

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 3, Week 5, Friday 2 September 2011

Eastern Zone Swimming Sports

Thank you to all those who were able to make it to Eastern Zone Swimming on Thursday, it was a great day! All of our swimmers gave it their best and it was so fantastic to hear the support for those who were racing. Well done to Kirstie, Ella W, Emma, Kate M, Brynn, and John who are all through to Inter Zones!



The Year 5 Girls relay team after their great race where they came third!



Our wonderful swimming team after the day's events.

ACTION AT A GLANCE

- **Matariki and Māhutonga Only**
Please bring along a \$5 donation for our performers by **Tuesday 6th September** (see page 3).
- **Home and School Raffle**
It's not too late to enter the next 3 raffle draws (see page 4).
- **'White Lights' Disco**
Please return your reply slip and payment by **Tuesday 13th September** (see page 4).
- The Fair Committee are now collecting **Clothes** for the School Fair (see page 4).

Tēnā koutou e te whanau o te Whetukairangi

Kia ora koutou

A recent professional learning meeting about reading got me thinking about my own reading history. I'm sure many of you, like me, can remember finally finding an author, subject or genre that really kick started that passion for reading. Once I found my niche there was no stopping me, and funnily enough, I still love reading today (when time permits).

Reading is a life skill, one that some of us pick up quickly and others can struggle with. What's really important is being exposed to a variety of different subject areas, authors and genres so that we can build our reading mileage and make informed choices about what we choose to read.

At school we put a lot of focus into reading strategies and comprehension so that children have the ability to read. However children still need that essential reading mileage so that they can continue to progress their skills and passion for reading. If students spend 70 percent of their time outside of school, some of that reading mileage needs to take place at home.

For some of us, that battle is already won and our kids are away and racing, for others it can be a bit harder. All we can do is persevere, and continue to expose our children to a wide and extensive range of reading material, trying to ignite that passion for reading.

Remember, too, that if you are unsure or would like to know more, the teachers are always happy to have a chat.

Kia pai to wiki mutunga
(Have a good weekend)

Hamish



The lucky winners of the first Home and School Raffle draw

"You can teach a student a lesson for a day; but if you can teach them to learn by creating curiosity, they will continue the learning process as long as they live." ~ Clay P. Bedford



Have a look at the miniature whare in the Staffroom window. It was designed and handcrafted by Caitlin and her Dad, Peter, using wood collected from Worsley Bay and Scorching Bay beaches.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

Our Principal's Awards for this week are for:

* Being able to explain your maths strategy to others.

Tautoru-iti and Tautoru

Sam, Emma M, Sophia and Jack M

Autahi

Sadie, Gretel, Eloise, Hunter and Wilbur

Māhutonga and Matariki

Martha, Matt, Leony, Harriette, Ruby and Nero

Next week's focus is:

* Showing a positive attitude towards others in the playground.

TAUTORU-ITI, TAUTORU & AUTAHI News

Oh, how great it is to be able to get outside and start enjoying some of the spring sunshine! In the afternoons in Tautoru and Tautoru-iti we have been exploring and developing our jumping and landing, balance and rotation skills through creative play. Some of us have been exploring the jungle, putting on our explorer hats to go in search of Tarzan. Where is he? How will we find him? We need to use our balance to walk across fallen logs, use our jumping and landing to spring across swamps and leap over fierce crocodiles. Watch Out! In pairs we practised our problem solving to work out how to get across the swamp using 3 'logs' (mats) to help us. It was great fun thinking about how to make it work. We have also started our Inquiry into different types of houses and created some interesting questions about them.



Balancing carefully across the fallen logs



Leaping across the slimy swamp - watch out!



