

## Snells Beach School P.T.A

Thank you to all those parents who supported our Milo Madness Day. The kids really enjoyed it and we now have some lovely new mugs for our hall kitchen.

The PTA will be selling juices for \$1 at the school cross country on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Please make sure your child brings along \$1 if they would like to purchase one.

We are currently running a Fathers Day Raffle and will be selling tickets and sausages outside the Warehouse on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August. Watch out for us also selling tickets outside the school office after school. There are some fantastic prizes up for grabs and tickets are only \$2 or 3 for \$5!

Thanks also to the parents who have offered to help with our upcoming fundraising events; we really value your assistance.

**Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.00pm everyone is welcome to join us.**

### TERM DATES

**Term 3** Start – Monday 20 July  
Finish – Friday 25 September

**Term 4** Start – Monday 12 October  
Labour Day Holiday - Monday 26 October  
Finish – Friday 18 December

THIS & PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS AS WELL AS OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE: [www.snellsbeach.school.nz](http://www.snellsbeach.school.nz)

### ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME NEWS

- Can you help us please? We need donations of:**
- ❖ Old shirts (to use as paint and gardening shirts over uniform – washed please)
  - ❖ Old Pantyhose & knee high stockings (washed)
  - ❖ Empty 1.5.Litre soft drink bottles
  - ❖ Old buckets or plastic paint pails
  - ❖ Please take these to Miss Giles in Kahikatea 1 – thank you!

**Snells Beach Garden Circle Flower Show 5 September 2009 at 1pm, Mahurangi East Community Centre.**  
This year there will be a children's section – either a Vaseline saucer with a flower petal design, OR a small bunch of flowers. We will be encouraging the children to enter this if they can. Entries are to be taken to the Mahurangi Community Centre Hall between 9.30am and 10.30am on the day.

### WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW CHILDREN WHO STARTED WITH US IN TERM 3

Elliott Carrick	Year6
Lapi Feleti	Year6
Tevalega Feleti	Year1
Tunoa Feleti	Year4

Roll total 153

### ...NEW ABSENCE TEXTING...

**We now have TextStream absence notification**  
When the rolls have been checked if we have not heard from you, you will receive a text requesting a Yes & reason or No reply. When you respond to this text it will notify me by my email. **PLEASE NOTE!**  
**YOU CAN ONLY REPLY TO THIS SENT MESSAGE; TEXTING THIS NUMBER WITHOUT HAVING RECEIVED THE MESSAGE WILL NOT GET TO THE OFFICE**

### SELF EXPLAINING ROADS PROJECT

**An opportunity for parents and students to have their say**

A practical hands on community participation workshop- your chance to get involved in the design and modelling process, & give your suggestions on the road environment in Snells Beach.  
**Drop by anytime between 2.30pm-4.00pm on Friday 28th August in the School Library**

### CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

**PLEASE FILL THIS IN AND RETURN TO THE OFFICE IF YOUR CONTACT DETAILS HAVE CHANGED**

CHILDS NAME..... PARENTS NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

HOME PH:..... CELL PH:..... WORK PH:.....

EMERGENCY CONTACT (OTHER THAN PARENTS) NAME:..... PH:.....



# Newsletter

21 August 2009

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

### From The Principal

*Kia ora and greetings to our school families*

**Thank you to everyone who came to or supported our official opening on 11 August with the Minister of Education. It was a great event and we were very proud of the children and the school. Special thanks to the PTA for their help with morning tea and to all the families who sent along food. We have received lots of great feedback – thank you! PHOTOS FROM THE EVENT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE**

### Measles

The Ministries of Health & Education are warning us about outbreaks of measles and are asking that parents and caregivers check that children's immunizations are up to date.

**The Ministry of Health requires students who have no proven immunity to measles (through immunisation or previous exposure) to be sent home and excluded for 14 days if there is a measles outbreak in their class. Immunisation is free. Once immunised, 90 to 95% of people are protected from measles. Any child who has a proven case of measles must stay away from 7 days from the appearance of the rash.**

Please see your family doctor for more information, or call the Immunisation Advisory Centre on 088 466 863 (0800 IMMUNE).

### Enrolments at Mahurangi College for 2010

We were visited by Mr Macleod and Mrs Hollyer on Thursday this week. They spoke to the Year 6 students about the college and gave each child an enrolment pack to take home. **Please check that you have received this.**

There are a further series of events and dates that you need to put in your diaries:

**Parent Information Meeting – Wednesday 26 August 6-7pm at the College.**

This is an opportunity to find out more and see what the College has to offer.

**Enrolment Day – Thursday 10 September 2.30-6.00pm at the College.**

This is the time to actually enroll your child. You must take the child's birth certificate or passport to verify the date of birth.

### Mid Year Reporting

Shortly we will be sending home a mid-year assessment summary. This records the results of the assessments your child has undertaken so far this year. It is data driven and designed to share with you the assessment information we hold on your child. More details will follow – please make sure you read this when it comes home.

