



Learning for Life

# Newsletter

15 December 2015

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



## A personal thank you

As this is my last newsletter and my last chance to speak directly to all the parents, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for seven and a half wonderful years at Snells Beach School.

**Thank you** to the Establishment Board for having faith in me and appointing me.

**Thank you** to the fabulous Board Chairs – Kate Leslie, Bridget Farmiloe, Don Scandrett, Maarten Kleyn and Nathaniel Heslop and the trustees behind them who have worked with me and supported me.

**Thank you** to the fabulous parents that I have got to know, who have shared a laugh with me, brought morning tea for us and who have joined the PTA and have shared some fun times with us.



**Thank you** to the teachers and support staff, my dear colleagues and friends who have helped me build this school into the great place of learning that it is.

**Thank you** to the children past and present who have taught me so much, given me many laughs, and in whom I have so much pride.

**Thank you** to the parents for sharing your children with me and the staff and for all the support you so willingly give.

I am truly lucky to have ended my career in education in this place. It is dear to my heart and I hope that a part of me will always remain here, as a large part of you all and this place will remain with me. I am humbled by the tributes and kind words that were spoken at the assembly yesterday and I will treasure the memory of that special event. To the staff and the children and the parents who made it happen - thank you.

I hope that my ties with the school can continue. I will have much pride in returning to present the Corkin Cup each year and (if I am allowed) to cook for the Year 6's at camp. The Corkin Courtyard is a very special addition to the school and will be well used I know. Thank you to the Board and staff who made that happen – I am honoured that it is named after me.

And finally, thank you for all the cards and gifts and beautiful words.  
I will treasure them all.

*Meri Kirihimete ki a koe me te whanau.*

*Arohanui*

Jill Corkin  
Principal

### LOST PROPERTY

We have a huge number of sweatshirts and other items awaiting collection.  
Please see Miss Henry in the office before 18 December to check these.

**Any items remaining after 18 December will be disposed of.**

## ***Some reminders for the start of 2016***

**School starts on TUESDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2016 at 9am.**

- Class lists will be posted on the office windows on Thursday 28 January 2016 – the week before school starts. They will remain there until after school starts. We are still making up class lists and depending on enrolments this process will continue over the holidays.
- The office will be open for uniform purchases, general enquiries and enrolments from Monday 18 January 2016 from 9am – 3pm Mon-Fri.
- Information about stationery is on the website- [www.snellsbeach.school.nz](http://www.snellsbeach.school.nz)
- If you have second hand uniform to sell please bring it into the office **washed** with an itemised list of what you are selling, giving your postal address and contact phone no. before 18 December or as soon as possible after 18 January. Thank you.

## **The Great Snells Trail**

Thank you to the Board of Trustees, PTA and all the helpers for the fantastic effort and outcome for the trail this year.

Final monies still have to come in but it looks as if the result will come out close to \$7,000 raised. Everyone put in a tremendous effort this year and I want to thank everyone who played a part. Thanks also to the parents and friends who supported the event by coming along on the day – it was a great atmosphere.

**Special thanks to the following people and businesses who supported the Trail:**

The Warehouse  
SJS Construction  
Sandcastles Early Childhood Centre  
Medi Spa Warkworth  
Snells Beach Dairy  
Talbot Dance Academy  
Dave Prior, Barfoot & Thompson  
Lindsay Reid, King O the Castle  
Warkworth Collision Repairs  
Warkworth Butcher  
The Silver Tones (music on Friday night)  
Liquorland (wines and help on Friday night)  
The Coffee Spot  
Mr Whippy Matakana Coast  
Little & Local (art display)  
Mahurangi Tennis Club (screens)  
The artists who donated work – Wyn Thomas & Hugh Brading

All the wonderful parents who helped with baking for the day, creating curries and helping out at all the stands; Lovetta Bayer, Helen Jenkins, Cherry McGuire, Robayne Magnusson, Michelle Jackson, Helen Yorke, Jen ands, Su Henry, Jean Vegar, Sarah Howlett, Sarah Dimitrient, Kim Bartlett, Michelle Wyatt, Kathy Conradie, Nikki Chapman, Stacey Harper, Carrie McMillan, Ardene Adams, Lisa Olsen, Becky Varty, Vicky Ratcliffe, Emma Thompson, Kelly Church, Dave Prior, Shane McGuire, Helen Bartrom, Maarten Kleyn, Jarrod Dive, Roane Gillespie, Bridget Farmiloe, Joss Shurey, Marissa Bale, Lynda & Shane Stanley, Jen & Jason Sands, Michelle Corringham, Jemma White, Kim Love, Dee & Mike Gray.

**THANK YOU EVERYONE!**