

## Notices

### SCHOOL NOTICES



YourVet (cnr Millbrook Rd and SH1) will ring/dock and vaccinate pet day lambs and goats for free. Ph 09 4320500 for an appointment. We also have a good supply of high quality lamb and calf milk powder, collars and leads etc.

### DISABLED PARKING SPACE

Please do not park in the disabled parking space beside the front gate unless you are entitled to do so. This space is used for our children and it impacts on them if it is unavailable.

### ABSENCES

Thank you to those families who are phoning, texting or emailing the office to let us know their child will be away. Please remember to let us know why your child is absent. If you don't, your child will be marked as truant.

**OLD MOBILE PHONES SAVE LIVES!!** This campaign enables students to play a valuable role in a nationwide fundraising campaign for Starship's National Air Ambulance Service, while also increasing their awareness of environmental issues, community giving and having some fun along the way! The idea is for our school to collect as many mobile phones as we can. We receive some exciting rewards (sports gear, book vouchers, ipads or cameras) depending on the amount of phones we collect. Please drop your old phones off to the school or comment on our fb page so we can arrange to collect them. Please share our post among the community.

### COMMUNITY NOTICES PORTLAND KINDERGARTEN

We have some spaces coming up if you would like to enrol your child or know of any friends that have children that would like to start kindergarten, please encourage them. At present children are starting at two and a half. Feel free to call us 4322533 or visit us at 12 Portland School Rd (we are just behind the

### SPORT NORTHLAND

## PARTY IDEAS

# GLOW STICKS!

Fruit and veg help your body to GLOW! Try these kebab sticks for quick, colourful, delicious party food.

### Fruit Kebabs

Seasonal fruit  
Oranges  
Kiwifruit  
Pineapple  
Banana

### Vege Kebabs

Seasonal veg  
Avocado  
Courgette  
Mushrooms  
Carrot

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31 July - Fun run

5 August - Food for life  
supermarket

13 August - Firewise  
Rooms 1, 2, 9

14 August - Jump Jam  
4 Star Jam;  
School Cross Country

24 August - Book  
Week

27 August -  
Interschool Cross  
Country

28 August - Book  
Week Dress Up

1 - 4 September - Life  
Education

17 September -  
Production



Have you found dub  
dub yet?? If so fill in  
a form at the office  
and pop it in the box.



Congratulations to  
Shyla Wells who  
found dub dub last  
month and won a \$50  
voucher!

TERM DATES 2015

Term 3 - 20 July to 25  
September

Term 4 - 12 October to  
18 December

# RUAKAKA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



30th July 2015

### Dear Parents / Caregivers

Tena koutou katoa,  
Welcome back to term 3. Spring is on it's way.



The Duffy show came to visit on  
Wednesday the children really enjoyed  
the show and all children received 2  
books from Duffy. A huge thank you  
has to go to A1 Homes who generously sponsor this programme for us.



Your big plans made easy  
www.A1homes.co.nz

### Whakatauki (proverb) of the Week

**He waka eke noa**

*A canoe which we are all in with no exception*

*A Balanced Education in a supportive environment*



## FUN RUN REMINDERS

Tomorrow is our Fun Run so just some quick reminders.

- Starting time 11.00am.
- Children need to bring a change of clothes, towel and plastic bag
- **ALL sponsorship forms and money need to be back tomorrow – regardless of whether or not the children have any sponsors** (make sure they have listed their sponsors in the back of their form and chosen their prize if they are eligible).
- Bring some money for a sausage (\$2.00) or a Jesters pie (between \$4.00 -5.00) and the coffee trailer will be here.
- We would love as many of you to come along as possible to join in the fun and help out.

## PRODUCTION

As you know, we will be holding our school production on the 17<sup>th</sup> of September at the Bream Bay College.

All classes are already busy practising and will need some help with costumes and back drops so if you are able to help, please talk to the classroom teacher.

As well as this we are looking for the following things: a supply of cardboard (big sheets), old white sheets, leftover fabrics (shiny, off cuts), sequins, large cardboard boxes

## FOOD IN SCHOOLS

This started again on Tuesday. Thank you to those who made a donation for the whole term – we really appreciate it and it makes it easier for you and us.

## JUMP JAM 4 STAR JAM

Jump Jam 4 Star Jam is a national initiative between the Star Jam Charitable Trust and Jump Jam aerobic programme, designed to support young people with disabilities, while promoting health and wellness within our school communities.

Once again we are going to take place in this event which just means that the whole school takes part in a Jump Jam session which we do as a warm up to our school Cross Country. This will happen on the 14th of August. We ask all children to bring along a gold coin donation which goes to the Star Jam Charitable Trust and the children receive a wrist band in return which they love.

## 100 DAY CELEBRATION - ROOM 1 & 2



Rooms 1 & 2 celebrated being at school for 100 days on Wednesday. They played games, made silly glasses, wrote 'secret letters' and had a shared kai - lots of fun for all involved.

