

# WORSER BAY SCHOOL NEWS



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

**Week 2/10 - Friday 30 July 2010**



*Above - Walking to the beat!*

*Below - Scott working with Tautoru and their sea creatures.*



## **WORSER BAY SCHOOL ENROLMENT SCHEME**

Enrolment at the school is governed by an Enrolment Scheme, details of which are available from the school office. The enrolment of out of zone pupils is governed by the provision of the Education Act 1989.

The Board has the opportunity to approve up to twenty places across the school for out of zone students for the remainder of 2010 and for 2011.

For students seeking enrolment within this period, who are out of zone, applications are due by 3.00 pm on Friday 13 August 2010. An application form can be downloaded from the website or call: Carolyn Anderson, the Office Manager, on 939 7281, or email [sitemail@worserbay.school.nz](mailto:sitemail@worserbay.school.nz).

If the number of out of zone applicants exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot. If a ballot for out of zone places is required, it will be held on Monday 16 August 2010. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three days of the ballot being held.

## **Tēnā koutou e te whanau o te Whetukairangi**

What a full on active week of swimming sports and now an opportunity for the children (and yourselves) to boogie on down at the disco this evening!

Without our community support we couldn't provide many of the rich experiences across the curriculum. If we take just a tiny slice of school life and look at the last few weeks - there has been the bread making, swimming, support in the classroom, coaching and managing of a very healthy number of sports teams, fundraising meetings, Home and School meetings, offers to mend the patrol flags!, parent tutors providing extra support ... families keeping an eye on the school over the holidays, food drop offs!, offers of help for the Arts Celebration later this term, feedback, the 'quiet' contributions and support that happens every single day... .. THANK YOU.

We don't want our strategic goal 'an engaged community' to passively sit on a piece of paper. We need to be constantly thinking of meaningful ways for the community and school to work together in doing the very best we can for the children.

Hope to see many of you shimmying on the dance floor later!

Te kanikani me nga whetu - dancing with the stars!

Noho ora mai ra.

*Jude*

## **ACTION AT A GLANCE**

- Please return your **Eastern Zones Swimming** reply slip by **Wednesday 4 August**.
- **Arts Celebration** - help needed (see page 2)
- **Tickets are now available for the Worser Bay School Quiz Afternoon/Evening - Saturday 7th August** - see Home and School section.
- **Tell your friends and neighbours** that enrolments are open for out of zone pupils (see adjacent item).
- Please pay your **Voluntary Donation**, if you haven't 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.

### Staff News

Matt will be leaving to take up a position at Houghton Valley School at the beginning of Term 4. We wish him all the very best as he takes the 3 years of learning and experience at WBS into a new teaching situation and community. We will be working on our Māhutonga arrangements for Term 4 and will update you when we have them finalised.

## From the HOME AND SCHOOL

See you at the .....

### Worser Bay School Quiz

**"8 more sleeps until the Worser Bay School Quiz!" Come and join us for 2 hours of brain-teasing fun on a wet cold winter afternoon!**

From 3.30pm - 5.30pm at The Strathmore Local Cafe and Bar, Strathmore. Tickets are \$15 per person or \$150 per team of 10. For more information see the flyer sent out with the newsletter and on the website.

Register your interest now by emailing Vanessa at [nesspete1998@gmail.com](mailto:nesspete1998@gmail.com)

### Struggling to get a baby sitter?

Why not bring the children along? We will provide some activities and games to keep the children entertained.

\* Please note that children are able to stay for the Quiz but not the screening of the test match at 7.30pm.

### From "Around the World" we bring you our Fantastic Worser Bay School Fair - Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November! We do still have a bit to do.....

So come along to our next Fair meeting, **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> August 7pm**, in the staff room. We appreciate all parent support no matter what it is, or big or small – it all helps.