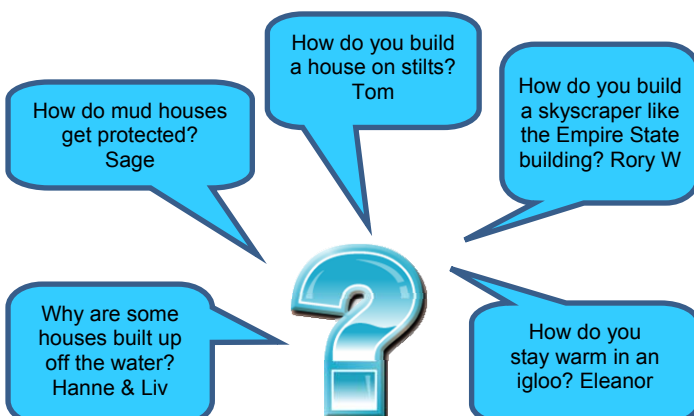
Using our problem solving to get across the swamp



Next week we will be doing information gathering, reading lots of different books and using our new skill of 'interviewing the pictures for information' to find out the answers to three key questions:

- ◆ Why do they choose to use this particular material to build their house?
- ◆ What is special and different about these houses?
- ◆ How do these buildings work as homes? (To give warmth, shelter, safety, comfort.)

Autahi are deep into questioning mode in their Structure Inquiry, although they have started in the past, focusing on the pa and what Worsley Bay looked like in the past. They have thought about what they would build to defend their pa and tried designing their own.



A note from MĀHUTONGA and MATARIKI

HAPPY SPRING

Thanks to all parents and caregivers for participating so willingly in the homework. It has been really interesting to find out what books and authors have inspired you and made their mark. It has been a rich experience and one that has made a real impression on the students. Discussion of books in this way helps to create the literary culture that we are seeking.

To wrap up our Mini Inquiry 'The Power of the Word', it has been fantastic to see our students working confidently in co-operative groups. This in itself presents great learning - they benefit from each other when they pool their resources. It has also presented challenges which have generated great learning / teaching opportunities. The biggest challenge for kids, perhaps for people, is also the most valued skill of people in the work place, working alongside each other, contributing for the greater good! Our kids are getting a lot of practice at this.

In the limited time available, students explored the purpose, history and cultural impact of various text types including poetry, film scripts, letters, newspapers and comics. The ideas and information unearthed was fantastic. Many of the presentation ideas were quite stunning; it is great to see our students inspired!

Let me tell you about how comics are made...



The purpose for comics is...



HOMEWORK

We are having a poster competition for the Library. We are keen to brighten the environment in our Library so we want to encourage ownership and enthusiasm. This will be next week's homework task. The poster will be designed in the visual diary and then we will provide A3 paper to publish. Please ask your child if they need a new visual diary as there are some children who are without one.

Criteria for Poster Competition

Your poster will have these features:

- Title and author of the book.
- A main character of the book.
- **Quotes** from the character which will tell the reader about the character (**illuminate** character).
- Use 3 colours, a border, layers of text and images.

We will be sending the homework sheet out on Monday.

Jude walks independently to the sausage stand, she is by herself and proud of it.

"I would like one sausage with mustard and onions please" said Jude.

"Coming right up" said the sausage cook.

Jude waits PATIENTLY, her chocolate brown eyes watch the cook make the sausage.

"Here you go" said the sausage cook.

Jude walks to the seats. "Mmmmmm that's one good sausage" said Jude.

Jude eats the sausage very ladylike, her hands move closer and closer to her mouth with the sausage grappled between her sauce covered fingers.


Jude wipes her face. "That was one good sausage" by Jack S

School fair

THE INFORMATION TIMES COMMUNICATING TODAY

THE MORE YOU KNOW THE FURTHER YOU GO

Gutenberg's printing press



Gutenberg used metal movable type in his press. He put ink on the type pieces and lined them up on a flat surface. A sheet of paper was placed over the type. Then a heavy board pressed the paper down onto the type. This press was invented around 1440.

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THE PURPOSE:
The purpose for newspapers is to inform people about news.

ADVANCES IN PRINTING

In the 1800s, changes were made to the printing press. In 1812, Friedrich Koenig used a steam engine to make his printing press run faster. In 1865, William Bullock invented a press that used long rolls of paper. Bullock's press could print 12,000 newspapers in one hour.

Made by Sebastian and Josef.


TODAYS SUBJECT IS NEWSPAPERS




People have been printing for thousands of years. In ancient china, Japan, and Korea, people carved words and pictures on wood blocks. Dyes were put on the blocks. Then, the wood blocks were pressed against paper to make an image.

