

Kia ora koutou

First of all a warm welcome back to Carlitos Villanueva-Peri who has returned to us and joins Nga Motu. I hope every day is enjoyable and successful for you. Nau mai haere mai ki te kura o Paihia ano.

A big thank you to those of you who contributed to our collection for the Westpac Chopper Appeal last Friday. This is appreciated. We raised \$80.70.

This week is busy and productive as always. The year 7 and 8 students went to Technology again. Our Year 3 and 4 students had Rippa Rugby training. We were also given several rugby balls and a new set of tags. We are looking forward to the assembly run by Te Maunga on Friday.

Today we had a visit from Tim Tipene who is a children's author. He has nine books published such as 'Taming the Taniwha', 'Rewa Finds His Wings' and 'Hinemoa Te Toa'. Not only is Tim an author he is also part of the Sir Peter Blake Trust Dream Team as an inspirational leader to inspire Kiwi kids to follow their dream. In 2014 he was awarded a Kiwibank Local Hero Medal in recognition of his contribution to the lives of others. It was great to hear him speak to our whole school. He believes there is a warrior in every person. "A true warrior is a person who is willing to face himself or herself, who is willing to take responsibility for mistakes, who is willing to change and willing to stand up for what he or she believes".

Our PTA had another meeting yesterday. I look forward to more parents joining. Our PTA make such a difference to our school - your school. I am very grateful for their support of our children. The next PTA meeting is on Monday 29th May at 10.40am. See you there.

We are also lucky to have other helpers such as Cher Tautari who comes in to serve breakfast every morning. Cher is providing Weetbix with warm milk on cold mornings. Even the smell of hot toast is wafting out of the Wharekai. Having someone to serve breakfast with a smile and song makes a big difference to many of our children. Thank you Cher. Nga mihi nui ki a koe mo ou awhi ki nga tamariki mokopuna o te kura o Paihia.

Ka pai ou wiki koutou katoa. Ka kite.
Have a great week everyone.

Jane Lindsay



Tim Tipene



Dressed up for the Westpac Chopper Appeal

Important Dates and Events

Friday 12th May
Te Maunga assembly 2.30am

Friday 19th May
Te Moana assembly 2.30am

Monday 22nd May
BOT meeting 5.30pm

Friday 26th May
Te Awa assembly 2.30am

Friday 2nd June
Nga Motu assembly 2.30am

Monday 5th June
Queen's Birthday - no school

Wednesday 21st June
Parent Interviews

Tuesday 27th June
Class visits to Waitangi Treaty Grounds and Museum

Thursday 29th June
Whānau Celebration Day

Friday 30th June
Maromaku Sports Day

Friday 7th July
Last day of Term Two

Monday 24th July
First day of Term Three

Check out our class Blogs:
Teachers should be posting every week to keep you up to date with what is happening in the learning environment. Students would love to read your comments.
Te Awa - <http://psnikkis.blogspot.co.nz/>
Nga Motu - <http://psngamotu.blogspot.co.nz/>
Te Moana - <https://pstemoana.blogspot.co.nz/>
Te Maunga - <https://pstemaunga.blogspot.co.nz/>
Te Ngahere - <http://pstengahere.blogspot.co.nz/>

Writing from Te Maunga

Last term, the Board of Trustees gave us \$3,000 for new furniture. The whole of Te Maunga was allowed to choose what furniture would be good and make a difference to our classroom. We all split up in groups, had a booklet of all the furniture we could get, and in the end we would sit on the mat and discuss what furniture we all wanted. We picked five beanbags, six tall chairs, seven wobbly chairs, four floor cushions, six small chairs, one very small table, a very high table and a medium table just like the tall one. It was such a big surprise when we got our furniture. The furniture arrived on the 2nd of May. The furniture is like a boost to our learning. The furniture keeps us comfortable as we work. Our old furniture didn't give us much room in our class so the new furniture is very helpful for that. We love the furniture. We all thank the Board of Trustees and Mike's Woodshop. Here are some photos of our furniture.



By Tia Codlin, Isaiah Marshall, Lucas Bernardes Periera and Liam Ngapeka

Lucky Book Orders

The last day for ordering your Lucky Books is this **Friday 12th May**. Bring your order and money in an envelope to the school office.

PTA SHOUT OUT FOR HELP!

Next Wednesday, 17th May, the PTA will be holding a cake stall in town. We need help with transport & setting up, help on the cake stall, and packing down at the end. We would also appreciate donations of home baking, cakes, cupcakes, biscuits, slices etc. If you have a spare hour or two to help out next Wednesday or are happy to donate some baking towards this PTA fundraiser, please contact Taunaha Smith on 021 1600 168 OR Sarah Townsend on 021 277 2175.

Sports Notices

Junior Netball Team
The junior netball teams will be holding a sausage sizzle and cake stall next **Friday 19th May**. This is a great excuse not to have to make lunch!! They will be selling sausages, juices, soup and bread - all for \$2 - and there will be a variety of cakes and biscuits for sale as well.

Grass Roots Football
We had an awesome day of grass roots football at Bledisloe Domain on Saturday. We definitely have some talented girls and boys. Please thank your parents and whanau for supporting your tamariki. It was great to see local Bay of Islands teams from; Opuia School, Kawakawa School, Paihia School and Oromahoe School. It's not too late to become involved. This week's draw: Kawakawa (home) vs Opuia 1 (away) - day & time to be agreed on Opuia 2 - BYE Paihia vs Oromahoe - Bledisloe Domain Saturday 9.30am Judith Harrison, Paihia Football Club

Community Notices

Skating
Friday night skating: 6pm-8.30pm
Sunday skating: 2pm-4pm during School Term 2.
Baysport Complex, Harmony Lane, Waipapa.
Bring your own skates or hire ours. Entry \$6 Skate hire \$2.
www.northlandstingrays.co.nz

After School Care
The program will be run during the school term from Monday to Friday, 3 - 5.30pm at a cost of \$15 per day. For more information please contact Caele Ata on caeleata77@gmail.com or phone 027 211 1355.
Apologies for error in last week's printed newsletter. Please note correct phone number is as above.

This Friday 12th May

Pizza and ice creams \$1 each

The Dolphin Divas Netball Team are having another fundraiser at lunchtime. Bring along your gold coins and support our Year 7 netball team.

Quote:

*'Have the courage to stand when it is easier to sit.
Have the courage to speak when it is easier to be silent.
Have the courage to go on when it is easier to go back.'*

Tim Tipene