

Kia ora koutou

We warmly welcome to our school Ieshia Mendoza who has turned five years old and joins Te Awa and Molly Webley who has come from Opua and joins Te Ngahere. I hope every day is enjoyable and successful for you both. Nau mai haere mai ki a korua ki te kura o Paihia.

Once again our school is working with our Kaikohekohe Education Network schools to hold an E-Learning Symposium. This year it is being held at Northland College on Wednesday 9th August from 2.30pm - 4.30pm. We have some of our senior students participating. Students from all eight schools in our Network will be showcasing apps and programmes that help them in their learning. They will be teaching other students, teachers, parents and whanau. It is a wonderful experience and very educational for all involved. This is the third E-Learning Symposium we have held and I am confident I will personally once again learn a lot. I encourage those of you who are able to go and have a look, see what our students are doing and also students from other schools. If you would like further information feel free to contact myself or Whaea Chrissy.

Our Board of Trustees met last night. Items of significance that were discussed were our assessment data, our open innovative learning environments Nga Motu and Te Ngahere, and our new entrant numbers.

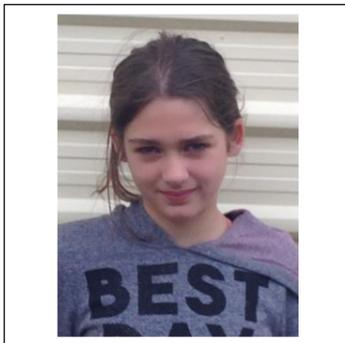
As mentioned in last week's newsletter the student achievement results are promising. There is still a long way to go to reach our target of 85% at or above, plus the National Standards is a measure for the end of the year, but we are getting traction and confident that progress will continue to be made. All students are being catered for not just those who are below. I can assure you our teachers and teacher aides are working hard and doing their best for your children. We are lucky to have such great staff.

I will share information about our open innovative learning environments when I have more information from the parent questionnaire that I sent to parents of children in just those classes.

Our new entrant numbers continue to grow. The Board of Trustees is committed to providing the best learning environment for all of our students. They have agreed to fund and employ another teacher to work with Nikki Simmonds. This will take place as soon as possible subject to a suitable teacher being available. A letter with further information will be sent home to our new entrant parents next week.

As always we are committed to a partnership with our school community. You are always welcome at our school, your school. Together we can make a difference for our tamariki.

