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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 Ruby-Leigh Somner who found dub dub last month and won a \$50 voucher!

Website  
www.ruakaka.school.nz

## PUKAPUKA PARTY

What a wonderful event!! It was great to see so many of our children attend and enjoy this event. Before the event Clifford and Geronimo Stilton visited the school along with ex All-Black Ian Jones.



## SCHOOL NOTICES

**NETBALL** - If your child is practising netball on a Thursday afternoon please make sure you have phoned or called into the office to let them know. If you do not inform the office, your child will be sent home as per normal. Thank you for your help with this.

**EASTER** - Just a reminder, Easter is from Good Friday the 25th March through to Tuesday the 29th March and there is no school on these days. We looked forward to your children returning on Wednesday 30th March.

## SPORT NORTHLAND

## EGG-CELLENT EGGS

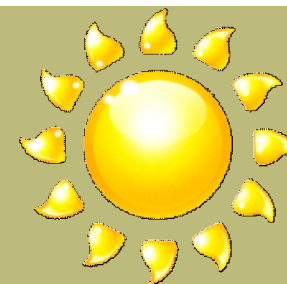
## BOILED EGG WITH VEGETABLE SOLDIERS!

- 1 soft-boiled egg (5-6min)
- ½ carrot chopped into sticks
- ½ capsicum cut lengthwise
- 1 piece wholegrain toast

Boil egg, prepare vegetables, cut toast into soldiers. Dip them into your egg!



Developed by Sport Waikato 2015



## TERM 1

22 to 24 Mar - Senior Camp rooms 8 & 4

25 To 29 Mar - Easter School is closed on Friday 25th March Monday 28th March and Tuesday 29th March

7 Apr - Tent City Juniors

13 to 15 Apr - Senior camp rooms 5 & 6

15 Apr - ANZAC Assembly

Term 1 holidays

15th April to 1 May

## TERM 2

5 May - Powhiri

9 May - Mid Year Reports

12 May - Parent \ Teacher Interviews, 3pm - 7.30pm

18 May - Parent \ Teacher Interviews, 3pm - 5.30pm

## TERM DATES 2016

Term 1 - 3 February to 15 April

Term 2 - 2 May to 8 July

Term 3 - 25 July to 23 September

Term 4 - 10 October to 15 December

# RUAKAKA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



24th March 2016

Tēna koutou katoa

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Rooms 8 and 4 will return from their camp at "The Farm" today in time for buses at 2:30. We look forward to hearing the children's stories when they return. Below are some photos from day 1 of camp.

The Easter raffle has been drawn today so congratulations to those who have won. This raffle was so well supported this year and there are some fabulous prizes.

We wish you all a happy and safe Easter with your children.



## Whakatauki (proverb) of the Week

*He koanga tangata tahi, he ngahuru puta noa*

*Spring planting is lonely. Autumn harvest has many helpers.*

# A Balanced Education in a Supportive Environment



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

We will be holding the triannual board of trustees elections in June this year. As part of the process, we will be giving you information in the next few newsletters. If you are interested in becoming a board member, you can pick up a booklet from the office or organise with the office to talk with James (current Board Chair).

### The Board:

- is accountable for student achievement
- sets the vision for the school or kura
- ensures the school or kura complies with legal and policy requirements

## What do trustees do?

First and foremost a board is accountable for student progress and achievement to its parents, community and the Crown. The board has the overall responsibility and accountability for the school or kura. The legal responsibilities of boards of trustees are determined by the Education Act of 1989, Section 75 of the Act outlines the functions and powers of boards:

- 1 A school's board must perform its functions and exercise its powers in such a way as to ensure that every student at the school is able to attain his or her highest possible standard in educational achievement
- 2 Except to the extent that any enactment or the general law of New Zealand provides otherwise, a school's board has complete discretion to control the management of the school as it thinks fit.

### Here are some of the specific things boards do:

Set the strategic direction and long-term plans for the school or kura in consultation with the school or kura's community.

Monitor the board's progress against the charter goals and targets.

Monitor and evaluate student progress and achievement.

Oversee the management of staff, progress, finances, curriculum and administration.

Ensure that government priorities are met.

Fulfil the intent of the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage.

Appoint and support the principal and assess their performance.

Act as good employers to all staff at the school or kura

## INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

Our school, placed 3rd, at the interschool swimming sports, was a great achievement for all our swimmers who took part. Your child would have received a certificate last week if they were placed. A huge thank you has to go out to our parent supporters who came along on the day and helped in a variety of roles. Without your help the day would not run so efficiently. A massive thank you to Bream Bay College for the use of their pool, and to the Bream Bay Swimming Club for the use of their equipment. We couldn't hold days without their support.

## PELORUS TRUST

The Pelorus Trust have generously part funded us for new Kapa Haka uniforms. This is great as our uniforms are getting a little tired and dated. We are looking forward to seeing our children in the new uniforms soon.

