

Worser Bay School Children love learning. At our school, the entire school community can:

* See achievement celebrated and children valued as individuals; * Feel motivated and inspired to participate; * Experience success.

WORSER BAY SCHOOL NEWS

Term 4, Week 4, Friday 18 November 2011



Māhutonga students sharing their compositions

I'm learning to keep my body straight when diving like a pin.

I'm learning to be more brave when diving off big heights.



Māhutonga students are loving their swimming!

ACTION AT A GLANCE

- Remember your **sunhats and sunscreen**. (**No sunhats, no play!**)
- **Rising Fives, Term 4** - Fridays 2 - 2.45 pm until Friday 9 December.
- Please check out the **Class Learning Link** on the website.
- See you at the **Roxy at 7.30 pm next Wednesday, 24 November** to celebrate our school and the support you have shown this year.
- **Sports Prize Giving - 3.15 pm, Thursday 24 November** at school. (All Flippaball, Miniball and Netball teams - students, coaches, managers and parents.)
- **Year 5 Sailing** - Monday 5 December - Afternoon
- **Year 6 Sailing** - Friday 9 December - Morning
Reply slip in by Monday 28th November please
- Please diary **Wednesday 14 December 5.30pm - Christmas Wrap** (Whole School) and **Thursday 15 December - Year 6 Leavers' Dinner and Parent Drinkies!**
- If your child/children are leaving school in 2012, please let us know.

Tēnā koutou e te whanau o te Whetukairangi

Kia ora koutou

You may think the last few weeks of the school year are nice and relaxed, the warmth of the sun lulling us into a holiday-like state... .. a bit like a Tui ad really - in our dreams! I bet your calendars are filling up fast too - so please remember to make space for the important school occasions on the horizon.

As well as being rather 'full', this is also a really exciting time of the year. At a Board and Staff level we are well into planning ahead, using all of those creative and critical thinking skills we have been using with the children and getting all fired up and energised for what will certainly be a great remaining 4 weeks of 2011 and a stunning 2012 - a year where we crank things up yet another notch!

Two social occasions to allow a little piece of pre-festive spirit to slip in are coming up soon. We hope to see as many of you as possible at The Roxy next Wednesday, 23rd November, at 7.30 pm to celebrate our school and the support you have shown this year. Then we look forward to raising a glass to Marylyn on Friday 9 December here at school... please find more details in this newsletter. Marylyn has dedicated over 23 years of her career to WBS and although that little red car will still be tootling around The Bays from time to time (as she will become our favourite reliever), she officially retires from teaching at the end of 2011. Again, please try and make some time to pop along... she would love that

By the way, if the Ukestars think they will have one over the teachers this year at The Wrap - sorry, mistaken!

No ora mai ra!

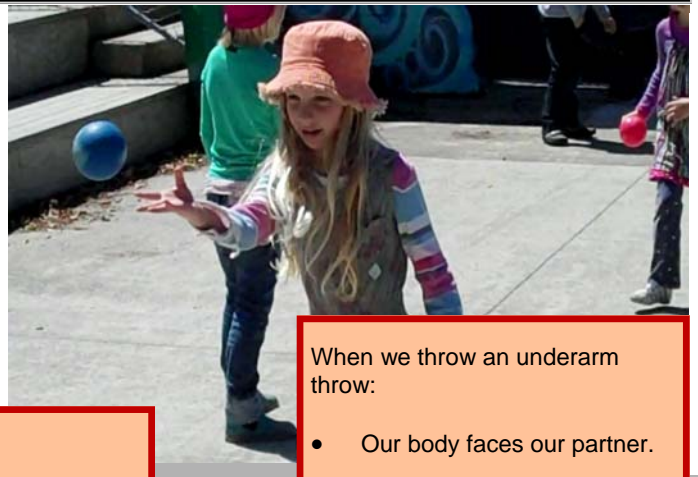
Jude



Two of our keen musicians!

Throwing and Catching

Responding to feedback in Physical Education was our goal this week. We gave feedback to each other as we explored and practised our underarm throws and catching.



- When we throw an underarm throw:
- Our body faces our partner.
 - We have our feet apart.
 - We have our eyes on our partner's hands.
 - We swing slowly and let go.



- When we catch:
- Our eyes are on the ball.
 - We have our feet apart.