### Opportunity Knocks!? Do you love 'op' 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).

### Fair Silent Auction and Raffle

We are on the hunt for great prizes for the silent auction and raffle for the annual school fair. Do you own your own business or have great contacts that could be approached? In particular, restaurants, cafes, accommodation, i.e. hotels or holiday homes, the arts or sports industries. If you do, we would love to hear from you. The silent auction has great potential to generate lots of interest and therefore money for the school, to benefit your child(ren) at Worser Bay School. If you donate goods or services, your involvement will be acknowledged on the promotional flyer distributed to thousands of homes in the Miramar Peninsular. Please contact Stephanie Wilson on 388 8285 or [asewilson@clear.net.nz](mailto:asewilson@clear.net.nz). We look forward to your support!

See you tonight for a boogie!

Nicola Lancaster  
Chair of the Home and School  
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### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

The Principal's Awards for this week are for:

- \* Showing focus and determination when completing tasks.
- \* Working responsibly and independently.

#### Tauroru

Focus and Determination: Anna and Burton  
Working responsibly and independently: Fern

#### Autahi

Focus and Determination: Ella  
Working responsibly and independently: Ruby

#### Māhutonga

Focus and Determination: Josh T - swimming and Amelia and Zoe - being a librarian  
Working responsibly and Independently: Polly and Brynn

Foci for next week will be:

- \* Finding the brighter side of life
- \* Following Instructions

### An opportunity to see Worser Bay visual art in public!

The Artsplash Visual Art Exhibition will be at the Renouf Foyer at the Michael Fowler Centre - open every day from the 16<sup>th</sup> of August.

Worser Bay School will have a selection of students' work on display there. Tauroru are showing some of their felt sea creatures. Autahi and Māhutonga students worked on group pictures showing contrast and pattern also on the theme of the sea as this work was completed in conjunction with the rocky shore unit. If your child's work is not in the exhibition you will find it displayed in the school foyer.



### SCHOOL ARTS' NEWS

This term we are celebrating the Sky, Earth and Sea in an across-school event. We would love to hear from parents who are able to help in any way in making the production a super success. No contribution is too small!

We need:

- \* Costume makers
- \* Props and set design
- \* Painting and cutting
- \* Muscle
- \* Technical musical knowledge
- \* Working with small groups
- \* Odd jobs
- \* Sourcing resources

Thanks in advance, **THE ARTS TEAM**

## from AUTAHI

In preparation for our celebration at the end of this term we have been exploring music, movement and art. Here are some of the things we have been doing.

We learnt a hailstone song and we got into different groups - one is 'Splish Splash', one was 'Pitter Patter'. One was doing clapping, one was doing the song and one was the wind. We are practising for the production at the end of the term.  
Faith

We were doing the beat and the rhythm and we were singing a poem called 'Hailstones'. It was fun and we got to do 'Pitter Patter' and some did the beat. Rebecca

We listened to music made by a certain person and had a sheet to do tempo, dynamic and volume. We had to get three different colours and three different shapes, for example a wavy line for dynamic and a big triangle for volume. I liked listening to the music. We had to pull a pretend sting and at the end we made up a dance. Ella

We were looking at pitch, dynamic and tempo. We listened to different sounds and recorded the pitch, dynamic and tempo on a piece of paper. Aidan

I liked taking my hand for a walk to the music. Thomas W

We were doing movements and we joined in like a soccer move with something else because we were practising adding something in - like diving or sports. Caitlin

We learnt about a music dump - it has lots of squares you draw and write in about instruments - trumpet, ukulele, guitar and drum. We are thinking about music for the production.

We were making masks and decorating them. I liked getting to decorate a mask because I like art. Ian

Our group was a storm and we had to make up a stormy mask. My one has grey clouds, lightning, black sky and really big waves which are going to be a mixture of black and blue. I liked it because I really liked drawing and designing it. Nico



## A note from TAUTORU



I know that  $6 \times 4$  is six groups of 4 objects.

It equals 24.

One foot has five toes so I can skip count in fives.