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



Welcome to Molly Webley



Welcome to Ieshia Mendoza

Important Dates and Events

Friday 4th August
Te Maunga Assembly 2:30pm

Wednesday 9th August
E-Learning Symposium
Northland College
2:30pm – 4:30pm

Friday 11th August
Nga Motu Assembly 2:30pm

Friday 18th August
Te Ngahere Assembly 2:30pm

Friday 25th August
Te Awa Assembly 2:30pm

Monday 4th – Friday 8th
September
Our Te Reo Maori week

Friday 15th September
Cross Country

Wednesday 20th – Monday 18th
September
Life Education van visiting

Monday 25th – Friday 29th
September
Our Science week

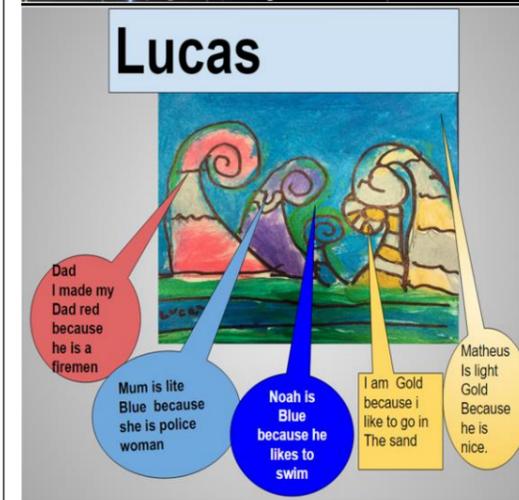
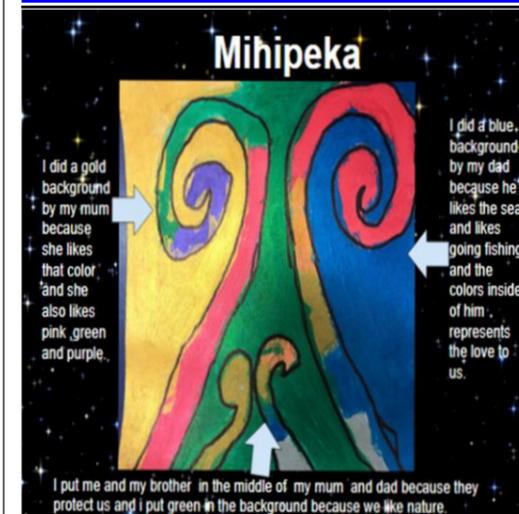
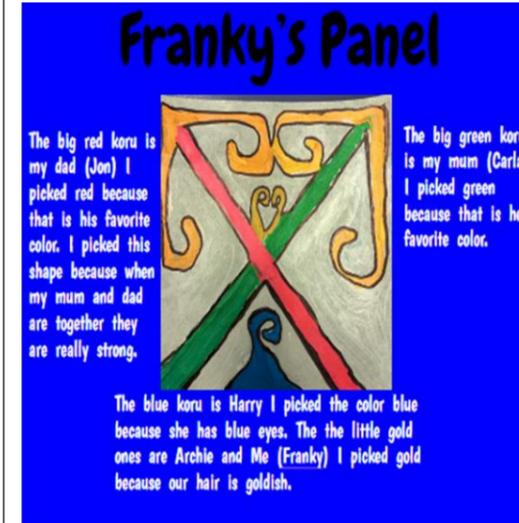
Friday 29th September
Last day of Term Three

Dental Caravan

Dear Parents,
The Dental Van is still at Paihia School.
I have appointments available should you wish to be present for the dental exam and /or treatment of your child, and if you have any questions regarding your child's Oral Health. Please remember that we also see Pre School children for their annual dental check-up. Phone me on 021 430 924 or email: ulrike@hauorawhanui.co.nz

Whanau Celebration

As part of our whanau celebration day -we painted koru panels to decorate our whare. Here are some of our examples and an explanation of what they mean. We can't wait for them to go up!



PTA News

Following on from our Matariki planting day the PTA are putting out a request for either mulch or bark to go around our plants and trees. If you know of any or anyone that can help, please ring; Debbie on 021 024 72319.

Used Clothes

Paihia School would very much appreciate any donation of used clothes, especially track suit pants for boys. Please leave at the office. Many thanks.

Community Notices

Learn to Swim & Swim Development BOI Community Pool (Kawakawa)

Taking enrolments for Term 3, 4 week block
24th July – 18th August
Group classes Monday to Friday afternoons
Private lessons available
Contact Nikki to book
021 406 293 or aquasportz@xtra.co.nz

Girl Guides

Come and try Girl Guiding! We have spaces in our Kerikeri groups, and would love to offer you 3 free visits to give it a go. If you would like your daughter to try a global organization based on development and leadership as well as offering loads of fun and social experiences, get in touch. We have Pippins (5-6yrs old) Brownies (7-9yrs) and Guides (12yrs) Tuesday's 3:30pm – 5:00pm with spaces available. www.girlguidingnz.org.nz or phone 0800484331

Skytower Step up Challenge

I am doing the Skytower Step Up Challenge next Friday 11th August. I have entered with a team (PVFB Blazing Beauties) and we are racing up the Skytower to raise funds and awareness for Leukaemia & Blood Cancer NZ. Every day 6 children and adults in NZ are diagnosed with a blood cancer like leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma. LBC receives no government funding. As a team we have put in a lot of sweat and sore legs to aim to race up the Skytower and fundraise for this worthy charity. We are running a fabulous raffle and are selling tickets for \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Prize consists of Makana Chocolates, Lighting Plus Gift Voucher, Romeyn Woodcrafts Tablemat, Gold n Gifts Cup and 'Blaze of Glory' Plant. Tickets are available from the school office or call Gwen Gilmore on 0210597155. Your support will be greatly appreciated!

Quote:

'Be a pineapple. Stand tall, wear a crown and be sweet on the inside.'