



Initiative, Enterprise, Responsibility

HOBSONVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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## Respect, Responsibility, Achievement, Pride

Dear Parents and Caregivers

I hope you have all purchased a ticket to the 'Wearable Arts Show' - an extravaganza of visual and performing arts to be held on 28 and 29 September. The uniqueness of each of the costumes shows the creativity and perseverance demonstrated by the designers and makers - our students. The costumes are quite magnificent! The organizing team who have spent hours putting the show together deserve our appreciation and credit as well as the teachers and everyone who has helped. We are looking forward to a really special show, the culmination of successful learning shared by all of our students.

### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

#### Cross Country

This was a great day for all of the students who were place getters in our own competition and participated in the North West Competition held at Helensville. Congratulations to Sean Cavanagh who gained a placing to go through to represent the school at the Auckland Schools Championships.

#### Cheerleading Championships

The Mystix 'Junior Star Elite' Cheerleading Team including three of our students, (Brooke Ahipene, Kassidy Mack and Greer Wilson) gained first place in the All Star Spring Carnival Cheerleading Competition held at the ASB Stadium on 11 September. Through their dedication to learning and practising a challenging and complex routine they deservedly earned their top placing. Congratulations! The girls showed the attributes necessary to have such a great success.

#### Netball

On Thursday 15 September, the netball coaches and managers had a fun end of season netball game against the girls of Team 1. Mrs Meek umpired the match which was very exciting to watch. In the end the coaches and managers won the game but everyone who was involved in the match played extremely well. Thank you to Ann Fenner for organising the Team 1 girls; Helen Fordham for organizing the game and Mrs Meek for her fabulous umpiring skills.

*Ruby Fordham Y4 Rm 9*



### **New South Wales Australasian Test**

Congratulations to the following students who received 'Distinction' in the New South Wales Australasian Writing Test:

Jamie Hyde	-	Y4
Ashleigh Weyermayr	-	Y5
Edie Brennan	-	Y6

### **Black Out Day**

This was a great 'kick off' to the Rugby World Cup. \$707.30 was raised. Thank you to everyone. Our support for the national team was shown by the numbers of children who turned out in the country's colours. We know you will all have your favourite team and this was shown in some subtle ways on the day.



### **Staff**

Welcome to Kylee Pocklington-Foster our new Out of School Sports Co-ordinator and thank you to Angela Whiteman for her hard work in meeting the challenges of the role.

Mrs Sharon Fraser is resigning from her full time teaching position following a period of parental leave. We thank her for her commitment to the school and her continued involvement. She is a fine teacher and is a fantastic 'Mum'. She is presently teaching in a part time position with New Entrant children.

### **School Climate Survey**

Student responses to a survey conducted to give us information about school climate and culture was very positive. Student responses to a wide range of questions have been discussed and have provided useful information so that we can build on the development of respectful behaviours within the school and community.

Our focus will be on the way students interact with one another and the reinforcement of the rules around behaviour and the provision of a safe environment. We need to work together on this so that all children feel safe at school. Our policy is to have a zero tolerance to any type of bullying behaviour.

Thank you for your support throughout the term.

*Margaret Doherty*



## Persuasive Writing

### *The Money for R.W.C. Was Well Spent!*

*The challenge: The roar of the crowd, the lone horn blowing, the haka. The journey: The waterfalls, the mountains, the oceans, the music. The prize: Gold flashing, casting a blinding light across millions of gaping faces, and the one victorious team. The balloons, the singing, the tackles. This is a result of a multi-million dollar opening ceremony for the Rugby World Cup 2011. For every dollar spent on it, a person in the world was left amazed! It was certainly money well spent.*

*All over the world, people are cheering, clapping and coming together to watch the Rugby World Cup matches. Some, however, do not appreciate this international event, and mutter, "I don't see why they spend so much on these games anyway!" I am here to tell you how wrong they are.*

*First of all, the money spent on the Rugby World Cup is chosen through what seems to be a clever strategy. All of the money spent on the Rugby World Cup is easily made up, with profit, from the millions of tickets that have been sold. For example, if nine million dollars were spent on the opening ceremony, twenty million dollars could be made from ticket sales and because the ceremony was very late at night, hotel fees! This extra income can then be spent on more important matters like Starship and Plunket.*

*Secondly, the Rugby World Cup is a great opportunity for people of all different cultures to come together in competitive sport, peace and diversity. As well as learning about the New Zealand / Maori culture, the tourists can teach us about their cultures too.*

