

## NORTH WEST ZONE NETBALL

Big thanks to Heather Lundon, Megan Martin & Jo Soole for helping our Year 7 & 8 students at the netball last week. It is fantastic to have your support.

They competed with fair play and the girls managed to win some of their games...Well done!

## PTA UPDATE

### Meat Raffle

The winner of the last meat raffle was **Greer McInally** Please call into the office and put your name down on our raffle list - \$2 each or 3 for \$5....not bad value for the chance to win a \$60 value meat pack.

**Positive Negative Family Portraits** – we have organised these for the 29<sup>th</sup> August – fliers will be sent home in early August.

## MUSIC EDUCATION CENTRE

We currently have tutors from the Music Education centre tutor students in Guitar and Drums, at the school. They have now notified us that they will be commencing Piano lessons. If your child is interested in learning any of these instruments please phone 0800 893939.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### OLD MONEY FOR KIDS CAMPAIGN

The Lions Club, in sponsorship with Resene Paints and the Reserve Bank are running a nationwide appeal for the public to donate old pre-decimal coins and banknotes, any Australian or other foreign bank notes & coins, current loose change to this appeal fund. The Reserve bank will honour face value of the currency collected. The established funds will be used to support participants in Outward Bound, Youth Exchange programmes, Lion Quest Programme, Spirit of Adventure, Sir Edward Hilary Outdoor Pursuits Centres and Duke of Edinburgh awards Schemes. **Riverhead School** has a collection tin on the counter in the office if you wish to drop in your coins.

### RIVERHEAD WINTER CEILIDH

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August 7:30pm – Midnight at the Riverhead Hall – A Night of Celtic Dance and Winter Cheer with a live Celtic band. \$40 double, \$25 single. Phone Jude on 4127893 or Heather on 4126413 for tickets or more information. All proceeds will go to the Riverhead Scouts for the 2010 National Scout Jambore

### KUMEU INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE

**KIDS SOFTBALL-** Sunday 8 August 2.00pm to 4.00pm Cost \$5.00 per player Bring your training gear and running shoes

**SUNDAY SPORTS COMBO** Dodgeball – 2.00pm to 3.00pm, 6 Aside Netball 3.00pm to 4.00pm, Cricket – 4.00pm to 6.00pm

**COMBO DEAL** Play 1 game for \$6.00, Play 2 games for \$10.00 Bring a team or come on your own.



Ron Irwin is a resident of Riverhead and works out of the Harcourts Kumeu office. He is actively involved in supporting the community and is well qualified to assist anyone requiring the services of a local Real Estate consultant.

**For professional and dependable advice call:**

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# RIVERHEAD SCHOOL Newsletter



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## DRAMAS OF THE DAY



Your children may have arrived home full of news that “Mrs Cook was taken away in an ambulance today!” .... We just want to assure you that she is ok, apart from a very bad break to her arm and her pride! She was very pleased that she managed to save the laptop she was carrying – at the expense of her arm. She has however maintained her great sense of humour and of course is giving the nurses a hard time and texting us madly at school to bring her laptop so she can work as she is “bored”! We

are guessing she will be back at school sooner rather than later if she has her way! ☺

## PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

We are currently working on a parent consultation questionnaire covering the School Reporting systems and the new National Standards Guidelines. We will be sending this home next week so please keep an eye out for this. We hope that you will take the time to fill in the form so we can gauge the value of our current reporting systems and whether or not we need to make changes to them. The more feedback we get from parents the more we can ascertain what parents would like to see about their achievements.



## PREFAB BUILDING REMOVALS

We are hoping that our “Prefab Farm” will be removed shortly, though at this stage we cannot give a definite date as it is all dependant on us having a run of fine weather – let’s hope this will be soon though so we can have our fields back again and finally get our school looking smart again.



BIG thanks to **Lisa Munro** for dropping off all the arty wood cutouts.....one of the pre-requisites for becoming a teacher is that they must have a built in ‘scavenging instinct’. As such they took great delight going through them – they emptied the boxes in no time! They will certainly be of great use to all the students (and scavengers) – Thanks Lisa ☺

## TWILIGHT PARTY

The Board of Trustees will be holding a Friday Twilight Party & Celebration including a Sausage Sizzle early in Term 4 as the ‘official’ opening of our new buildings. Watch this space for details as it gets closer to the time.

## PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Wonderful to see so many parents attending our Parent / Teacher conferences last week & hope that you found them to be beneficial. It is always great for our teachers to meet the parents of their students and to discuss strategies to help their learning achievements.


## WHAREPUKAPUKA – LIBRARY

Thank you to those who have dropped off books, games and puzzles to fill the shelves of our new library....we still need more so please keep them coming....remember that they do need to be in excellent condition and games & puzzles need to have all pieces intact.

### KEY DATES

Please note key dates on your calendar. Details of events are in the newsletter as the dates approach.

### Term 3

Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> August	-	Year 7 & 8 Zone Cross Country	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> August	-	Rewards Day	
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> August 6:00pm	-	Board of Trustees meeting	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> August	-	Year 3 & 4 Howick Historical Village trip	
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> August	-	Positive Negative Family Portrait fundraiser	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	-	School Speech Competition	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	-	Year 5 & 6 Cluster Speech competition	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	-	Year 7 & 8 Cluster Speech competition	
20 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	-	Year 5 & 6 Shakespear Camp	
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	-	APPA Choir Rehearsal at Oteha Valley	
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	-	Last day of Term 3	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	-	Beginning of Term 4	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	-	Last Day of Term 4	

### GALA

As part of entertainment for our upcoming Gala in March next year, we are on the look out for mini quad bikes, LT50 Suzuki or similar as they have **speed** control options which is wise! Ideally we would need four or five.

Also anyone that may have some old hay bales or tyres to offer so we can have a contained track.

If you can help with any of these items please call Fiona Curtis on 027 224 2576 or email [davefi@xtra.co.nz](mailto:davefi@xtra.co.nz)

### OUR BRILLIANT CHILDREN

Well done to the following students who have performed well in their chosen sport / activity over the weekend:

**Henry Dyer** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place International division All American Soap Box Derby, Ohio USA

**Madeleine O'Malley** – Waitakere Soccer – Player of the Day

**Renee Paterson** - Soccer Grade Tournament – 5 winning games

**Torin Hirst** - NorWest Soccer U8 Stingers – Most Improved

**Grace MacDougall** - Riverhead Netball – Player of the Day

**Tane Kay** - Kumeu Rugby – Player of the Day

**Kiernan Casey** - Kumeu Rugby J7 – Sportsman award

**Aiden Dreaver** - Kumeu Rugby Player of the Day



## PROPOSED HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

The following article was published on the Hobsonville Point website ([www.hobsonvillepoint.co.nz](http://www.hobsonvillepoint.co.nz)) re the new schools in the Hobsonville area. "The Hobsonville Land Company is pleased to bring to your attention that the Ministry of Education has commenced its consultation process for the new primary and secondary schools planned for Hobsonville Point. Current planning is for the primary school to open in 2013 and for the secondary school to open in 2014. The Ministry of Education is currently seeking the community's views on the two schools and is also seeking nominations for the establishment boards for the schools. For more details please contact Jenny Wilson at the Ministry of Education at [jenny.wilson@minedu.govt.nz](mailto:jenny.wilson@minedu.govt.nz)."

Many people would be of the opinion that the secondary school is more of a priority than a primary school and they are urging parents to individually write to the Ministry to express their views.

### CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to all our students for braving the elements yesterday to run the Cross Country. You all did tremendously well in the wet conditions. However, we decided it was cross "country" which involves mud and believe me – the kids loved it! Thanks also to all those parents who took time out of their busy day to come and support their children – we know they love having you there.

Full results will be in next week's newsletter.

### ASB

School banking is Tuesday & Wednesday. Encourage a good savings habit from a young age, making small and regular deposits is the best way to go even 50c or 10c a week is a great start to regular savings and creates a good savings habit. If you would like to register your child, applications are available from the school office. The children receive a Kashin banking bag which includes a savings diary, calculator and certificate.



Banking can be dropped into the "Kashin" drop box which is located in the school office foyer.

### TRAVELWISE "RIDING BY" PROGRAMME

In conjunction with the NZ Police & Travelwise next week we will be commencing our "Riding By" programme where children may bring bikes, scooters or skateboards as per the following timetable:

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	-	Room 3
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> August	-	Rooms 7, 9 and 10
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> August	-	Room 4
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	-	Room 12 & Room 5
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	-	Room 11
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	-	Room 8

Rooms 1, 2 & 13 to be advised

Constable Dave will be taking the children through safety procedures with riding in the community.