Regards  
Jill Corkin

## School Diary

### Week 6

**Saturday 22 August**  
7.30 pm Ladies Lions Dance in the school hall

**Wednesday 26 August**  
6pm Parent information evening Mahurangi College

**Thursday 27 August**  
9.15am Mahurangi College Testing Year 6  
1pm School Cross Country

**Friday 28 August**  
**DAFFODIL DAY – DRESS IN YELLOW**  
2pm Senior Assembly  
2.30-4pm Self Explaining Roads Consultation Meeting in the library

### Week 7

**Thursday 3 September**  
7pm PTA Meeting in the staffroom

**Friday 4 September**  
2pm School Oratory Afternoon (Speech Finals) Parents welcome.  
PTA Fathers Day Raffle Draw

**Saturday 5 September**  
9.30am Entries to the Community Hall for flower Show  
1pm Flower Show open for viewing

**Other important dates:**  
**Tuesday 8 September**  
Interschool Cross Country

**Thursday 10 September**  
2.30-6pm Enrolments at Mahurangi College



## New Walking School Bus Routes

We are starting two new Walking School Bus routes this term.

### 'Park & Walk'

This option would be great for families who live a bit further away from the school but would like their children to be part of a walking School Bus.

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesday Mornings - park/meet at Highfield Reserve (aka the Donkey Park).

A walking school bus will then walk to school. An easy 3 km trip for parent walkers and just over a km walk for children to get to school.

### Foster Crescent

This route uses the back entrance to the school and is designed for children in Foster Crescent, Iris St and Cornell Circle; as well as anyone who wants to meet the WSB after coming from kindergarten or through Goodall Reserve.

A WSB is a group of children that walk to school together with adult support; they arrive at school safe, happy and ready to learn.

Great exercise and social opportunities for everyone.

Both of these new 'buses' start Monday the 31st August.

Find out more at the school office.

## Wearable Arts



Congratulations to the following children who were selected as our class winners at our wearable arts parade on Friday 14 August 2009:

JOSHUA BAILEY	NIKAU 1
THE WIZARD OF WONDER & WASTE	
GABRIELLE BAILEY	NIKAU 2
TANIWHA	
XANTHE SCANDRETT	MANAWA 1
PLASTIC FANTASTIC	
JESSICA LEANING	MANAWA 2
SEA GIRL	
JORDAN VEGAR	KAHIKATEA 2
SILVER FERN	
BLAKE HEAVEN	KAHIKATEA 1
AUTUMN LEAVES	
KAYA SUTHERLAND	KAURI 2
FLOWER	
ELLA BARTLETT	KAURI 1
SEA BASKET	

It was very difficult for the judges as there were many costumes that deserved mention.

Ella, Kaya, Blake, Jordan, Gabrielle and Joshua will represent us at the Catwalk Arts Competition Ascension Vineyard on 28<sup>th</sup> August (evening) & 29<sup>th</sup> August

Congratulations to all involved – and thank you to parents who contributed and supported.



# SPORTS ROUNDUP

## CROSS COUNTRY

Snells Beach School's Cross Country will take place next **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August**. The races will be based on the school field, and incorporating a circuit around the school grounds. There will be a separate event for each age group, with a longer length circuit for our senior students. Place-getters from our Year 5 and 6 events will travel to the Inter school Cross Country, to be held at Kaipara Flats School.

As in all Cross Country races, we anticipate the children may get reasonably muddy. We ask that they bring mufti clothing to wear for the race only, so they can put their dry uniform on afterwards. To add some extra fun competition to the day we will be collecting House Points. Where possible we would like the children to wear clothes in their house colours – they will be reminded of these at school. If your child does not have any suitable clothing of that colour, mufti will be fine – we will identify them in an alternative way. (Schooners-Green, Scows-Red, Cutters-Yellow, Dorries-Blue).

**Parents and supporters are welcome. Years 0 – 3 will race between 11:00 and 12:00ish.**

**Years 4 – 6 will race between 1:00 – 2:20ish.**

A full school assembly with certificates for place getters will take place at 2:30. Immediately after this the PTA will be selling juices for \$1 each.

## TOUCH RUGBY

We have had a large amount of interest from the students, in playing touch rugby for the school in the Sharks competition which will be held at Shoemith Domain on Monday afternoons/evenings. We are desperate for parent coaches and/or managers at all levels. At this stage we would like to enter a Year 1/2 team, Year 3/4 team, and a Year 5/6 team.

**If you are able to assist us please contact Trent Morley or Kathryn Ramel as soon as possible.**

Also, if your child would like to play touch, please ensure their form is returned to Mr Morley. Fees for touch will be \$45.



## FUNDRAISING DANCE

**SATURDAY**

**22 AUGUST 2009**

**7.30PM - 11PM**

**Snells Beach School**

**Dawson Road.**

*"Tuesday night lessons have already started 7 - 8.30 don't miss out"*

## TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

**@ Snells Beach School & Not Just Hats WW**

*For further information*

*Ph Olwyn 425-4673*

*Ph Lynne 425-4999*

## DAWG DAYS

Manawa One are fundraising for a trip to Kawau Island.

We have been learning about Kawau Island since last term. Some of the features of Kawau Island we have learned about /are learning about are:

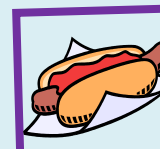
- Mansion House
- Governor Grey's gardens
- The copper mines
- Exotic plants and animals

**DAWG day sales Are on**

Friday 21st August  
Friday 28th August  
Friday 4th September

**THANK YOU FROM MANAWA ONE!**

**Hot dogs \$2  
Juicies \$1**



## Friday 28 August

Daffodil lapel brooches will be available from the school office for a gold coin donation.

Children can wear yellow to celebrate on the day – a yellow hat, scarf, Tshirt, shorts, yellow ribbons in their hair – whatever they like. And we will be having 'yellow' activities throughout the day.

**A coin trail will be set up to raise funds for the Cancer Society – please send a coin with your child on the day for this.**

Please help us support this worthy cause.

*Thank you!*