

# WORSER BAY SCHOOL NEWS

**Kau mau te wehi! (Grasp the Magic!)**

**Week 6/10 - Friday 27 August 2010**



*The 'Rising Fives Club' gets off to a good start!*



*Costume Making for 'Ebb and Flow' - see Page 5*



## Tēnā koutou e te whanau o te Whetukairangi

Kia ora koutou

We know how important the transition to school is.

When we have a good understanding of a child's strengths and needs we can match learning experiences from the day they start with us. If there is a strong partnership between the school, the class teachers, the child, their parents and wider family, learning can be enhanced. We build this relationship in a number of ways. Our brand new 'Worser Bay Rising Fives Club' is a new initiative that kicked off last Friday. The aim of this club is to provide an opportunity for children and parents to explore the school environment, be introduced and become familiar with the learning opportunities we provide at our unique school before they start. It was a great Friday afternoon and the parents who attended went home feeling a lot more comfortable about who we are and what we are about and are keen to come back for more! If you know anyone with a child turning 5 in the next year let them know about it, it's a fabulous way to end the week!

If you haven't checked out the new French patisserie within the boundaries of our local community and you feel like a treat this weekend - it's well worth the effort!

Noho ora mai ra!

*Jude*

Jude

## ACTION AT A GLANCE

- **'Ebb and Flow' (15th & 16th September) tickets available from School Office from next Monday, 30th August** - Please order using slip on Page 5.
- **Costume Making Help for 'Ebb and Flow' Needed on Tuesday 31st August** - see Rachel or Suzanne if you can help - or feel free to just turn up.
- **Costumes required to be at school by Friday 3rd September** - see Page 5 for requirements.
- **Working Bee for 'Ebb and Flow' - 10am Saturday 11th September** - see Page 2.
- **Videographer wanted for 'Ebb and Flow'** - see Hamish if you think you can help.
- **Sushi Lunch Orders** - Remember your Sushi Lunch Order needs to be in by 9.00am 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 last week were for:

\* Thinking about what I am learning and why I am learning it.

**Tautoru**

Emma and Jack M

**Autahi**

Ian and Caitlin

**Māhutonga**

Thomas and James

\* Taking action when parts of my learning are not quite right (for example - moving to a quiet spot if I need to concentrate).

**Tautoru**

Arthur

**Autahi**

Henry and Lauren

**Māhutonga**

Ella and Emily

The foci for next week will be:

\* Thinking independently so that we are ready for learning.

\* Coping with difficult situations by making good choices.

**Arts Celebration Working Bee -**

**10am Saturday 11th September :**

We need helpers to set-up seating rostra, black out windows, rig lights and generally organize things set and seating wise. So if you are good with a crescent, gaffer tape, standing on ladders, lifting and carrying, skip the gym and come along and give us a hand...

**A warm welcome to:** Kira, who started recently, and whose family is new to the school. We look forward to helping guide your development and learning.



*The students enjoying the Pals' games!*

**From the HOME AND SCHOOL****"Stop Press! Space wanted!"**

Yes, we desperately need storage (preferably close to school). Do you have garage space, a work 'lock-up', a contact in the container business or storage business? We need space to store the treasures we get donated to sell at the fair. Can you help? Phone Nicola 380 9339 (or email [nic.lancaster@clear.net.nz](mailto:nic.lancaster@clear.net.nz))

**Our next Fair Committee Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 7pm in the staff room.**

If you can't come along to a meeting maybe you ...

**Could you be our Handy Andy/Jane?** We have signs to repair and re-paint and we would dearly love to have a plate smashing stall but need someone to make us a "safe enclosure". Would you be up for the challenge? Phone Nicola 380 9339 (or email below).

**Are you a keen Chef/ Foodie?** We would love some people to be able to help with some food stall ideas. Please get in touch if you are able to help: Phone Nicola 380 9339 (or email below).

**Can you dally for the Deli?** The Deli is starting production now and we'd love to hear from you if you have a lemon tree and can donate lemons, or if you could donate ingredients that we use a lot of (e.g. sugar), **or clean glass jam jars**. We really need people to help us make all of our goodies so if you are interested in giving it a go, or can donate some ingredients please let Steph Calder know – 388 7379 or 021 237 5313.

**Opportunity Knocks!?** **Do you love 'opp' shopping? Are you a 'Trade Me' fan?** How would you like to put those skills and knowledge towards a good cause; we are looking for someone to lead the Bric-a-brac / White Elephant stall and collection. For more information please phone Nicola 380 9339 (or email below).