Two feet have 10 toes so I can use them to skip count in tens!



The first two weeks of the Term have been great. Everyone has been excited to be back at school and Tauru is very much into the swing of things. We had an enjoyable time at the pool on Thursday and we were all very impressed with the energy and enthusiasm of all of our children.

In Maths we have been learning about multiplication and division. We have been working on equally sharing objects into groups and applying our 2s, 5s, and 10s skip counting knowledge to solving multiplication problems.

It has been wonderful to see parents continuing to work with children at home with their reading and learning spelling words - it really makes a difference.

All the best for the weekend,

Scott, Sophie, Suzanne and Marylyn

## A note from MĀHUTONGA

Another great week in Māhutonga. We had our swimming sports on Tuesday where we floated, stroked, kicked, glided and co-operated our way through EZ trials and swimming celebrations. And, we welcomed back Fleur from the Philippines - she shared some fantastic photos with us.

We are continuing to learn to show and not tell the reader in our writing. Here are some of our practice pieces on the Swimming Sports.

*"Go" echoes in my mind as I plunge into the water. Splashes all around me as I float up to the surface. I kick frantically as I move my arms wildly, water surging around me. I quicken my pace as I see the finish, waiting. Finally I reach my destination. I clutch onto the wall, my goggles filling with steam. Hauling myself out of the water, I sit on the edge, breathing heavily, relieved.*

*Jelly fish invade my lurching stomach. "Take your mark, get set." Splash!! I plunged into the icy cool pool. Next thing I know I'm gliding elegantly through the water, kicking and thrashing, twisting at a tremendous pace. I made it second! "Great!" I said with a sigh of relief.*

*I get kicked off the ground sending me crashing into the water. My feet were cutting through the freezing water. I clutched the ball with my icy hands. The cold was so fierce it was like Everest!*



*The spectators and ...*



*... the participants!!*

### Sport

#### Netball

Netball Draw for this week - 31 July:

Yr 4 team vs Houghton Valley, 1.30pm, Court 3

Yr 5/6 team vs Lyall Bay Surfers, 12.30pm, Court 4

The Yr 4 Netball Player of the Day for last week was Tiana for superb positioning on court and anticipating play.

Yr 5/6 Netball - The girls had a fantastic game - they won 10-1 against the Brooklyn Bullets. Briana was the Player of the Day!

#### Miniball

The Worsler Bay Wizards had a great first outing this term but went down 14-6 against Miramar South despite a late charge led by Caleb who won Player of the Day.

Other Miniball Players of the Day - Nero, Jack, Finnegan.

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

Leony is missing her new watch!

Some time ago 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!!!



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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### The Peninsula Baby Sitting Club

The Peninsula Babysitting Club has been in existence for over 10 years and consists of families from the Miramar Peninsula. We are currently looking for more families to join.

The club operates on a points system so you do not have to pay for a sitter; just be prepared to reciprocate with babysitting yourself. Sitters are fellow parents vetted by us, who will soon become known to you.

If you are interested in joining or you wish to find out more, please contact Stephanie Wilson on 388 8285 or [asewilson@clear.net.nz](mailto:asewilson@clear.net.nz).

### Capital E National Theatre for Children presents END GAME at Downstage Theatre - 31 July, 2pm and 7 August 1pm and 4pm

End Game tells the story of 11 year-old Alex and his mum Rosie. Alex lives for gaming, but when a twist of fate transports him and his mum into the world of his favourite computer game, his skills of the game have to take on whole new levels! Join Alex for this modern day adventure story into a place of mythical creatures and heart stopping challenges, this is an ideal show for ages 8+.

### WYNRS Rongotai - [wynrs.rongotai@gmail.com](mailto:wynrs.rongotai@gmail.com)

Wellington Football and Life Skills Programme for Primary Schools - Our Term 3 After School Programme from 3.45pm to 4.45pm every week day started last Monday. Registrations are still being taken.