

"Snells Beach School will prepare children for successful futures and life-long learning through dynamic teaching and quality learning opportunities"

BOT MEETING DATES

June 2010 onwards

All meetings held on Wednesdays at 5.30pm in the Board Room.

Term 2:	30 June
Term 3:	28 July 25 August 22 September
Term 4:	20 October 24 November

ZUMBA and PILATES

Have you ever wanted to try Zumba and Pilates? Well then come along to this one off event & try them both. Don't miss out, everyone will be there.

TONIGHT - FRIDAY 18 JUNE 6.30pm - 8.30pm
SNELLS BEACH SCHOOL

Qualified instructors - Bring a mat. Suit any age or gender
Enquiries and registration to Sue 425 4414

\$10.00

PTA News

Your PTA would like to say a big 'Thank You' to the following parents who kindly helped with the Arbor Day Milo morning and sausage sizzle.

Rona Bairstow (PTA)
Bridget Farmiloe (PTA)
Roanne Gillespie
Yila Sawitzki
Kim Millward

Lizzie Collins (PTA)
Lovetta Bayer
Angela Perkins
Leonie Meredith
Brigid Maire

and to those who pitched in and helped on the day whose names we do not have. Your help was muchly appreciated by the School and PTA.

Also 'Thanks' to Donald and Lovetta Bayer for the loan of their BBQ.

The total raised on the day as a result of your efforts was \$197.93.

WANTED! GOOD QUALITY KITCHEN EQUIPMENT

Your PTA is looking for good quality cooking equipment for use in the Technology Programme for our children. It is always good practice to clear out kitchen cupboards and get rid of things you don't use, so why not donate this equipment to the school? We are looking for pots sets, a large stock pot or two, fry pans, a knife set, cutting boards, tongs, wooden spoons, mixing bowls, whisks, muffin trays, cake tins, measuring spoons and cups. Please drop off any equipment into the school hall in the 1st week of Term 3.

Thank you!

'Cover a book' Evening

A number of parents have volunteered to assist Denise le Bas in a PTA sponsored initiative to cover our classroom readers on Tuesday 29th June from 7pm onwards in the Snells Beach School Library. Supper with be provided, proudly sponsored by your 'PTA'. If you would like to join this group and help, please phone Denise le Bas on 425 5746.

Attendance does need to be confirmed for catering purposes and to ensure there is enough mending material supplied. Thank you.



Location: Snells Beach School

Time: 8am - 6pm

Email: snellsbeach@skids.co.nz

Or matakana@skids.co.nz

For information regarding Bookings and enrolments

Call: Doreen on 0273578260

OR

Eulene on 021624362

TERM DATES FOR THE REST OF 2010

TERM 3

Mon 19 July – Friday 24 Sept 3pm

TERM 4

Mon 11 Oct – Tuesday 14 Dec 3pm

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

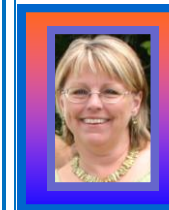
We will open to the public for enrolments, uniform purchases etc.

WEDNESDAY 14 July – 8.30am to 4.30pm

THURSDAY 15 July – 8.30am to 4.30pm

FRIDAY 16 July – 8.30am to 4.30pm

Inquiries: phone Su on 09 425 6058



From the Principal

Kia ora, and greetings to our school families

I told the children this week that I have felt very proud of them and the school over the last few weeks because of the way they have participated and represented us as a school. We have had a number of outstanding activities take place and in every instance the children and you, our parents have done us proud. Arbor Day was a huge success and we were very lucky with the weather. I was so proud of the way all the children participated and pitched in and helped with the various projects and I would like to thank all those parents, grandparents and family members who came along to lend a hand as well.

We really appreciate your efforts – the school environment is looking great! Our PTA parents were a fabulous support and added to the enjoyment of the day hugely with the Milo and sausages – thank you for your time and energy!

Year 6 Camp was a fabulous success again. I would like to acknowledge and thank Miss Ramel and Mrs Gore, our two wonderful staff members who planned and led this. They worked extremely hard, not only over the week of the camp itself but also beforehand in preparing for it. Without this work and without the support of parents, we cannot undertake a venture of this size and complexity, and the children would miss out as a result. To Mr Tony O'Neill and Mrs Toni Peagram (the 2 Tonies!) we extend a HUGE thank you for giving up a week of home comforts to join the trip and support the teachers and the children. You did a fabulous job! And to all the parents who pitched in and helped with fundraising, baking and equipping the children for the trip – thanks for making it all happen. As you can see from the photos in this newsletter – a great time and a great learning experience was had by all.

We have also had a couple of sports fixtures over the past couple of weeks where our children have exhibited great sportsmanship and again represented us with pride. The interschool soccer was held two weeks ago and the interschool Rippa Rugby this week. Thanks to the parents who helped with transport and supervision and special thanks to Mr Morley who organised the days and the teams and to Mrs Giles who helped on the day with soccer.

It is a source of great pride to us that we can and do give the children of this school such a great range of extracurricular activities to be involved with, as this adds greatly to the richness of our curriculum at Snells Beach School. Thank you for helping us to make it happen!

J Corkin
Principal

School Diary

Term 2 Dates 2010: Monday 19 April 2010 – Friday 2 July 2010

Week 10

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
21 June	22 June	23 June	24 June	25 June
		9-10.30: New Entrants Visits 7pm: Trustee Training at Mahurangi College		2pm: Full School Assembly Parents welcome

Week 11

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
28 June	29 June	30 June	1 July	2 July – Last Day of Term
All Day - Scandrett Planting Day – Yr 3-6		9-10.30: New Entrants Visits 5pm: Board of Trustees Meeting		2pm: Dismissal Assembly 3pm: School finishes at normal time

SCHOOL STARTS FOR TERM 3 ON MONDAY 19 July at 9am.

