

Board of Trustees News

Meeting Dates Term 4

19 November

17 December

Meetings start at 5pm and are held in the Boardroom.

Interested parents are welcome to attend.



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Skipping September raised \$50.30 for the Heart Foundation.

Thank you for your participation - it was great to see the children enjoying skipping so much!

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 RESPOND WITHIN THE ½ HOUR - this is for your child's safety PLEASE NOTE! YOU CAN ONLY REPLY TO THIS SENT MESSAGE; TEXTING THIS NUMBER WITHOUT HAVING RECEIVED THE MESSAGE WILL NOT GET TO THE OFFICE!!!!**

TERM DATES

Term 4 Start - Monday 12 October Labour Day Holiday - Monday 26 October
Finish - Friday 18 December at 12 noon (to accommodate buses)

School will start for 2010 on Wednesday 3 February 2010

THIS & PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS AS WELL AS OTHER SCHOOL INFORMATION
CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE: www.snellsbeach.school.nz



Newsletter

16 October 2009

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

From The Principal

Greetings to our school families and welcome back to the start of another term.

I hope everyone had a relaxed and happy break. The weather certainly encouraged lots of reading and indoor activity! We are looking forward to another busy term ahead. I would like to extend a special welcome to new families and children to the school (see over), and also to Ms Maja Bosshart, a visiting teacher from Switzerland who is with us until the end of October. We look forward to you becoming part of our school family.

Term 4 Curriculum Overview

Our focus on literacy and numeracy continues this term with an increased emphasis on writing, following a successful professional development day with the staff held in the holidays to focus on this. The **Living Values Focus** for the term is: **UNITY**

Our Integrated Inquiry context is: **Where are we going? What does the future hold? What customs and traditions are important to us?**

The children and the staff will be focusing on what we have done as a new school this year, what things we have enjoyed and found worthwhile, and what we hope to keep as traditions in the future, as well as thinking about our hopes for our school into the future.

Curriculum emphasis through inquiry will be on **THE ARTS**.

Our Health and PE focus will be delivered through a visit from the Life Education Caravan in Week 2. All classes will be covering the Social relationships strand, which fits with our value of Unity.

The PE focus in classrooms school-wide is on Athletics, and the launch of our school as a Travelwise School (Week 4).

This term we enter into the review phase of the year for the school, when we evaluate how things have gone and what the student achievement data is telling us. Parents will be asked to give us some feedback later this term - I hope you will take up this opportunity to do so.

Jill Corkin
Principal

School Diary

Week 2 Term 4

Life Education begins this week.
Money needs to be at school by Monday please.

Thursday 22 October
7.30pm - PTA meeting in the staffroom. *All welcome.*

Friday 23 October
11.30-12.30 - Massed Choir Practice at Warkworth Primary
2pm - Junior School Assembly

Week 3 Term 4

Monday 26 October
HOLIDAY - no school today

Friday 30 October
2pm - Senior School Assembly

Other Important Dates to Note:

Week 4 - 2 November
Swimming starts for Years 3 & 4
Travelwise Week starts

Week 6 - School Athletics
Tuesday 24 November - Zone Athletics

Friday 4 December - Carols by Candlelight at School

Saturday 5 December - Warkworth Santa Parade

Friday 11 December - Carols By Candlelight at Lucy Moore Park

HATS

Hats will be compulsory from the Tuesday after Labour Weekend.



New stock has arrived and these are available from the office for \$12.

Children must wear the school sunhat – caps are not acceptable.

YEAR 5 EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

We are finalizing plans for our Year 5 Education Outside the Classroom Programme, involving a range of activities including an overnight stay. This programme will involve Year 5 students from Manawa 1 and Nikau 2, and will run predominantly on Wednesday afternoons, starting mid-term. This programme will be a significant step in preparing these students for the Year 6 mountain camp at Tongariro National Park which they will attend next year. Detailed information will be sent to Year 5 parents shortly.



High Tea Kahikatea 2



Grandparents Day Manawa 2



WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW CHILDREN

Year 0
Kiarah Flavell

Year 1
Benjamin McMurtrie

Year 2
Safia Price

Year 3
Talia Carter

Year 5
Shania Price
Zahra van Donselaar
James Pollitt

Year 6
Phoebe van Donselaar

Total Roll 163

Special welcome to Mrs Holland in Puriri 2 and Ms Bosshart in Manawa 1

REMINDER FOR JUNIOR SCHOOL PARENTS.

The meeting place for your child after school is in the central courtyard. Any children not collected from here will be taken to the office. We would appreciate you move from the courtyard promptly after school to allow for skids activities and organisation of bus children. Thank you.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Harbour Sport Community Excellence Awards

We are delighted to announce that we have been selected as *the runner-up of the Primary/Secondary School Initiative for the 2009 Harbour Sport Community Excellence Awards.*



These awards are described as an opportunity to acknowledge and thank those unsung heroes within the North Harbour Region who have made a significant contribution to increasing sport, recreation and physical activity, and who have made our community a better place to live. We have been recognized for our community Wednesday Walks initiative in association with Push Play Neighbourhood Community.

We have won a \$75.00 Sports Distributors Voucher which will be used to purchase Athletics Equipment for the school.

TOUCH RUGBY

We have three Touch Rugby teams which will continue to play at Shoesmith Domain on Monday afternoons this term in the Sharks Competition. Many thanks to the parents who coach, manage and support our players. This week's results were:

(Juniors) Stingrays lost to Warkworth Concrete 6 – 5, with Zac Farniloe scoring all five tries for his team. Well done Zac!

(Middle School) Snappers won 4 – 6 vs the Cougars. Jordan Vegar and Jonathan Bassett were awarded Players of the Day.

(Seniors) Kingi's lost 7 – 0 to a very polished Warkworth Concrete team.

SWIMMING

This term our Year 3 & 4 swim programme will commence on 5th November, at the Mahurangi College pool. This completes our School wide Swim Programme consisting of:

- Year 1 & 2 Water Confidence at Snells Beach (Term 1)
- Year 3 & 4 Instructional Swimming at Mahurangi College Pool (Term 4)
- Year 5 & 6 Water Survival at Snells Beach and Omaha Beach (Term 1)

Mahurangi College have kindly offered the use of their pool free of charge, which is wonderful. We are currently looking for parental support for transport to complete our organization for this programme. Parents of students involved will receive information with their child today.