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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 Ezra Armstrong who found dub dub last month and won a \$50 voucher!

SCHOOL NOTICES

Swimming - This will begin as soon as the pool temperature is right. Please get the togs, towels and bathing cap organised and all named. Caps are available at the school office for \$5.00.

Tea Towels - to the lovely person who took our tea towels to wash after Gala day, could you please return them to the office. Thank you.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Bream Bay Cricket - Have a go - Friday night cricket.

Bream Bay cricket will be running a 4 week cricket programme - 4pm at One Tree Point School from Friday 25 November to 16 December. This is for Yr 1 to Yr 6 children of all levels. Games will take about 1 hour and the children will use plastic bats and soft balls which will be supplied. If you are interested, please give either Lisa 0273373851 or Helen 0211300931 a txt or call.

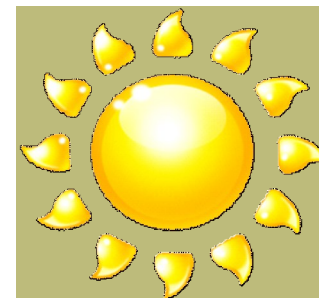
Marsden Yacht & Boat Club in One Tree Point is currently offering: Sailing every Monday evening at 5:00pm
Sailing every other Sunday from 10:30am on Sunday 13th November
Sailing every other Saturday from 2:30pm on Saturday 19th November
We will be organising a family barbecue after sailing on Saturday 19th November. For more information contact Andrew Baker on 027 703 4443.
Portland Kindergarten have vacancies, we are taking enrolments now. 8:30am – 2:30pm Monday to Friday. 2-6 year olds. No Fee's. 100% qualified teachers. If you are interested in a placement for your child, please contact the Kindergarten staff on 4322533 or email portland@nka.org.nz. Alternatively you are invited to visit the Kindy at Portland School Rd (inside the school grounds). We look forward to meeting with you.

SPORT NORTHLAND

EVERYDAY FOOD HEROES

Yoghurt is full of calcium and vitamin D which support bone health. Try buying natural yoghurt and adding your own fruit to sweeten.

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TERM 4

23 November - Bus monitors fun day
24 November - Interschool Athletics
25 November - Postponement Interschool Athletics
30 November - VIP Morning tea
2 December - Junior school athletics 11am to 12:30pm
2 December - Bream Bay College Taster Day for Year 5 + 6
8 December - Junior Beach Trip
9 December - Learning journals & reports home
12 December - Prizegiving Bream Bay College auditorium noon til 2pm
Year 6 graduation dinner date to be confirmed
14 December - Last day of term, Finishing at midday

TERM DATES 2016

Term 4 - 10th October to 14th December

TERM DATES 2017

Term 1 - 1st February to 13th April

Term 2 - 1st May to 7th July

RUAKAKA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



17th November 2016

Tena koutou katoa

It is now Week 6 of the term with only 3 and a half weeks to go with so much to do. Teachers are finishing off assessments and are busy writing reports. With so many children having been away sick over the last couple of weeks, there are lots of assessments to catch up with.

GARDEN TO TABLE PROGRAMME



We are lucky to be sponsored by Turners & Growers Global in order to run our Garden to Table programme. Mrs Hay runs this programme along with support from Judy and our children learn how to plant, grow and harvest food from our garden. They learn to prepare and cook the produce and best of all they get to eat the results. Did you manage to see our Enviro table at the Gala?? There was lots of lovely items that were made by the Garden to Table children. We wouldn't be able to provide this experience for our children without the wonderful support from Turner & Growers Global and Garden to Table.

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 tahi

SENIOR ATHLETICS

For the first time we split our athletics day into senior and junior because of the increase in our roll. The weather was fantastic, but unfortunately some of our children got burnt from the sun and we apologise for this. We had sunblock at each of the stations and I was constantly reminding children to put their shirts and hats back on. Can you please help us to keep your children sun safe by reminding them to put sunblock on, wear a t-shirt to cover their arms not a singlet and to wear a wide brimmed hat. Thank you for your help in this matter.

If your child has qualified to represent our school at interschool athletics next week, they would have received a separate notice about this yesterday. Please make sure these are returned to the office by the due date as we are unable to accept late lunch orders for interschool.



LEARNING JOURNALS \ PORTFOLIOS \ BOOK AMNESTY

We have an amnesty on all home readers and library books! Please look through your child's rooms, book shelves school bag or anywhere else they may have stashed books and return to the office. These books are expensive to replace, so please have a good look around. Thank you.

Please return your child's learning journal \ portfolio to their classroom teacher

SHOW DAY AND PRIZEGIVING TROPHIES

We are still waiting for some prizegiving trophies to be returned. **Please** return them to the office asap so they can be engraved for the next fantastic child to receive. Thank you for your help with this, please drop them off to the office. Keep the 12th of December free from 12.00 – 2.00pm.

TESTING \ ASSESSMENT

Over the next 3 - 4 weeks teachers are undertaking testing and assessment of your children. It is really important for your child to attend school every day, unless they are unwell. Lately we have had a large number of children arriving to school late, this causes disruption within the classroom, interferes with the testing and other learning programmes that are running. Please make sure your child is here before the 8:40am bell. If your child is away sick, please either ring or email the office or text our cell phone, thank you for your help with this matter.

ILLS AND CHILLS

We have had a nasty vomiting bug going through the school. Please remember that if your child has been vomiting, our school policy states that they are kept away from school for 24 hours after the last vomiting. This helps to eliminate infecting other children. There is also a flu that is currently going around, high temperatures, headaches, body aches etc, please keep your child home until they are well.

As it is term 4, we expect children to be wearing wide brimmed hats and sunscreen every day. If your child doesn't have hat on in the playground they will be directed to play in a shady area of the school.

JUNIOR ATHLETICS

Junior athletics will be held on Friday the 2nd of December from 11 am to 12:30pm for 5 and 6 year olds. Please feel free to stay and join your child for lunch. There will be no sausage sizzle on this day.

JUNIOR BEACH TRIP

The junior beach trip will be held on Thursday the 8th of December. It will be for rooms 1, 2, 9 and 10. A notice with more details will come home closer to the time. We would love for parents \ caregivers to come on this trip, so please note the date.

BREAM BAY COLLEGE TASTER DAY

On the 2nd of November, our year 5 and 6 students will be going to Bream Bay College for a taster day. Students will be picked up from school by bus in the morning and return in time for afternoon buses.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

This year we are struggling to find a venue to have our usual Year 6 Graduation Dinner. If anyone has any ideas, please let us know. Otherwise we will hold the event here at school one evening. We will be in touch as soon as a decision has been made.

END OF TERM

Last day of term is Wednesday the 14th of December. We will be finishing at midday and buses will leave here as soon as the children are loaded.

After school care will finish on Tuesday the 13th of December, so there will be no care available on the Wednesday.

The lost property box is exploding with clothes!!! Please come and see if any of it belongs to your child before the end of term, any clothes left will be donated to a worthy cause.