*Also, if the Rugby World Cup was dull and boring, the rest of the world would think that New Zealand was boring too! Just imagine the stadiums! The roar of the crowd, the cheers, the horns, the encouragement, all gone! The best part of sports is hearing the roar of the crowd and the echoing cheers of the winning team! Disappointment would sweep across the hopeful faces of the world!*

*Did you know that there is MORE money to be made? It's like a chain reaction! A group of tourists come to New Zealand for the World Cup; they go to a hotel, buy dinner every night, visit almost EVERY single gift shop in the country, "Oh! Debbie would just LOVE this toy kiwi! Ooh a map!"*

*They would visit zoos, parks and go to the movies and buy plenty of maps. Then finally, they would go home and tell everyone about New Zealand! Then Debbie and her friends will visit and so on!*

*To conclude, the money spent on the World Cup will leave a prouder, more confident New Zealand. We will be richer for the experience and richer physically. We will leave the world stunned and had a good time doing it. The money spent on the Rugby World Cup was well spent, don't you agree? **By Edie Brennan Room 1 Year 6***

## TERM 3 EVENTS

### Week 9

Monday 26 September Y5-6 APPA Speech Finals – Ponsonby Primary School  
 Tuesday 27 September Y7-8 Volleyball

### Wednesday 28 and 29 September

#### Wearable Arts Show

Wednesday 28 September APPA Y7-8 Speech Finals – Ponsonby Primary School  
 Friday 30 September Sports Assembly – 1.30am

### Week 10

Wednesday 5 October Junior Cross Country 11.00am – 12.30pm - Prizegiving 1.30pm  
 Friday 7 October Term 3 finishes – school finishes at 3.00pm  
 Monday 24 October LABOUR DAY  
 Tuesday 25 October Term 4 begins

## 2012 Out of Zone Enrolments

Application forms are available from the school office for 2012 out of zone enrolments. If you already have a child at our school and live out of zone you will need to complete an out of zone application form for siblings who are turning 5 next year. **Applications close Tuesday 27 September 2011.**

## Term 4 2011

Tuesday 25 October to Thursday 15 December 2011

## 2012 Term Dates

### Term 1

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February to Thursday 5 April 2012

### Term 2

Monday 23 April to Friday 29 June 2012

### Term 3

Monday 16 July to Friday 28 September 2012

### Term 4

Monday 15 October to 17 December 2012

## Reminders

### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September – Wearable Art Show

VIP tickets for Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September have sold out but there are VIP tickets for Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September and General Admission tickets for both nights still available. Tickets are available at the school office during school hours. VIP tickets Thursday 29 September (allocated seating and a goodie bag) - \$25.00 each. General admission tickets Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 September - \$10.00 each.

**Friday 30 September** – Sports Assembly – 11.30am

**4-7 October** - Principal attending Education Conference 'Strategies for Sustaining Change'.

**Friday 7 October** Last day of Term 3 – school finishes at 3.00pm.

### Lunch Room

Please note that the Lunch Room will be closed on Friday 7 October (the last day of Term 3) and will re-open on Friday 28 October as Monday 24 October is Labour Day.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**5 a side Indoor Soccer** – for 7<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> grade Rep Teams and any child that loves the game of football and wishes to carry on playing through summer and maybe all year round. Futsal is a 5-a-side indoor game (recommend 7 players per team) with two 14 minute halves. Not only will this continue to develop your child's skills but also provide a great social event for them – this is a fast paced game that they will love and enjoy. We are looking for interest in a minimum of six teams in each division and it runs on Sundays at the home of One World Futsal at Avondale College gym, approx between 9.00am and 3.00pm. Kids Leagues: ph Bobby 021 12 018 or email [bobby@oneworldfutsal.com](mailto:bobby@oneworldfutsal.com) All other enquiries [www.oneworldfutsal.com](http://www.oneworldfutsal.com)

**Have you ever wondered how 3D movies like Toy Story and computer games are made? Learn the latest in 3D Animation and Games Design on a Bubble Dome School Holiday workshop these holidays.** Other courses in Apple iPad Design, Science and Inventions, Movie Making, Architecture, Fashion Design, Writing, Robotics and our NEW! Radio and Engineering Course are on offer this October. For students aged 6 to 18 years. Ph. No. 622 0670 or email [info@bubbledome.co.nz](mailto:info@bubbledome.co.nz) or book online at [www.bubbledome.co.nz](http://www.bubbledome.co.nz)

**Huapai Pony Club** is now registering interest for a Riders Without Horses Programme. Aimed to give interested kids, without a pony, an introduction to Pony Club while teaching valuable horse management skills. Syllabus is taught by a qualified instructor on normal rally nights (Wednesday). Cost \$200 for an 8 week course. For more info please contact Kelly [kelly@kumeuriver.co.nz](mailto:kelly@kumeuriver.co.nz)

**Come on down to Massey Library these school holidays.** We have two special storytimes with a kiwiana theme on Wednesday October 12 and 19<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am. On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> of October at 6pm you can come to the library in your pyjamas for an 'Under the Sea' storytime with Spongebob Square Pants and Patrick the starfish. Stories for all storytimes are suitable for 4-8 year olds but everyone is welcome. We also have a very cool kiwiana scavenger hunt competition and some great rangoli designs for you to colour in and celebrate Diwali. It's all happening at the library!

