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



Congratulations to Harlan Therkleson who found dub dub last month and won a \$50 voucher!

## SCHOOL NOTICES

**Show day** is on Friday the 14th of October, all animals must be born after the 1st of July. This is the first week back after the holidays, so encourage your child to lead and have fun with their animal over the holidays. Registration forms need to be returned by Friday, 23rd of September. Please return trophies from last year to the office asap. As normal, each classroom will be creating 3 or 4 items to display in the classroom for show day, a list of the items will be sent out at the beginning of term 4.

**Health Notice from Public Health Nurse, Dee Millen** - There appears to be an increase in students away sick with "stomach bugs" (vomiting & diarrhoea) in schools currently. This may be due to the wet and warm weather we have been having. This provides the perfect environment for bugs to grow and spread amongst us. A few points to remember: Please keep your child at home from school for a further 2 days (48hrs) once they are no longer sick. (after the last vomit or episode of diarrhoea) Remember to keep hydrated should you become sick by increasing fluids. Should symptoms persist or become worse please take your child to your Doctor. Washing hands with soap & warm water and drying are essential to prevent further spread of stomach bugs.

## 2016 TERM 3 School Holiday Programme



Where:	One Tree Point School
Times:	8:00am - 5:30pm
When:	Mon 26 Sep to Fri 7 Oct
Costs:	
Full Day:	\$45
Half Day:	\$30 (8-1pm or 12-5pm)
Short Day:	\$35 (8-3pm)
Trip Day:	\$60

To register and more details go to...  
www.skids.co.nz/location/one\_tree\_point

For more information or a chat call...  
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## SPORT NORTHLAND

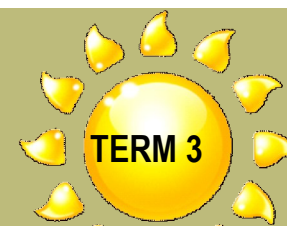
GO, GROW, GLOW!

# SNACK SWAPS

Snacks are mini meals and should come from the four food groups, providing the body with goodness and fuel.

Find us on fb.com/ProjectEnergize

Developed by Sport Waikato 2016



5 to 9 September - Book week

9 September - Book character parade

16 September - Stop work meeting, children leave school at 12.30pm sharp

22 September - Portfolios and Learning Journals home

23 September - End of term 3

## GALA REMINDERS

- ♦ Fill a jar and decorate a jar
- ♦ Plant some plants for the enviro stall
- ♦ Send plastic supermarket bags to school
- ♦ Send grocery items to school for raffle
- ♦ Add your name to the helpers check list
- ♦ Send in white elephant stall items to the container
- ♦ Attend Gala Meeting

## TERM DATES 2016

Term 3 - 25 July to 23 September

Term 4 - 10 October to 15 December

# RUAKAKA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



1st September 2016

Tena koutou katoa

Today is the first day of Spring and we will be glad to see the grounds start to dry out after all the rain and the temperatures start to get warmer. Very soon it will be daylight saving and the evenings will be longer. Hopefully all the ills and chills will start to disappear.

## INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY



What a wonderful day we had at interschool cross country. Our children ran their hearts out and made us all proud. A huge thank you to all the parents who transported. Below are the results.

Individual Placings:

8yr boys	Sikeli Hide	10th	10/11 girls	Annalise Rickey	7th
9yr girls	Brooke Morgan	2nd	10/11 boys	Luke Robinson	3rd
	Zoe Sands	3rd			

Team placings:

2nd place	9yr girls	4th place	8yrs girls
5th place	9yr boys	4th place	10/11yr boys
4th place	10/11yr girls	4th place	8yr boys

## Whakatauki (proverb) of the Week

He waka eke noa

A canoe which we are all in with no exception.

We love to learn together  
Ka aroha tātou ki te e ako tāhi



# GALA DAY

**Saturday 29th October (This day will be counted as a school day, we will be taking a roll on the day so would like as many of the children to attend as possible.)**

Planning for the Gala is going really well. Our next meeting is on next **Monday 5th September at 1.30pm in the staffroom.** We would love to see you there.



**JAR GAME** – Fill a jar with goodies and send it along to school for the Jar Game. You can go onto Pinterest and search “Jars.” Amazing ideas!



**White Elephant stall** – Yes, we have the container! You can't miss it. Please bring along any goods that are in good condition – furniture, appliances (that work), clothes, books, puzzles.....



**Non-perishable grocery items (or pet food for SPCA)** – We have had only a couple of these in so far. Please hand them into the office and your child's name will be ticked on their class list. There is a competition to see which class has had everyone bring in their grocery item first.

We are looking for lots of clean plastic supermarket bags for Gala day. Please drop into the office

**Helpers list** – This is now up in the foyer on the wall outside my office. If everyone gave just an hour of their time, it would mean that everyone could get to spend some of the day having some fun with their children. Please add your names.

## BOOK WEEK

Next week it is book week and there will be lots of ways that you can get involved with your children - we want to saturate them with reading and books! Here are some of the ways you can get involved:

Send along your child's favourite book to share, bring along your own favourite childhood book to read to a group of children. Take part in our dress up parade on Friday, come along dressed as a book character.

The Friday programme is as follows:

9.00am Assembly in costume in Multi-purpose room  
9.30am The parade will take place on the courts  
9.45 - 10.30am Parents \ grandparents are welcome to join the children in the classrooms or Library to read their own favourite childhood book or your child's favourite book  
10.30am Morning tea for those parents \ grandparents who would like to stay  
12.30pm Lunch time - please feel free to bring a picnic lunch to share with your children  
There will be colouring in competitions held during the week in the library at lunch times with the winners being announced on Friday.  
We will have special guest readers throughout the week also.

## SEESAW

Seesaw is a new free app we are using to share your child's learning at school. We are introducing this class by class and you will get notification from your child's teacher when your child's journal has been activated.

Seesaw gives your child a safe space to document their learning and learn how to use technology. Each child gets their own journal and will add work to share what they're doing at school. When your child adds items, you'll be notified. Your child's journal is safe and secure, only your account can see your child's work.

## OLIVE OIL SALES

Once again we are selling Olive Oil. Each child has designed and labelled their own bottle of oil. The cost is \$10 per bottle. Enclosed with this newsletter is a order form, please send this and the money (if you internet bank, please put your child's name and olive oil as the reference) to the office by the 9 September. We are also taking orders for extra bottles after the initial sale.

## STOP WORK MEETING

On the 16th September, there is a NZEI stop work meeting that the teachers are entitled to attend. The buses will be leaving here 12.30pm sharp. We will have cover here for the children who's parents have sent back the notice last week.

## BUS BEHAVIOUR

At Ruakaka School, almost every child travels to school by bus – at least some of the time. I continually remind the children that it is a privilege to ride on the bus and that they need to get onto the bus, stay seated, not eat, and keep the noise levels down as much as they can. Recently I have received complaints from Bus Wardens about the behaviour of some of the children on the buses. If your child's behaviour is not acceptable, they will be removed from the bus for a week and as a parent you will need to drop off and pick up your child for that week. I do not do this lightly but the children are constantly reminded about the bus rules. I appreciate your support with this

## BUILDING UPDATE

Our new toilet block is coming along well – in spite of the weather. We will have the flashiest toilets in Northland! All of the grounds around the new ramp and the toilet block will be tidied up when the project is finished.

Our next big challenge is to get hold of some temporary classrooms until we get two new roll growth classrooms built next year. Very exciting but all seems to take so long with the growth in many schools up this way. Watch this space.