Yr6 Camp Tongariro

Our Year 6 campers have returned from Camp Tongariro, and are enjoying being back in the "tropical" north!

Once again, snow was a major feature of the camp, with a fall happening in camp on the first morning – very exciting!

The Camp started on a "high note", at the High Ropes Course, Rock'n Ropes at Taupo. The students had to complete a range of challenges at the height of two telephone poles stuck end on end. Never before have we seen such wonderful listening skills from our Year 6 students as when the instructor was explaining how to fit their safety harness! Day 2 was our "Mountain Day". Off on the beautiful Taranaki Falls tramp, before going up to Whakapapa Ski Field to hurl some snowballs.

Mrs Corkin came to join us for the day and enjoyed the stunning winter views of Ruapehu, Ngauruhoe and Tongariro.

Day 3 we grabbed our torches, and headed deep into the Okupata Caves, ankle deep in freezing water – great fun! After chatting with the glow worms we headed off to the Tongariro River for a rafting session. This was a highlight of the camp for most! – awesome fun with great guides. A good soak in the Tokaanu Thermal Pools warmed us up afterwards.

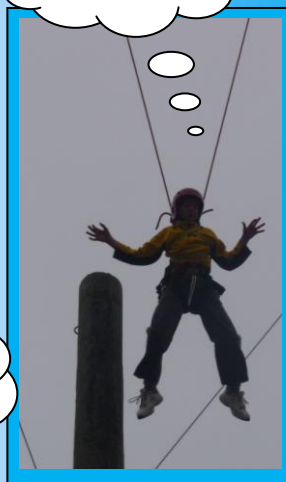
Day 4 was the long trip home, through some heavy rain. Thank goodness for McDonalds and KFC! A big thank you to our two wonderful parent helpers; Toni Peagram and Tony O'Neill. Well done to Mrs Gore for her wonderful porridge making skills, and Miss Ramel for not getting lost in the caves!

DVD's of the camp movie and CD's of photos are available through the school – please see Mrs Gore.

HAVE WE GOT EVERYTHING ?



JUST HANGING



GATHER ROUND YOU LOT !



IT'S SNOW TIME !!!



THAT'S NOT SNELLS BEACH !!!



WICKED ADVENTURES !!!



WELCOME TO: Paris Wilson Kauri 1
We hope you enjoy your time at our school.

Roll Total 183

School Events

RIPPA RUGBY

Crispy yellow and red autumn leaves danced gently in the breeze. The sky was a clear pale blue with a cold nip in the air. Silence was broken like a plastic toy on Christmas day as 12 fit, athletic and dynamic Snells Beach School athletes descended upon Silverdale Rugby Club.



Our year five and six team performed well in the first Rippa tournament winning 2 games and losing narrowly to an experienced Warkworth side. In total scoring 24 tries and conceding only 11 it was a worthy performance. The day was enjoyed by all and we look forward to the second round in term 3. A special thanks to Mrs Just for her help with transport and expert coaching tips.

HOCKEY

Our hockey players, who play in a combined team with Leigh, were handed a heavy defeat last weekend by top of the table Warkworth. Congratulations, however, do go to Sam Collings for being awarded Player of the Day.

SCHOOL PLANTING DAY AT SCANDRETT REGIONAL PARK

Monday 28th June (Last week of school)

As part of our school's unique relationship with Scandrett Regional Park, ARC have approached us to support them in a planting day in our "piece of the park." **This will involve Year 3 – 6 students only.** Students will need:

- Warm mufti clothing
- A raincoat
- Gumboots or old shoes
- Big drink and morning tea

ARC will be providing us with some yummy BBQ sausages for lunch. ARC are also providing buses to transport the students to/from school. These will be leaving at approximately 9:30, and returning at approximately 2:30. Parents are welcome to come and help out! We may be able to provide transport for you on the bus if space allows – please let us know if you would like this. Otherwise, meet at the Scandrett Carpark shortly after 9:30.

It is amazing to see the transformation that has already happened in our "Piece of the Park". Various groups across the school have enjoyed excellent sessions with David Edge, the Scandrett Ranger, on plant and bird identification, planting, mulching and seed collection. We are very lucky to have this unique relationship.

MUFTI DAY – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – FRIDAY 2 JULY

Children can wear mufti on this day (sensible mufti suitable for learning and playing in please – no dress ups or high heels) for a **gold or silver coin donation**. All donations go towards PTA fundraising for the year.

Education Information for Parents

Mid Year Assessment Summaries will be issued on the last day of school this term. The format of the reports is very similar to last year, as we believe it is important to share with you the actual assessment data that we hold on your child. Over time we hope that you will see the changes in these results and therefore be able to judge the progress that your child is making.

This year we are required to report student achievement and progress in relation to the National Standards, so our explanation grid on the reverse of the report summary contains a representation of the National Standards expectations for each year level as well as a representation of how the Curriculum Levels work, as many of the standards themselves are expressed in relation to a curriculum level.

The maths information evening we were planning to hold this term has been postponed until next term and we will combine this with some information about the National Standards to help you understand these more fully.

Also early next term, we will be offering another parent/teacher interview round so that you can discuss the midyear assessment results in detail with your child's teacher, and in particular focus on how you can help at home with the next learning steps.