Maths



"In Scott's maths group we are learning to solve subtraction problems by making tidy numbers."
Lia, Anna and Isabelle



"In Suzanne's maths group we are learning to count in 10s and 1s."
Eleanor

"We are making 2 and 3 digit numbers with the blocks."
Sage



"We were seeing if the pipes were 1/10, 1/100 or 1/1000."
Leila

"We learnt to say decimals."
Anthony

"We learnt with small pipes how to make decimal numbers like .7."
James



"In Hamish's maths group we are trying to make 'ty' numbers which are also called tidy tens."
George

"We are making tidy numbers."
Jack H

For Poi and paper crafts we are asking students to pay \$5.00 to cover costs of materials. Please bring your \$5.00 in an envelope with your child's name to the office by Friday 2 December. Thanks again.

We have begun our Passions. Your child was able to choose from skateboarding, paper crafts and kapa haka and poi making.

Skateboarders will need their safety gear and skateboard.

Students making paper crafts need 6 photos where a face can be cut out to fit inside a circle measuring 6 cm across.



A note from MĀHUTONGA and MATARIKI

BOSS FOR THE WEEK: By Ian and John

Chorus

I woke up this mornin'
still half asleep
then I remembered
I'm boss for the week
I'm boss for the week
I'm boss for the week
then I remembered
I'm boss for the week

Verse 1

Get to work trip at the door
Lost my shoe on the 13th floor
Tie got caught in the elevator door
I got hit with a rowing oar

Chorus

Verse 2
Next day starts It's the black plague
A swarm of locusts and zombies invade
From the top story I got hurled
And oops I just blew up the world

Chorus

Outro
Boss for the week
Boss for the week
Then I remembered
I'm boss for the week!



John Shea tried to hijack the school at the assembly by claiming he was "Boss for the week"! Jude is having words with him this afternoon in *her* office...or is it his?

Boss for the Week is just one of the song titles being created at the moment. Other titles include *Slime!*, by Nico and Reuben, *Happy Birds* by Barney and Brynn, and *Summer Time* by Ella W, Caitlin and Helen.

Some of the bands include Purple Elephant, Super Epicness, Crash, and Katie and da kitty cats.

Kids are loving this!

Assigning band roles:

Maybe I could be the publicist and designer.

We need a producer.



SAILING:

Our Year 5 and 6 students are off to learn to sail and enjoy the water in early December.

More information will be coming, so keep an eye out and mark the date in your calendars.

Year 5: Monday 5th December in the afternoon

Year 6: Friday 9th December in the morning

You will need: togs, towel, wetsuit (if you have one), change of clothes, snacks. Permission slip on page 5.

HOMEWORK:

Basic facts and Spelling Rockets. They will be completing their own songs and poems.

Swimming

We are learning to do survival backstroke and breaststroke. *Ella N., Ruby B., Katie and Anneke*

Keeping my legs straight and not equalising too hard. *Polly*

I am learning to jump off the 3m diving board backwards. *Joe*

I am learning to keep my legs together and my body straight when I jump off the 3m diving board. *Kirstie*

I am learning to jump forwards, backwards and head first into the water. *Ruby C.*



Come and raise a glass to Marylyn!



When?

Friday 9th December, anytime between 3.30 and 6.00 pm

Where?

Here at school, exact whereabouts dependent on the weather!

Do I bring a present?

Marylyn would love to have an opportunity to buy books for the school library. So, the thing to do, is pop a koha into the office, we will purchase a voucher from the Children's Bookshop and Marylyn will then shop to her heart's content.

What do I do with the children?

A common question! We would love this to be more of an 'adult event' but realise the timing may not really support this. We encourage children to utilise our wonderful environment and bring their own afternoon snack please!

Drinks and nibbles provided for adults.

Sports Prize Giving Reminder

Just a quick reminder about our sports prize giving next Thursday 24th November from 3.15 - 4.15 pm (approx). Children from Worser Bay Miniball, Netball and Flippaball teams are all invited, along with coaches, managers and parents.

The afternoon will run roughly in this order:

- Prize Giving
- Fun Games for all students and parents (Coaches and Managers come prepared to debrief over the beverage of your choice.)

This is a great chance to celebrate our students' achievements, thank our parent helpers and have a fun afternoon. We look forward to seeing you there.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Our Principal's Awards for last week were for:
* Responding to feedback in physical education.

Tautoru-iti and Tautoru

Molly D.

Autahi

Jack C.C., Sadie, Leo W.

Māhutonga and Matariki

David, Brenna, Ian, Oliver

Our Principal's Awards for this week are for:

* Supporting others in the playground.

