



Our focus this term
is being a
problem solver
from our Thinker
Harekeke

30th October 2015

**Empowering children
for their future**

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Week three at an end already!
It is crazy!

School is crazy busy this term, and we appreciate your support getting your children to school as ready for action as you do. The effort you put into getting them to school rested, with good lunches and great attitudes makes a huge difference.

Yesterday I met with Waikato Principals and we heard from a range of educationalists. One of the things we heard was about the projected changes to the way NZQA is going to assess student achievement in the next 5 years. It highlighted the importance of students being aware of their own learning and taking an active responsibility for their achievement. Students who have these skills and dispositions benefit under the NZCA system currently. This will become more so in the future. It emphasised to me the importance of growing student skills and disciplines in terms of our harakeke.

Consider this:

'The fundamental basis of the education system is fatally flawed...

In 1970 the top three skills required by the Fortune 500 were the three Rs: reading, writing and arithmetic.

In 1999 the three top skills in demand were teamwork, problem-solving and Interpersonal skills.

We need schools that are developing those skills' Linda Darling-Hammond

Interestingly the importance of learning outside of school is gathering momentum as well. We know that schooling isn't all of education. Your children continue to learn all of the time, and schools have children 11% of the time. The importance of this learning being quality will increase as technology continues to open the world for us all.

These days are interesting, hard to sit for a day, and lunch is dodgy, but it is a good chance to reflect and consider whether what we are doing is preparing our children to face their futures with skills and confidence. There is so much to do!

Is now a good time to mention we would love to welcome some more faces on the B.O.T. next year?

Thanks to those parents who have responded to the Senior Camp notice. We still need more, and soon we will need to put our deposit down on our accommodation.

Happy birthday to our wonderful mini van driver Marieke who gets up at 5:15 a.m. to ensure she is picking up your children on time every day. Thanks Marieke you are a real star!

Rosemary Hendrikse

It's a lot easier to do good work when you have good words to say and work with good people.
Mark Harmon

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 2-3 Life Education caravan at school.
- 6 Manawaru School Athletics Sports.
- 11 Te Aroha District Athletics Sports at Herries Park, Te Aroha.
- 13 Sausage sizzle at school.
- 16 Board of Trustees Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the school staff room.
- 25 Free mobile ear clinic at St. Joseph's school car park, 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- 27 Sausage sizzle at school.

DECEMBER

- 4 Year 5 - 8 Beach Education at Waihi.
- 7 Board of Trustees Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the school staff room.
- 11 Year 1 - 4 Beach Education at Waihi.
- 11 Sausage sizzle for Year 5 - 8 students.
- 15 Last day of school for 2015.
- 16 Teacher Only Day.

BASKETBALL DRAW FOR WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER

Manawaru Magics v Stanley Lakers 7:15 p.m.

REMINDERS

Stationery, etc. Accounts were sent home last week. Please pay these as soon as possible. Thank you.

School Banking is on Wednesdays. If you would like to commence school banking with the Credit Union, a starter envelope is available from our school office.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jorgi Jenkins who was placed 7th in her age group at the North Island championships for B.M.X. racing.

MINI BASKETBALL COACHING

Who: Years 3 & 4
When: Mondays 3.20 to 4.30 p.m. starting next Monday, 2 November for 4 weeks.
Venue: Stanley Ave Rec Centre
Cost: Free
Contact: Laura Wade 021 133 2535

RELIEF MILKER AVAILABLE

Has been a manager for seven years.
Phone Rob on (027) 392 4725.

LIFE EDUCATION

This year we are part of a new cluster and we have Mike Budd as our new educator. He will be coming in a Generation 3 Truck which will be here on Monday and Tuesday.

There is a cost of \$3.50 per child which needs to be paid to the school office please.

LUNCHBOX RECIPES

BREAD CASES

8 slices wholegrain bread

Fillings – try creamed corn and tomato, or baked beans, ham and cheese

Flatten bread and press into nonstick muffin tins. Bake at 200°C for 5 mins until lightly browned. Add fillings and bake for 10 mins until hot.

Adapted from myfamily.kiwi



Use mini muffin tins for a smaller snack

Developed by Sport Waikato 2015

Morrinsville Dog Walk



Sunday 15th November
10.00am - 1.00pm
Morrinsville Polo Grounds



FREE EVENT

Dog Obedience & Agility Demo
Best Dressed Dog • Best Dog Trick • Spot Prizes
face painting • meet our vets • coffee & food
Dog Walk starts at 10.15am



For further information visit www.anexafvc.co.nz/events

