

WORSER BAY SCHOOL NEWS

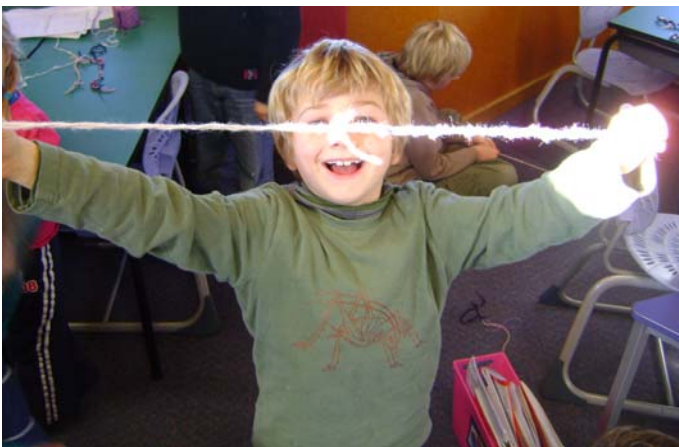
Kau mau te wehi! (Grasp the Magic!)

Week 9/11 - Friday 18 June 2010

Hunting and Gathering



Scraping flax to get fibres for rope weaving



*and...
discovering how traps work.*



Tēnā koutou e te whanau o te Whetukairangi

What better way to celebrate Matariki on Monday than feasting on delicious hot soup and bread, and what a great example of our strategic goal of an 'Engaged Community'. Traditionally, Matariki was a time to gather, to feast and to celebrate the next year together. Our shared lunch on Monday was just this. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time to help out and be a part of the day with us.

How wonderful it has been to see the caring relationships and reciprocal learning across the school over the last few weeks during our Matariki afternoons. It has been a chance for all students to develop their Key Competencies, in particular learning to interact with people that they don't usually work with and cooperate while sharing and creating. There has been a strong sense of learning from each other, as students have taken on teaching roles with both younger students and those of their own age. Teachers have also been learning from students and it has been this sharing of the learning process that has been the highlight of our Matariki afternoons.

Come along next Thursday to the Matariki Open Afternoon to see for yourself the creative ideas, discussions and new learning from the last few weeks. Look forward to seeing you here!

Noho ora mai ra.

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ACTION AT A GLANCE

- **Matariki Open Afternoon**
3.00 - 6.00 pm, Thursday 24th June
- **Assembly - Last one for Term 2!**
9.15 am, Friday 25th June
- **Return Flippaball Interest slip by 30th June.**
(See page 2.)
- **Return Disco payment and slip.** (See page 2.)
- **Please pay your Voluntary Donation for 2010**
as soon as possible, if you have not yet done so.
- **Sushi Lunch Orders (a yummy lunch option)**
Remember your Sushi Lunch Order needs to be in by 9.00 am Thursday for Friday. Please put your **child's name, area and correct money** in a sealed envelope and drop it in the box in the school office.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

The Principal's Awards for this week are for:

- * Being flexible
- * Making improvements - responding to feedback.

Tautoru

Making improvements to improve the quality of their writing and handwriting: Sophina and Taylor
Responding to feedback in writing and improving the quality of her work: Isabella
Responding to feedback in his writing: James

Autahi

Being flexible: Caitlin
Responding positively to feedback: Nico

Māhutonga

Being flexible: Jo and Alexandra
Responding to feedback: Johannes and Freya

Next week's foci will be:

Speaking different languages at school.
Including people in your play and in your work.

Staff News

Unfortunately, our lovely Suzanne will be absent from school until the end of Term 2 due to health reasons. Fleur will be working with our Tautoru students in the interim.

From the HOME AND SCHOOL

Our Next Home and School Meeting is this **Wednesday 23rd June** 7pm in the Staffroom. Come along and join us!

Thank you!

Thanks to some great parental support, every child in the school has had an opportunity to make and try the Takakau bread! We have had a parent volunteer in each morning for the past two weeks, working with small groups in the staffroom as part of the Matariki Celebrations.

We also served 75 cups of lovely warm soup and a mountain of fresh crusty bread on Monday, and again it was because we had a great team of Mums and Dads to help.

Well done and a BIG thank you!

Worser Bay School Disco – Friday 30th July, 6-8pm, at the Salvation Army Hall, Miramar.

Dust off your dancing shoes, practice your moves to the latest grooves and buy yourself a ticket for the highly anticipated Worser Bay School Disco! Tickets are \$5 per child (adults free!). *Sorry, this event is just for Worser Bay School families.*

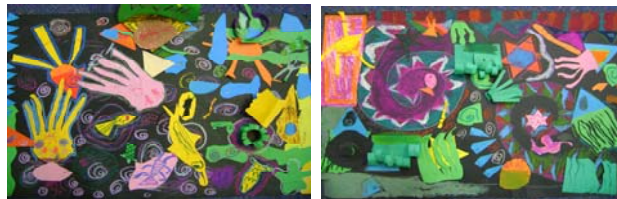
See you on Wednesday night!
Nicola Lancaster
Chair of the Home and School
nic.lancaster@clear.net.nz

School Production

Next term we are celebrating the Sky, Earth and Sea in an across-school production. We are in the process of capturing the creativity in our classrooms and would love to have parents involved with making the Production a super success. If you are able to lend a hand, please pass your name and details to your child's teacher.

Thanks in advance,

The Arts Team



Sports, Sports, Sports

Netball:

Year 5/6 team vs Clyde Quay at 12pm, Court 3.
Year 4 team vs Miramar Central at 1.30pm, Court 2.