Welcome to Caitlyn, whose family is new to the school, who started with us this week.

We look forward to guiding your development and learning.

From the Home and School

Well, we have had the final Fair meeting wrapping up the last of the fair tasks and the opportunity to reflect over what is a very successful outcome - \$28,000! But wait, there's more....

Mini Silent Auction

We would like to thank the school community, local community and businesses for their wonderful support of Worser Bay School Fair and the Silent Auction. We do have a few lots available that we would like to offer for you, your work colleagues, friends and family to make bids on. With Christmas round the corner, it is a perfect time to make a bid and get your shopping done early. So check out the following link <http://www.worserbay.school.nz/school-fair-2011/83.html>, email it around and start bidding. Bidding starts now and closes at 3 pm on Friday 2 December 2011. You can bid online or there is a box in the school office. Winning bidders will be announced on Monday 5 December 2011. Good Luck!!! Thank you for your support of this extra fundraising venture, which benefits your child/ren at Worser Bay School.

I hope to catch up with many of you at the up coming Roxy on the 23rd, that will hopefully allow us adults to wrap up our year before the kids wrap up theirs at the Xmas Wrap.

Eleni Moore

Chair of Home and School

moore@vodafone.net.nz or 388 8137

Sushi Reminder!!! Don't forget about our yummy sushi available on a Friday for lunch. Order by 9.00 am on a Thursday. See our website or ask at the office for a menu.

LAST ORDERS - Be in quick!
The Tuatara 6 Pack Beer Fundraiser is back!

- Go to the Summerfest page on the school website: www.worserbay.school.nz/summerfest2012 to check out the details and place your order.
- E-mail orders will be accepted until Sunday 20 November.

Yummy Stickers

We are pleased to let you know that our children collected 1479 Yummy Stickers this year and these were converted into \$118 worth of sports gear for the school. Thank you to everyone who took part.

We have now started collecting for next year. Yummy stickers can be found on apples and the cut-out labels on bags of apples. (The cut-outs will only be on the bag for the official promotion time - Terms 2 and 3, however, if there is no cut-out you can collect the barcode.)

To make it easier for us, please place the stickers on the official Sticker Sheet rather than on scraps of paper. Sticker Sheets are available at the office or you can download them at http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/flash_pdfs/Sticker_Collection_Sheet.pdf and the Cut-out label Sheet at http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/flash_pdfs/Cut_Out_Label_Collection_Sheet.pdf.

You can bring the sheets to school at any time and they'll be sent to the Yummy Fruit Company near the end of Term 3, 2012.

Brainteasers for this week:

If you're a bit older try this....

I have streets but no pavement,
 I have cities but no buildings,
 I have forests but no trees,
 I have rivers yet no water.
 What am I?

Easier riddle (for younger students)....

What Am I?

I am hot.
 I live in the sky.
 I am bright.
 Don't look straight at me.
 I disappear in the night.

Please return your answers to the school office by Thursday 24th November.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Seatoun Kindergarten Wheelathon is happening this Sunday 20 November, from 10 am to 1pm, at 14 Gore Street, Seatoun. There will be delicious food, coffee, cakes, craft, bouncy castle, children's games and raffles. Something for everyone!!! We look forward to seeing you there.

Evolving Consciousness

Sunday 20th November, Waitangi Park 11am -5 pm
 A mash up for music, art and free workshops.
 Creative recycling (for kids), conscious living, meditation, creative gardening (for kids), etc.

Optimist available for Summer...

We have a Optimist stored at the Worser Bay Boat Club - we no longer have any use for it and would like to offer the use of it to someone else over the summer. Storage fees are \$130 and we would go half, so the cost to you would be \$75. If your child wanted to join the club it is a further \$90.

Please phone Sheryl if interested 3808899 or 0272715609.

Homestay hosts wanted! Are you a good host? We will pay you to look after our international students!

English Teaching College, Wellington is seeking homestay host families for a group of Japanese students arriving 15-29 January 2012.

Are you interested in other cultures? Do you want to spend time hosting students, showing students around and involve them in your daily life for a short period of time?

If you live within 10km of the CBD, we would like to hear from you. For more information contact: linda_a_lum@hotmail.com or 021 386 422.

Māhutonga Sailing Reply Slip - Years 5 & 6 only

(Please return by Monday 28th November.)

My child has permission to attend the sailing lessons as below:

Year 5: Monday 5th December in the afternoon

Year 6: Friday 9th December in the morning

Please note these lessons are FREE!

Parent's Signature:

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