

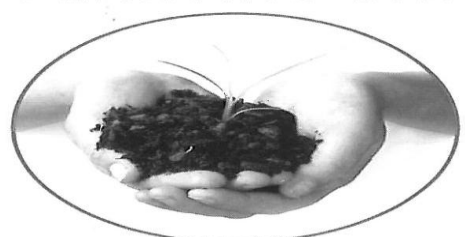
FAMILIES PLEASE HELP
Re: MISSING SCHOOL PULLOVERS

Please check your child's pullover is legibly named and that your child has their pullover.

We currently have lots of missing pullovers and a few that I cannot identify the owners of. Please check with the office if you have a missing pullover or your child has someone else's pullover.

Thank you - Miss Henry

PLANTING DAY



Scandrett Regional Park
 Sunday 24 July 2011

Bring

10am – 1pm
 Follow the signs to the planting site

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

For further information phone 09 301 0101
 or go to www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

**HELP!!! WALKING SCHOOL BUS
 PARENT DRIVER NEEDED FOR
 SEASIDE STROLLERS TERM 3.**

IF YOU LIVE BETWEEN TAMATEA DRV AND DALTON RD
 AND HAVE SPARE MORNINGS OR AFTERNOONS
 DURING THE WEEK – PLEASE SEE KERRY GORE – Nik1

Lost from Arbor Day - Snells Beach Schools

Atlas "orange metal shaft" spade.

**Please if you have this can you
 drop it back into the school**

**REMINDER SCHOOL BANKING WITH
 THE BNZ WARKWORTH**

We take children's banking on Friday mornings at
 the school office. If you would like information for
 this please see Miss Henry in the office.



Parenting Middle Years (Children aged 6-12)
 Make the most of these years while your children still
 want to be part of your team!

Start Date : Wednesday August 17th
 (6 consecutive week course)

Venue : Snells Beach School - 7.30pm – 9.30pm

The 6 week course covers the following topics:
 Parent Types, Building Character and Self-Esteem,
 Emotional Resilience, Discipline, Creating Traditions and
 Memories, Capitalising on "between-age Yrs"

This course will be facilitated by Jo Hathaway who is a
 Snells Beach School parent. Jo says - "I love facilitating the
 middle years Toolbox for 6-12 year olds. Each time I do it I
 get another burst of inspiration to try to be a fun Mum
 and not to sweat the small stuff!"

Jo can be contacted on 425 5455 if you would like to chat
 with her about the course.

Cost : \$67.50 per person or \$90 per couple

Don't let this be a reason not to come!

**Funding support is available for the course fees –
 please ask at the school office or ring Jo 425 5455.**

WHAT OTHERS HAVE SAID:

*"The Toolbox course was a wonderful way to explore our
 strengths and weaknesses as parents and to gain
 positive strategies to use with our children in a very non-
 threatening environment.*

*It has a huge focus on having fun and enjoying your
 children, we had many good laughs as well." Annette &
 Lindsay Pahl*

*"We loved laughing with other parents at our experiences
 and we valued the chance just to take time out to reflect
 on how things were going. Each week, we returned to our
 kids re-energised." Ian & Jane Suckling*

*"The Toolbox course was great. It takes you clearly
 through many of the topics that are so relevant to our
 children and family life. It is well set out, so practical and
 will give you strategies to deal with any situation. Great
 examples are given and the 'Hot tips' provide excellent
 examples of practical problem solvers. I am still using their
 'leader of the week' to deal with who sits in the front of
 the car and I purchased an electronic timer for the boys to
 use when they are taking turns." Nicki Holland*

BOT meeting dates:

3 August	31 August	
28 September	26 October	23 November



Newsletter

1 July 2011

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

From the Principal

*Tena kotou katoa, greetings to all
 our school families and friends*



Confirmed ERO Report

With this newsletter you will receive a separate report from the Education Review Office (ERO). This is the final, confirmed report that they have written about our school following their visit in the first week of the term. It is the first ERO report that our school has received. As you will see it is very positive and we found the review to be helpful and constructive, especially as a new school. It has provided us with an independent view of what we are doing and has confirmed our direction and focus. It has provided affirmation of our Living Values Programme and it speaks very positively about the respectful relationships between teachers and students and the good quality teaching that is taking place. Our students are achieving well. It also affirms our approach to curriculum and the way in which we have developed and implemented it to be relevant for us. We hope you will be pleased with what it has to say about our school:

Children are confident and enthusiastic learners who enjoy respectful relationships with each other and with adults. Their progress and achievement is fostered by the interest, involvement and support of the wider community. The school provides a welcoming and inclusive environment for all children.....

Children are confident, articulate and eager to learn. Respectful relationships and good quality teaching enable children to express and explore ideas with each other and their teachers. Teachers are skilled at talking to children about their work and giving them feedback on how to improve

I encourage you to read the full report and share it with others.

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School Diary

Week 10: 4-8 July

Monday 4 July
 Mrs Neels starts in Kahikatea 2
 'Tech Day' for Year 5 & 6

Wednesday 6 July
 7pm PTA Meeting in the staffroom.
All welcome.

Thursday 7 July
 Marae Visit for whole school
The office will be closed this day.

