to Year 8 on Tuesdays 6pm to 8pm.** All Units meet in St Chad's Church, Oraha Rd, Huapai. We provide a fun and adventurous programme with an emphasis on the outdoors, camping, leadership training and a wide variety of experiences. Contact Alison Hucke Ph. No. 412 5821 or [whucke@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:whucke@slingshot.co.nz) for more info.

**2011 Leading Edge Dyslexia Training with Neil Mackay Parents Evenings - 2 hour Evening Workshop 7 to 9pm 9<sup>th</sup> August.** This evening is for parents. Staying connected to your child and their learning can be difficult when the challenges of dyslexia or other differences arise – especially when it comes to homework and learning for tests. Focusing on aspects of reading for meaning, spelling tricky words and organizing ideas on paper, this unique workshop teaches parents some of the “tricks of the trade”. Single Parent/Guardian \$30 Couple \$50. Accompanying children FREE. Register at [www.actiondyslexia.co.nz](http://www.actiondyslexia.co.nz) or phone 03528 0094 ext 1

**Lewis Eady Music School. Jonny Corker** who joined Lewis Eady in 2007 teaches drum kit guitar, bass guitar, ukulele and rock band. Jonny has been involved in the NZ music industry for more than a decade and brings extensive band experience to our team.

**Carol Buckton** who joined Lewis Eady in 2006 teaches recorder, piano and keyboard. Carol brings considerable experience in recorder, early music performance and education. Co-author of the MUSIKit Recorder series and involved with the Children's Music Centre for several years teaching violin and recorder to 7-11 yr olds, Carol is also our teacher mentor who offers support and advice to our teaching team. To enrol your child for music lessons with Jonny or Carol at school, please visit [www.lewiseady.co.nz](http://www.lewiseady.co.nz)

**Auckland Organ Festival – free family open day.** Auckland Town Hall 10am – 5pm Saturday 4 June. A unique free opportunity for young people and their families to find out anything and everything about the pipe organ, “The King of Instruments”, through fun, hands-on activities and displays. Includes at 2pm “Carnival of the Organ Pipes” – a narrated stage show for children with music from the new Town Hall Organ. More details at [www.organz.org.nz/kingsbirthday](http://www.organz.org.nz/kingsbirthday)

**Attention all girls! Come to Girls' Brigade for fun, friendship, camps, crafts and more.** All girls from 5 years of age are most welcome. We meet on Mondays from 4.15 – 6.15pm at Westgate Baptist Church, 67 Hobsonville Rd. Come along and check us out. For more info phone Veronica on 416 7669 (evenings) or check out our website [www.westaucklandgirlsbrigade.org.nz](http://www.westaucklandgirlsbrigade.org.nz)

**The Raukauri Music Therapy Centre is once again holding its FREE Concert for Children organized and performed by the Raukauri Music Therapists.** This year we have some exciting additions – The Wonky Donkey Man Craig Smith, Ukulele Band Marmaduke, Dylan Wade & Band and lots of songs where children can join in. Date: 25 June, 2-3pm at the Auckland Baptist Tabernacle 429 Queen Street (near K'Rd). Children free adults \$20 available from [www.rmtc.org.nz](http://www.rmtc.org.nz)