

**URGENTLY REQUIRED**

**BOT**

**MINUTE SECRETARY**

**Please contact the office for details**

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**CONGRATULATIONS**

**ON THE SUCCESS OF THE NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS**

A declaration of the election results was sent home last week. The new board met for the first time on Wednesday 19 May. The new board is

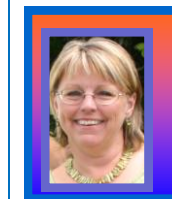
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| <b>Don Scandrett</b>    | <b>Chairperson</b>        |
| <b>Bridget Farmiloe</b> | <b>Deputy Chairperson</b> |
| <b>Lisa Corteen</b>     |                           |
| <b>Maarten Kleyn</b>    |                           |
| <b>Ian Suckling</b>     |                           |
| <b>Jill Corkin</b>      | <b>Principal</b>          |
| <b>Kathryn Ramel</b>    | <b>Staff Trustee</b>      |



**Newsletter**

21 May 2010

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



Special thanks must go to Bridget Farmiloe for her stewardship of the Board through this first period and to Sandy Sims and Ylia Sawitzki who will unfortunately not be returning to the Board. Thank you for your wonderful contributions.

**A Few Winter Reminders**

Now that the wet weather is here, can we please ask the following:

- that you take **extra care when using the drive-through** in the afternoons or in the morning. Although we try to prevent this, children and sometimes even parents, dash through the rain to get to their cars and are not always looking for moving vehicles.
- that children have **appropriate wet weather gear**. Too many children are leaving school in the afternoon, or arriving in the morning, without a raincoat resulting in wet clothes and miserable children.
- that you **do not park or stop in the bus bay** before 3pm or before the early bus arrives to pick up our bus children.

And a few general reminders please:

- **dogs must be on a leash** if they are brought into the school grounds. We reserve the right, on health and safety grounds, to ask you at any time to remove your dog from the grounds.
- **PLEASE check in to the office if you come to school during the day**. Under our safety rules, we are required to know who is on site at any time.
- **children should not be arriving at school before 8.15am**.

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**From the Principal**

*Kia ora, and greetings to our school families*

**Board of Trustees**

I would like to welcome our new Board of Trustees, in particular new trustees Maarten Kleyn and Ian Suckling, and thank our parent community for casting your votes and participating in this important process for our school. It is a shame that yet another election had to follow on so soon after the first, and for that reason I would like to thank every member of our first elected Board of Trustees for their governance over the past year and for being willing to stand again.

**PLANTING DAY**

**SCANDRETT REGIONAL PARK  
SUNDAY 27 JUNE 2010  
10am – 1 pm**

**Follow the signs to the planting site**

**Bring**

- Sturdy enclosed shoes or boots
- Gloves & a spade if you have them
- A cold drink
- Family & Friends
- Plenty of energy



**For further information  
ph 09 366 2000 or go to  
[www.arc.govt.nz](http://www.arc.govt.nz)**

**PTA**

**RAFFLE WINNERS  
CONGRATULATIONS**

- Murray Ashton – Possum wear
- Alex Sanson – Morris & James Platter
- Claire Turner – Watch

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**



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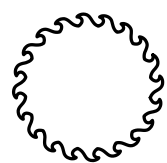
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*Ph: 09 4256337*

*Open Saturdays & Late Nights.*

**1/2 PRICE PIZZA THURSDAY**

**5-9PM throughout winter**  
Bookings recommended – offer does not apply to takeaways

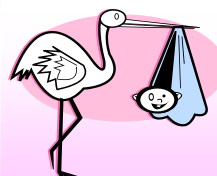


**LEIGH SAWMILL CAFE  
142 PAKIRI ROAD,  
LEIGH  
PHONE 422 6019**

**CONGRATULATIONS**

**Mr & Mrs Morley**

**On the birth of their girl  
Nevaeh Grace Morley  
Friday 14 May 2010  
10lb 4oz**



**School Diary**

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

**Week 6**

Monday 24 May	Tuesday 25 May	Wednesday 26 May	Thursday 27 May	Friday 28 May
6pm – BoT meeting in the Boardroom. All welcome.		9am – Pre-school visits 7pm – PTA meeting in the staffroom. All welcome.		2pm – Junior Assembly

**Week 7**

Monday 31 May	Tuesday 1 June	Wednesday 2 June	Thursday 3 June	Friday 4 June
				<b>ARBOR DAY CELEBRATIONS</b> 2pm – Senior Assembly

# BOOK WEEK

Was a fabulous success!  
with loads of fun and enjoyment  
for children, staff &  
parents.