## SCIENCE - CAN YOU CHANGE SOUND?

Cardboard tubes from the centre of foil, plastic wrap etc. (you can still use them even if you haven't finished with them – you might get different effects with tubes that still have the product on them and empty tubes).

Soft materials such as tissues, paper towels, bubblewrap, plastic bags, teatowel – you'll find a lot more around the house.

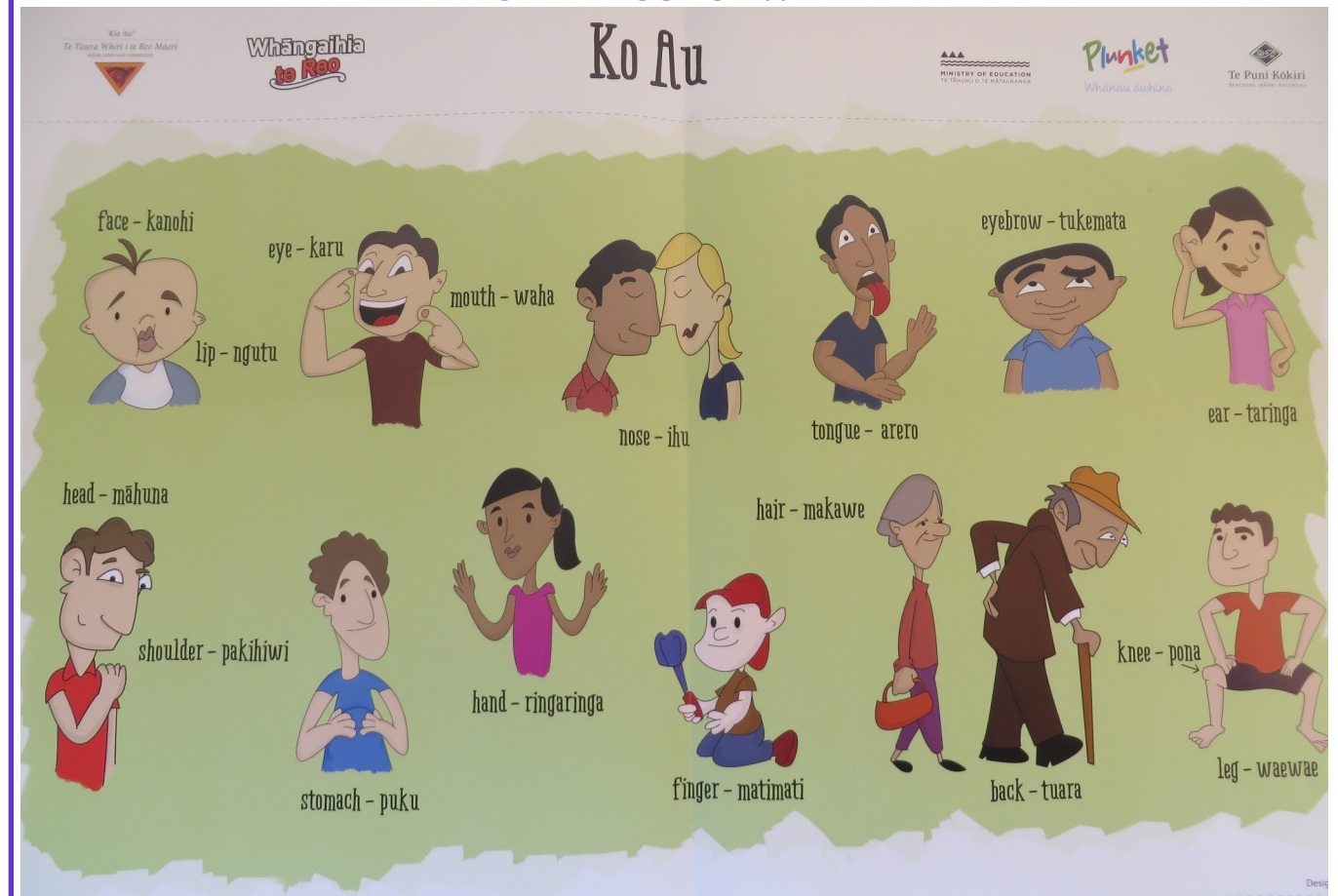
Hold a tube up to your ear and get someone to talk through it (don't shout!). Listen to the TV or some music through the tube. What do you notice?

Now try stuffing different materials into the tube and see what happens. What other materials can you find to use? What if you make the tube shorter?

## USE AN OLD CD TO MAKE A HOVERCRAFT

<http://www.science-sparks.com/2014/01/14/make-a-hovercraft/>

## MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK



This week is Maori language week. The poster above names body parts for you to practice with your children at home.

## PORTFOLIOS / REPORTS

Please return these to school as soon as possible as we need to keep adding to them for the children to bring home again to keep at the end of the year.

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

For the next 2 weeks the senior classes are taking part in a Food in Schools programme which teaches the children to look at what they are eating, to read packaging to see what is in the food they are eating – basically to make healthy choices.