**The Clothes Boutique is ready to accept Good**

**Quality, Clean Clothes** Children's 'labels' such as Next, Pumpkin Patch, Country Road, Esprit are very popular but all clothes which are in re-saleable condition are accepted (adult's and children's). Please bag your donations up and leave them in the box in the staff room. Any enquiries, please phone Jolie on 388 4503.

**Fair Silent Auction and Raffle** We have had a fantastic response so far from parents with contacts and ideas, plus local and national businesses we have contacted. It isn't too late so if you have contacts you are happy to approach or a business of your own that is happy to donate a service please get in contact. If you donate goods or services, your involvement will be acknowledged on the promotional flyer distributed to thousands of homes in the Miramar Peninsula. Please contact Stephanie Wilson on 388 8285 or [asewilson@clear.net.nz](mailto:asewilson@clear.net.nz).

We look forward to your support!

**From "Around the World" we bring you our fantastic Worsler Bay School Fair - Sunday 7 November! Put it in your diary and watch this space.**

**Arts Celebration comin' up!**

Nicola Lancaster, Chair of the Home and School  
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## A note from MĀHUTONGA

It is hard to believe another term has almost passed us by! Our Māhutonga students have been working hard in their learning both in subject areas and in their Key Competencies. One of the ways our students strengthen their key competencies is through the responsibilities they take on. We have children being bankers, librarians, school patrollers, and PALs to name a few! Most of these roles you should recognise, but we thought our PALs might need a bit of explaining. PALs stands for Physical Activity Leaders and they are a group of Year 4 and 5 students who do a lot of activities around the school. We'll be training up some more students soon so keep an eye and ear out about it!

Here's a word from our PALs to let you know what they do.

*Hi, we are the PALs!*

*As PALs we organise classes to play games such as Fishy Swim, Dodge Ball and Fruit Salad every sunny Thursday. We try our hardest to make it as fun as possible for every one that plays. We also look out for Perfect PAL participants and they get awarded every assembly. To be a 'Perfect PAL Participant' you need to follow instructions, listen, be enthusiastic, play fairly, co-operate, have **fun** and enjoy our games!*

*On Wednesdays we set up the cones that you will see on bottom court because we do not want the kids to get hurt and so we can share the court with others.*

*We also come around the classes after lunch checking the PE gear boxes to check if anything is missing so that people still have gear to play with and to make sure we are respecting our belongings.*

*From all the PALs*



*The Pals in Action!*

## A note from TAUTORU

It was fantastic to see our first 'Rising Fives Club' take off last week. We had a big turn out and it was awesome to see Tautoru students and kids from other areas being super-ambassadors representing the school.

If you know of any kids that are coming up to five years old please find out about our 'Rising Fives Club' as we would love to welcome them to Worser Bay School.

While our 'Rising Fives Club' is happening from 2pm Friday, it's business as usual for all our students, with an opportunity to select independent activities that are centered around their interests. Students will also have a chance to develop and build on their visual art knowledge as we will build our props, costumes and other wonderful art delights for the celebration. We are hoping it will be an extravaganza of texture, light and colour.

Feel free to come in and be creative with us on a Friday afternoon. If you have time to help out with sewing, painting and other odd jobs please let us know.

*Photos: We made kowhaiwhai patterns. First we read some myths and legends. We put the patterns on the paper. We all traced around the patterns then we cut them out. We rubbed the patterns. We screen printed them too.*



## from Autahi

In Autahi we have exploring ideas and working towards our forthcoming Celebration. We have been writing poems, exploring elements of dance and music, creating artworks and deciding that blue and green nail polish is okay for both boys and girls.



In Rachel's maths groups we are beginning to learn about multiplication. In preparation for this we are grouping numbers for instance "skip counting" in twos, fives etc. Here we were using beads to help visualise this.



Brenna: *There were coloured beads in fives, five green and five white so I had to count in fives. I was learning to count in fives to do five times.*

Louise: *I was counting the beads in fives. I was learning to skip count in fives which helps you learn your five times table.*

## Sport

### Netball

Years 5/6 - Aimee and Samantha were joint Player of the Day. Unfortunately the girls lost to the Newtown Orcas 10-0, but from all accounts played well.

The Year 4 netball player of the day for last week (August 21st) was Katie Dickson for trying new techniques and smart positioning on court.

### Miniball

A great game today - Stags vs Sharks - a narrow win to Stags 20-18.

Player of day for the Stags was Ben for great defense and shots!

Player of the day for the Sharks was Aidan for great ball skills on court.

Wild bulls were defaulted to by Seatoun.