## SWIM FOR LIFE

Swim for Life will finish on the 5th of April. This is a valuable programme that teaches our children life-saving skills in the water. Please send your child with togs each day as they are expected to take part unless they have a note from their parent or caregiver.

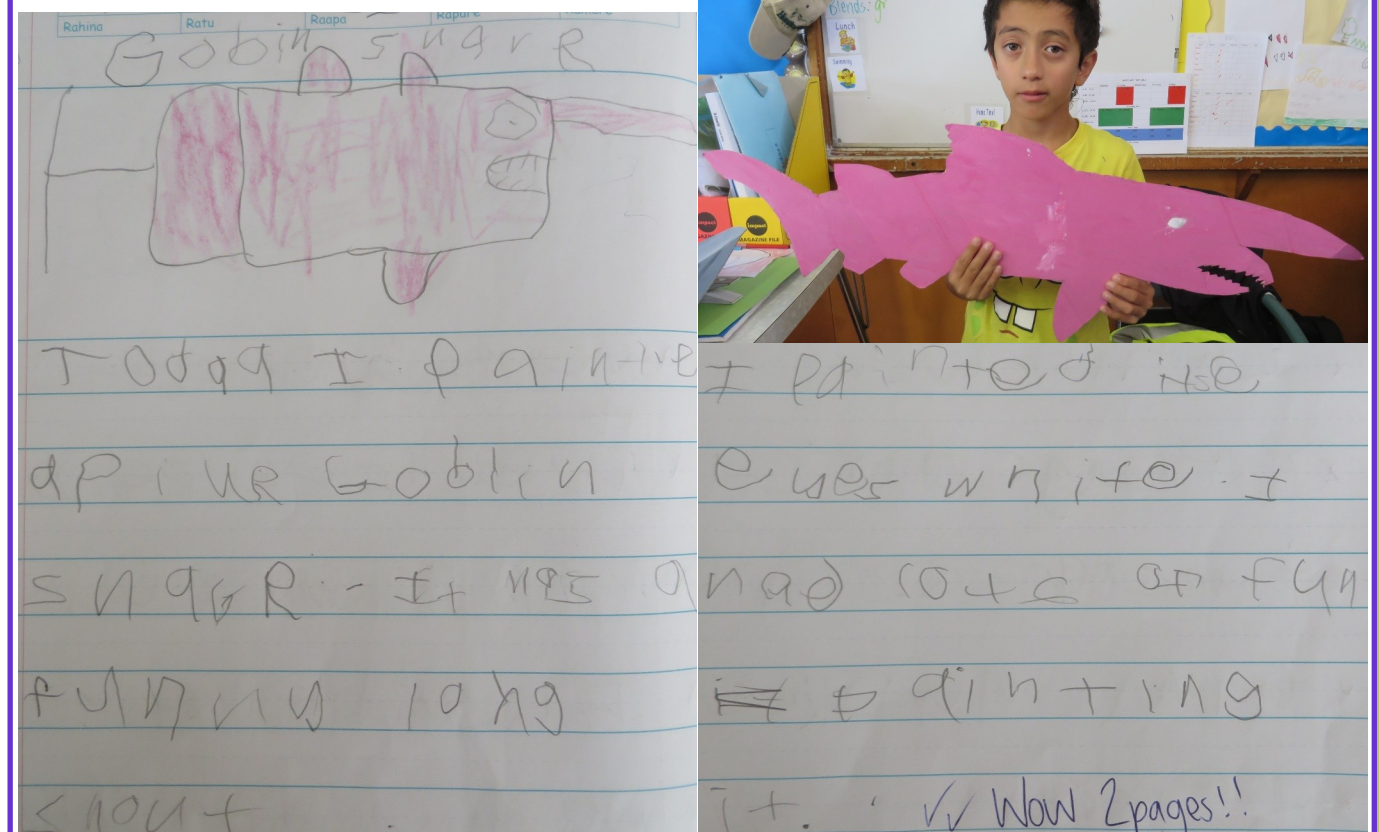
## TREASURER FOR PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Parent Support Group is looking for a treasurer to replace Sandra Brady who did such a great job over the last few years keeping an eye on our finances, paying bills etc. It's not a particularly large role as we don't have that many outgoings but it's important that we have the right person in the role who has an eye for details, some experience with book keeping and is available to pop into the school to check for bills that need paying etc. If you are keen please give James McCullough a call on 021 395 106 or email him on jamesemma1@xtra.co.nz

## GALA DAY 2016

The date has been set – Saturday 29th of October. The theme is going to be Country and Western. If you have any great ideas that we could use on the day, please let us know. We are going to need as many helpers as we can get so please keep this date free. We will be having regular meetings so keep an eye out on your emails about these. This is our major fundraising for the year and it is always an amazing event that the community looks forward to, so put your hand up and be part of a wonderful event.

### Goblin Shark by Andreaz, Rm 1



Today I painted a pink Goblin Shark. It has a funny long snout. I painted its eyes white. I had lots of fun painting it. By Andreaz.