Friday 8 July
 Midwinter carnival Feast
 NO ASSEMBLY today
 Mid Year Reports home today

Week 11: 11-15 July
 LAST WEEK OF TERM
Tuesday 12 July
 Soccer Zone Day

Friday 15 July
 LAST DAY OF TERM
 2pm Full School Assembly
All welcome

*Note that school will finish at the
 normal time.*
6-8pm PTA FAMILY DISCO

**Try to discover the road to success
 And you'll seek but never find,
 But blaze your own path
 And the road to success
 Will trail right behind.
 ~Robert Brault**

**SCHOOL STARTS
 FOR TERM 3 AT
 9AM ON MONDAY
 1 AUGUST**

Welcome to:
 Africa Townsend Kauri 1
We hope you enjoy being at our school
 Total Roll 208

Sessions for Parents

In line with our focus as a community school, where we can be a centre for a range of activities that help both parents and students, we are keen to offer opportunities for parents to learn as well as students. Our BNZ budgeting evening was one such opportunity and next term we will be hosting the six-session Toolbox Parenting Course for parents. This is a practical course to help you learn some parenting strategies that will have ongoing benefit for your family. Although there is a cost attached to this, there is financial assistance available and subsidies for those of you who would really like to attend but cannot afford to. I urge you to consider coming along – please see the information about the course in this newsletter, or ask about it at the school office.

If you have an idea for a session that could be run to help parents, or if there is a particular topic that interests you, please drop a note in the red Principals mailbox outside my office (the children know where this is and they can drop it in there for you). We will consider organising and offering sessions that are of interest to parents.

Finally as the end of the term draws closer, we are all looking forward to the holidays. It has been a long term for the children and with the colder weather and the usual winter illnesses, children become very tired. The Health Authorities are warning us about measles and a separate notice will come home about this early next week.

We have a busy couple of weeks ahead with a number of big events still to go. There is a special **Tech Day** for our Year 5/6 students next Monday (being run for us by Mr Jarrod Corteen and College staff and students for the first time, which is very special), the **marae visit** and our **midwinter celebration** all in one week. For the soccer fans, the **Zone Soccer** Day is in the last week of term, and of course you will receive home your child's **midyear assessment summary** report on Friday 8 July.

Enjoy the final two weeks of the term.

Jill Corkin
Principal

A big 'Thank you' to the DTA for organising the Book Covering Evening Tuesday night.

A special 'Thank you' to all the parents who braved the ghastly weather and came along to help. A great time was had by all and boxes of books have now been processed.

Camp 2011 in Tongariro

The year 6's from Snells Beach School went on camp to Tongariro in June. We stayed at Camp Taurewa for three nights and four days. We did some outdoor activities in the area.

On Tuesday morning we went to Matamata for eating then on to the High Ropes at Taupo. When I saw it I freaked because they were so high! Then we got to camp.

The next morning we went caving and when I saw the caves they were pitch black dark. When we were in the caves we saw massive wetas and spiders and when everyone turned their lights off it was really dark and it seemed like there was no way out. Then when I saw light and I was like, "Yes! We are out now!"

I liked camp because we went Rafting, Tramping, Caving, High Ropes and up Mt Ruapehu. I had so much fun at camp. I will never forget it.

By Zane Just Nikau 2

On Wednesday 29th June Kauri I was invited to Snells Beach Kindy to celebrate Matariki.



I love singing at kindy. Elizabeth Perkins



I went to the kindy. I ate hangi. Paul Keenan
I got a flax flower. Emmerson Cowan

On arriving at the kindy, after a brisk walk in the cold wind, we were greeted by Martha and Jill. The kindy children then entertained us with waiata and poi. We were then treated to a hangi lunch and still had enough time to catch up with old friends and measure how much we had grown (Emmerson can no longer play on the monkey bars as her feet touch the floor). As we were leaving everyone was presented with a gift of a flax flower.



We went to the kindy, played at the kindy and kicked the ball high up in the sky. Mitchell Heaven

My Favourite Place is... Auckland Zoo

My favourite place is Auckland Zoo because it has a really cool playground, lots of food shops and an animal house with a rabbit section and guinea pig section. The other reason is because there are so many animals. My favourite one was the sea lion because you get to go in a cave and look through a glass window at them, and if you look up from the left hill you can see them on the rocks. It is not dirty there.

By Cody Bagby Manawa 1

My Mum

Her eyes are like a rainbow shining out love to me.

Her fingers are like a cats fur hugging me.

Her smile is like a diamond sparkling for me.

Hear heart is like a soft sheet.

I love my mum because she is a loveable caring Mum.

By Paris Wilson Kahikatea

The Cabin Under the House

At my Nana's house me and Isabelle have a secret cabin down under the house that only me and Isabelle and my Nana and Grandad know about. It is all cobwebby. Francis does not know about it. Nana said "when Francis is older he will know about it". It has old models that my Grandad did, of boats in the olden days. We plan secret plans. We did the plans for how to scare my Nana while she is cooking us dinner.

The only reason Francis is not allowed into the cabin is because there is a tunnel that you have to go through, and that has obstacles, so he might get frightened.

By Lily Groenhart Manawa 1