We did have a practice game and Wil played really well getting his first layup! Thanks to Thomas W for playing with Seatoun as a fill-in so we could have a run!

Our teams show good spirit and improving teamwork !!

### Eastern Zone Football

Finally, Eastern Zone Football was held under a brilliant blue sky. The Worser Bay teams headed down to Miramar Park to enjoy a day of football frenzy. It was muddy, it was sunny, game on!

All the teams can hold their heads up high, they showed sportmanship and tenacity as their up to 9 games in a day had successes and challenges. In other words we won some, lost some but all in all a great day was had.

Thank you to Julia, Tony, Rob and Tracey for coming down and helping out with the teams, without them the day wouldn't have been the success it was!

**H1N1 flu virus situation:** MOH is reminding everyone to repeat last year's intensive prevention measures:

- practise good hygiene – wash and dry your hands regularly, and cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing
- stay home if you are sick - please do not send your child to school if he/she seems unwell in the morning
- phone your doctor or Health Line for advice

**And a warning!** Check for nits and treat them promptly as they are out and about again!

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Zumba in the afternoon?

Fancy some Latin dance based exercise while the kids are at school?

Colombian Zumba fitness instructor, Anayiba Lobo, offers classes in Miramar on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays at 5:30-6:30pm. She is keen to run a class between 1 and 2pm but doesn't yet have enough regulars to make this worthwhile. If you are interested, contact Jenny McDougall 380 8665. Any enquiries call Ana on 027 5727321

How much fun would it be to have sleepover party for a whole week?! **YMCA school holiday camps at Camp Kaitoke** are a massive sleepover with fun activities for 8 to 15 year-olds. Don't miss out - register now for Horse Camp, Apprentice Camp, or Y-camp in the next school holidays. Our easy start and finish times are work-friendly, and WINZ subsidies may be available to your family. For more information, contact Emily on 04 526 7338 or [google](http://www.google.com) "YMCA Camp Kaitoke".

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# ‘EBB AND FLOW’

## A Celebration of Music and Dance at Worser Bay School

15th and 16th September 2010

### Costume Making

A huge thanks to all of you who volunteered time, skills and ideas to help with creating costumes during our Arts Celebration workshop. We really appreciate your input and expertise. It will be a colourful and floaty affair. Personally, I think it was worth coming just to taste Fleur's fabulous cheesecake muffins! Criminally delicious!

We would love some more help making costumes **Tuesday 31 August between 3pm and 6pm in Autahi**. Please let Rachel or Suzanne know if you know you can help – or feel free to just turn up.

In the meantime, please bring any embellishments, ribbons, coloured pantyhose or anything you think might be useful.

Thanks, Rachel.



### Costume Information for Ebb and Flow

For our Art Celebration, Ebb and Flow, we are asking all students to bring these base costumes to school in a named plastic bag please. Could these please be at school by next Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. If you have any questions please see your child's home group teacher. Thank you, we appreciate your support.

#### Tauru:

**Butterflies** - Black t-shirt, black tights or pants

**The Calm Sky** - Light blue or grey t-shirt, light blue long pants

**Bird People** - Black t-shirt, black pants or tights

**Storm** - Long sleeved dark tops, dark pants

#### Autahi:

**The Calm Sea** - White t-shirt (trousers provided)

**The Stormy Sea** - Blue t-shirt (WBS t-shirts are fine), dark pants/tights

#### Māhutonga:

**Volcano Group** - Dark black/blue tights or pants, red/yellow or orange t-shirt

**Nature** - Dark blue or black (pref. long sleeved) top, dark ¾ -long pants/tights

**Broom and Construction Group** - White singlet or t-shirt, dark pants/tights

**Business Group** - One of dad's or mum's shirts (pref. light coloured), an old tie, dark pants/tights

**Umbrella Group** - Worser Bay T-shirt, dark pants/tights, gumboots

### WANTED!!

A steady hand and  
technical expertise!

We are currently on the look out for the next Worser Bay top videographer. We need someone to film, edit, and produce a DVD of our Art Extravaganza, 'Ebb and Flow'.

Please see Hamish if you think this is you, or if you can help out in this department in any way.

Thank you.

### Ticket Order for Worser Bay School Arts' Celebration

Please tick performance required, enter number of tickets required and enclose with the relevant payment in an envelope.

**Matinee - Wednesday 15th September 2.00 pm**

**Evening - Wednesday 15th September 6.30 pm**

**Evening - Thursday 16th September 6.30 pm**

..... Tickets @ \$5.00 each = \$.....      ..... Children's tickets (under 12 (free))