**Riverhead Athletics Club for 2-14 yrs.** Registration night Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Oct, 4-7pm at Riverhead Park. Season starts Wed 26<sup>th</sup> October at 5.30pm [www.sportsground.co.nz/riverheadathletics](http://www.sportsground.co.nz/riverheadathletics)

**School Holiday Workshops at Selwyn College for Tall Poppies, High flyers, Creative Thinkers and all Gifted and Talented students 9-12 years old.** Our team will be trialling a range of courses we aim to take directly into schools during 2012 – be the first to try them out! Course content includes Maths/Physics, Creative Thinking and the Arts, Philosophical Discussion and Debate. Cost is \$69. Email applications to [jean@giftedseminars.org](mailto:jean@giftedseminars.org) or telephone our office Ph. No. 585 0111. All details at [www.giftedseminars.org](http://www.giftedseminars.org)

**October Holiday Workshops painting, clay, mixed media 10-13 Oct and 17-20 Oct. Term 4 Art Classes for Children 7-14yrs** Mon 4-6pm or Tues, Thurs 4-5.45pm, Sat 9am and/or 11am (5yrs up to 11am). Faculty of Education, University of Auckland, Epsom. For a brochure or further info phone 623 8858 or email [c.gunnell@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:c.gunnell@auckland.ac.nz)

**SCOUTS New Zealand** is offering a **FREE ONE MONTH TRIAL MEMBERSHIP** to anyone interested in joining us in the adventure. Scouts New Zealand has been providing outdoor opportunities for over 100 years. We have a passion for providing young people from all walks of life with new experiences, as well as encouraging personal development and community involvement. To download a FREE ONE MONTH TRIAL MEMBERSHIP simply go to [www.scouts.org.nz](http://www.scouts.org.nz) click 'Join Now' and fill out the details or call 0800 SCOUTS to find the local Group.

**Massey Amateur Swimming Club is now open for enrolments** – a local swimming club run at Massey High School, with a training session and a club night per week running through the summer. The club is run by local volunteers to coach local children to swim and gain water confidence for more details please phone Desley on Ph. No. 833 7982 or send an email to [masseyswim@gmail.com](mailto:masseyswim@gmail.com)

**Waitakere Cricket Club is having an open day on Sunday 25 September 2011 at the Clubrooms, Neil Avenue, Te Atatu Peninsula.** Come along and have a go – fun for all ages – Year 0 upwards. You can register online for the upcoming season or complete your registration at the open day. For further information visit [www.waitakerecc.co.nz](http://www.waitakerecc.co.nz) or telephone Donna Prichard – Ph. No. 832 7375 or Jeremy Stewart Ph. No. 813 1473

**The Great Greenhithe Garden Tour Sunday 13 November** – tickets \$15.00 (presales) \$25.00 (on day from kindergarten) [www.greenhithegardentour.org](http://www.greenhithegardentour.org).

**St Paul's School World Cup Gala and Monster Garage Sale Saturday 1 October 11.00am – 3.00pm, 498 Don Buck Road, Massey.** Join us for a wonderful day of family entertainment, food and shopping. Be in with the chance to win a fantastic lucky number door prize.

**Quilt Exhibition 2011 presented by The Helensville Patchwork Group 10am – 4pm Saturday and Sunday 1 and 2 October, Helensville War Memorial Hall, Commercial Road.** Quilt raffle, merchants, trading table, refreshments available. Entry \$3 under 12 free if accompanied by an adult.

**RD1 and Balance Agri-Nutrients have a great promotion going for the month of September where you can help S'port Your School.** With every tonne of fertilizer ordered and uplifted from RD1, \$2.00 worth of sporting equipment will be donated to your school – all you have to do is purchase your fertilizer from RD1 and nominate your school on line. Go to [www.rd1.com](http://www.rd1.com)

**Community Planting – Hobsonville Plant Network needs your help to get 900 natives in the ground.** If you, or a group of people are interested Please contact Darren Millington 416 5022 or 021 308 862. Check out [www.ecomatters.org.nz](http://www.ecomatters.org.nz) for more info.

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