Around the year 1050, movable type was invented by Pi Sheng, a printer in china. This first movable type used single letters that was carved in separate clay tablets, or blocks.


In 1884 Ottmar Mergenthaler invented the linotype machine. Typesetters could now set type quickly using a key board. Ottmar Mergenthaler was a German immigrant who lived in Baltimore.



These are some of the clay blocks that Pi Sheng invented



these are some clay Tablets. also invented by Pi Sheng



By the 1950s, metal movable type was replaced by phototypesetting. Phototypesetting uses a light to print images and letters on special paper. The paper is then used in the process of making printing plates. The plates are

From the HOME AND SCHOOL

Congratulations to our first raffle winner, Angela Paul, who won a lovely full fresh fruit and vegetable hamper. It's not too late to join in for the remaining three raffles. If you wish to buy your ticket, it will be \$7.50 for 3 weeks and your money can be either left at the school office or paid into the Worser Bay Home and School account **06 0513 0304691 00** (Ref: Raffle)

School Disco Helpers

If any parents and their children would like to help with the disco preparations, please contact Angela Paul on 388-8305 or prstar@xtra.co.nz.

We would really appreciate supper donations, which we can sell on the night. These would need to be delivered to school or the Salvation Army Hall on Friday 16 September.

Republic of Miramar Fair Sunday, 6th November 2011

Spring is in the air! When you have your spring clear out, pack up any items that may be suitable for the Fair. We are collecting Clothes*, Toys, Books, White Elephant items.

Collection Days

- * Sunday 11th September, 10 - 12 noon
- * Sunday 25th September, 10 - 12 noon
- * Sunday 30th October, 10 - 12 noon

We will also have a pickup service on Sunday 30th October for the larger items that need collecting, however people must ring prior to arrange a time. Contact Olive on 388 7020 or Tracey on 971 2732.

*Clothes may be brought to school from now on and left in the staffroom. Please bag them up and label clearly.

Have you got storage space? Preferably near school and preferably with vehicle access (but not absolutely necessary!). Half a garage would be great! Can you help? Please contact Olive Mulcahy on 388 7020.

Still not sure how you can help? Contact Nicola Lancaster on 380 9339 or come along to the next Fair Meeting on **Thursday 8th September at 7.30pm in the staffroom.**

Have a safe, sunny weekend.

Eleni Moore
Chair of Home and School
moore@vodafone.net.nz or 388 8137

SPORT

Year 4/5 Netball

The Year 4/5 Netball team played a great game on Saturday against Miramar Christian School. Player of the Day was Ruby C for great play in two positions. This Saturday's game is against Newtown Keas at 1 pm on Court 3. Please be at the Practice Court at 12.30 pm for a warm up.

Year 5/6 Netball

With only three games left to play, we're nearing the end of this year's netball season. Last week we lost to a strong team, but Tiana was awarded Player of the Day for giving her all to the game and playing well at Centre. This week we play Island Bay on Court 4 at noon.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Recycle Baby

Baby and Toddler Second Hand Sale

Clothes - toys - nursery equipment - accessories
Saturday, 3 September, 11am - 1pm
St. Patrick's Parish Hall
17 Rongotai Road, Kilbirnie
Gold coin donation entry.
Raffle and kids entertainment.
Refreshments.

Worser Bay School 'White Lights' Disco



Friday 16th September, 6 - 8pm

Salvation Army Hall, Miramar

Dress in white and 'glow' at the last School Disco of the year! Tickets are \$5 per child (adults free). Get in quick - it's only two Fridays away!

To purchase tickets, please return the slip below to the school office by **Tuesday 13th September.**

Sorry, this event is just for Worser Bay School families.

Reply Slip - Worser Bay School Disco

Child's Name _____

Tautoru / Autahi / Māhutonga (**please circle**)

would like _____ Disco Tickets at **\$5 each.**

I have enclosed \$_____ Cash / Cheque

I have paid \$_____ by Internet Banking

to the Home and School Committee Account

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(Reference: **Disco** and **Family Name**)

Please return by **Tuesday 13th September.**