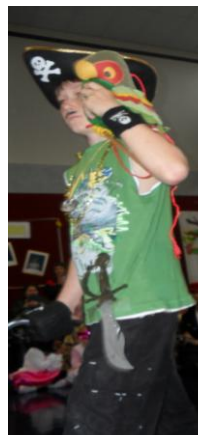
What a  
fantastic  
costume effort made!



Man 1 ready for the Character Parade



Just some of the great costumes



Jungle Bungle Performance



Kauri 1 Kauri 2 & Kahikatza 2 go to Mahurangi East Library

Thank you to all the  
parent helpers and readers over this week.

## WELCOME TO:

Elijah Newey Nikau 2

TOTAL ROLL 182

We hope you will enjoy being a part of our school.

## From the Principal Cont....

### The Next Few Weeks

Our focus continues to be on teaching and learning and preparing for our mid-year reporting to you. We have the Year 6 Camp coming up in the week after Queens Birthday weekend and Nikau 1 are busy preparing for that. Thank you to everyone who has supported the fundraising efforts for this event.

Arbor Day will be an important event again this year and we will be celebrating this on Friday 4 June. At this time we will give all new families to our school since our opening in February 2009 the chance to donate and plant a tree if you would like to. All trees planted are named with your family name so that as they mature you can track their progress. Separate information will come out about this shortly, but please put this date aside in your diaries. We hope many parents, grandparents and family member will join us on this day.

This year our mid-winter Christmas focus will center on Matariki or the Maori New Year and the winter solstice. As with last year we will have some special celebrations and events at school for the children.

Jill Corkin  
Principal

## Education Information Column

### National Standards

You will have been aware of much in the media about the National Standards.

This is the name being given to a description of what every child should be able to achieve in literacy (reading, writing, oral and visual language) and mathematics at each year level.

We have always had expectations for these learning areas at each year level, so this is not new. What is new is what exactly these expectations are and the fact that ALL children are expected to be judged against them, regardless of their ability or particular learning needs. We will talk more about that later in an information evening that we will run for parents in Term 3 (keep an eye on the school diary).

This year, the requirement set by the Ministry of Education is that we report twice to parents on student progress and achievement in writing, in relation to the National Standards. As you will be aware, two written reports are already part of our cycle and we will be doing this at the end of this term, as we did last year. This report will contain actual achievement data that come from the assessments we have done of your child. At the end of the year you will be given comparable information so that you can see what change or progress there has been. Our midyear report will have explanatory notes that will allow you to make judgments about where your child is in relation to the standards.

## School Events

### Rippa Rugby

Many of our students have been learning to play Rippa Rugby at school this term. A group of about 24 Year 0 – 3 students are working with Simon our coach during Friday lunchtimes, and many of our seniors are busy training on Friday afternoons for their inter school tournament.

We were delighted to have 44 students from all levels of the school register for the free Rippa Rugby tournament held at the Mahurangi Rugby Club, on Friday afternoons at 4pm. Unfortunately, the first round today had to be cancelled due to the terrible weather.

### Netball

Our two netball teams continue their season this weekend, both having won close games last week with one goal wins! A big thank you to the large group of parents who support these players, both at Wednesday afternoon trainings, and travelling to Wellsford on Saturdays.

### Hockey

Our hockey players also had a successful week last week, with both Dylan and Luke O'Neill scoring amazing amounts of goals!

### Zone Soccer

Our Year 4 – 6 students will start training for our Zone Soccer day next week. We will be entering two teams – one in the competitive, and one in the social competitions. We wish them luck, and know that they will do us proud!