Miniball:

Worser Bay Wild Bulls lost to Seatoun last week but they had a great game!

Flippaball:

Another great win against Scots College. Well done!

Flippaball - Term 3:

If any children in Years 4 - 6 are keen to play Flippaball in Term 3, please fill in and return the Reply Slip below by **Wednesday 30th June**. Practices are on Wednesday mornings at 7am at the Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre and games are on Fridays after 3.30pm.

Reply Slip for Flippaball (Yrs 4 - 6)

I would like to be a part of a Worser Bay School Flippaball team.

Child's Name:

Year:

Parent's Signature:

Please return by **Wednesday 30th June**.

Worser Bay School Disco – Friday 30th July

Child's Name _____
Tautoru / Autahi / Māhutonga (**please circle**)

Child's Name _____
Tautoru / Autahi / Māhutonga

would like _____ Disco Tickets at \$5 each

I have enclosed \$ _____ Cash / Cheque **Or**

I have paid \$ _____ Direct Transfer to the

Home and School Committee Account
060513 0304691 00

(**please use 'Disco' and Family Name as reference**)

from AUTAHI

Happy Matariki! Happy Maori New Year!

As part of our celebrations we have been learning to make Takakau bread. We have also enjoyed a soup and bread lunch thanks to the Home and School. Now that we have some clear skies, see if the children can show you where Matariki is!

Here are some examples of our procedural or instructional writing.

How to make bread:

3 cups of flour 2 teaspoons of baking powder
2 cups of water

After everyone got a turn we got to mix it with a knife. You put some flour on the rolling pin and the middle table and put the dough on the table and roll and roll till it is like three pancakes. Me and Rebecca did the dishes. The boys were cleaning the floor and Sadie and Jack R washed the table. *by Tasia*

Wash your hands!

3 cups of flour 2 teaspoons of baking powder
2 cups of water

We mixed and mixed. We put it in the oven for 15 minutes. We ate it. We packed up. It was fun and yummy. *by Kate M*

3 cups of flour 2 teaspoons of baking powder
2 cups of water

We got to mix it with a knife, then you put some flour on the table and put the dough on the table and roll the dough down on the table. And then you put the dough on the tray. Then you put the tray in the oven to cook. *by Kate R*



PENCILS, PLEASE, AUTAHI!

At the beginning of the year, children all had 10 pencils on their stationery list. All of these have now been distributed and we are running short of pencils. Please could everyone purchase 10 more pencils to send to school. Named pencils are great. Staedtler or Faber Castell HB pencils are preferred as these are better quality and less likely to break. We don't want to take up too much of our precious learning time looking for or sharpening pencils!

A note from TAUTORU

Tautoru maths this week has been all about multiplication... groupings and skip counting. Until the end of the term we will be skip counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s. As we continue to look at different groupings or arrangement of numbers we will be asking ourselves "What is the best way to count this pattern to work out the total?" Here are some examples of our learning...



If I touch 2 dots at a time, I can count them all in twos.



I am learning to skip count in 5s and 10s using fingers and hands.

I painted five dots and then I folded them over to double them... that makes 10.



A note from MĀHUTONGA

In Māhutonga we have had a busy week. We have baked Takakau bread and eaten it - YUMMY, we have been to Te Papa and experienced Matariki outside the school environment, and some of us have represented our school at Interzone Cross Country.

We have also been decorating our classroom with posters and displays of what we have been learning.

In Maths have been making strategy posters:

"We made posters so we could remember different ways to work maths problems out." *Martha*

"We did posters so we could remember different ways to work math problems out." *Emma*

For Spelling we have been making long vowel posters and prefix posters:

"We made prefix posters so we could put prefixes into our writing." *Monique*

"Our long and short vowel posters let us look at different words and see what patterns are similar." *Seb and Thomas M*

For Writing we have been making a word wall with amazing adjectives and vivid verbs:

"We made a word wall so that people can use the words to make their writing more interesting." *Taine and Briana*

This helps us take ownership of what we are learning. Our displays are a record of what we have been learning and, most of all, they remind us what we have learnt so we can use them when we work independently.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Has anyone seen... Leony's lovely new watch?

Leony is missing her new watch! She left her watch on her bag in the Māhutonga coat-bay before going to wash her hands. Later when she went back to get her watch she couldn't find it anymore. It might have slipped from her bag where someone has found it wondering whose watch it is. If you found it and have been looking after it, it is Leony's watch. Thank you very much for taking care of the watch. Can you please pass it to Leony or drop it off at the office? The picture shows what the watch looks like. Thanks!!!



Has anyone seen... a grey and black school backpack?

Lost somewhere around top of Awa Road, between Totara and Seatoun Heights Roads. Please ring Lesleigh, 976 3455.

Found - Black Pet Rabbit

If you know anyone who has lost their black pet rabbit in the Broadway/Tio Tio Rd area, please call Carolyn on 388 8952.

Solo Fathers, At Home Dads, Shared Care Fathers

Is this you? Would you appreciate the opportunity to share your experiences with other men, hear how they cope, and find out what is available.

Join us on Wednesday 7th July at either 10.00 am or 7.30 pm at the Kilbirnie-Lyall Bay Community Centre, 56-58 Bay Road, Kilbirnie. The meetings will be facilitated by Tom White (Wesley Community Action and shared-care father).

Childcare available. Please register for this by phoning Citizens' Advice Bureau on 387 3573.

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