



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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Te Kura Tuatahi O Whangatoa

KA PAI KA PAI to the following students who have shared their fantastic learning with me this week – Georgia, Jessica, Rm4 Libbi, Rm11, and Tamati, Harry Rm6

KA PAI also to Brianna O, Tiennan C, Rm2, Tasya M, Connor F, Rm3, Alicia, Daegan, Rm6, Fergus B, Chloe D, Rm10, Arnold L, Kaea H, Grace S, Rm13, Heidi S, Jordan W, Rm16 who receive certificates from their teachers for excellent learning this week.

NZEI STOPWORK MEETING

The NZEI Stopwork meeting that was cancelled earlier this term is now being held on **Thursday 6th May**. Please collect your children from the school at 2.00pm.

The school library will be supervised by some staff for any children who are unable to be picked up until 3.00pm. Thanks for your support of this meeting.

INFORMATION EVENING

Information Evening is on next week, **Wednesday 28th April from 7.00-8.00**. Workshops are on the following topics:

- KnowledgeNet & ICT,
- Literacy and Oral Language,
- Numeracy, Educating Boys,
- Supporting learning at home and
- National Standards.

SCHOOL DONATION & TERM FEES

Thank you to all of the families who paid their activity fees and school donation for the whole year.

If you are paying each term then activity fees and donations for term two are now due as follows:

- \$20.00 Activity fee per child
- \$41.50 Donation for 1 child
- \$74.00 Donation for 2 children
- \$99.00 Donation for 3 children
- \$125.00 Donation for 4 or more children

Team Torbay Values

Commitment
Aroha
Respect
Responsibility
Excellence

Together
Everyone
Achieves
More

TARGETED SPORTS COACHING

Last term we were successful in applying for some funding through SPARC and Sport North Harbour to foster participation in competitive sports.

The funding has been allocated to eight schools in our Northern Bays Principals' Cluster for a series of 8 sports to be developed over a two-year period. SPARC, Sport North Harbour and each participating school also contributes some money.

Our children receive 6 coaching sessions in each of Hockey, Badminton, Volleyball, Tennis, Squash, Table Tennis, Softball, and Kiwikick (the NZ version of AFL). This term our coaching focus will be Badminton starting in week four.

Our teachers will be working alongside the professional coaches, and parents are also invited to observe any of the sessions if you would like to learn more about the sports.

Two training sessions for parents are included for each sport as part of the project in case you might be interested in being a manager or coach of any subsequent school teams.

One of the outcomes of our project is to hold mini tournaments within our cluster of schools. The eight schools in our cluster have been split into two groups, East and West, with the motorway being the great divide.

East -, Torbay, Glamorgan, Long Bay. Oteha Valley
West - Albany, Coatesville, Greenhithe, Dairy Flat.

PMP: PMP will be starting next week, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (9 to 9.30 and 1.30 to 3pm). I look forward to seeing all our lovely parent helpers.
Debbie Abbott

PHOTOLIFE CLASS PHOTOS: These are being taken **TUESDAY 4 MAY** at school (not Wed, 5 May, as the prepaid envelopes state).

YEAR 2 NETBALL: Over the past few years we have had several wonderful parents who have run a netball skills programme for year 2 girls who wish to learn the basics of the game. This has usually run during terms 2 and 3 and then the teams are put into the summer league competition run at Pinehurst in term 4, to enable them to gain some understanding of playing, without the pressure of full competition. If there are any parents who would be able to take this on for the year, please come and see Kirsten Richards in room 17.



WEBSITE OF THE WEEK

www.metvuw.com (the best weather forecast website)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

Nominations close at 12.00 noon tomorrow, April 23rd.

Candidates may wish to supply a signed, written statement giving information for the voting community to accompany their nomination.

MEETINGS:

Next BOT Meeting is **Monday 3rd May** at 7.00pm in the staffroom. Next PTA meeting is **Tuesday 4th May** at 7.30pm in the staffroom.

CHECK OUT THE EXCITING EVENTS BEING HELD AFTER SCHOOL AT TORBAY SCHOOL THIS TERM!

KIDS CAN COOK: COOKING CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

The classes will be held on Monday afternoons, at Torbay, in the school lunchroom. Each lesson will run for 2 hours, from 3.30pm to 5.30pm. Each lesson will be restricted to a maximum of 6 children. The first lesson will commence Monday 3rd May. For children 7 and older. The children will learn to prepare and cook a main and a desert, and they will be able to take their portion home. They will also be given the recipes used in that class. They will learn basic cooking skills, food handling and kitchen hygiene, and an understanding of a balanced meal. The cost per lesson is \$30. Spaces are limited so call to secure a place. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Kelly Downes, Entice Catering ph: 473 0696 or 021 321740

HIPHOP DANCE CLASSES IN THE SCHOOL HALL – Term 2 - From April 28th to June 30th on Wednesdays 3.15-4.00. These classes are high energy, fun and develop individual skill in rhythm, co-ordination, timing and speed. The students will learn the latest funkier moves in an environment that boosts self esteem and confidence and inspires students to be the best they can be. These classes will aim to complete a dance routine which can be performed in a group setting at the end of the term. Music and choreography is chosen very carefully and lyrically clean. Students definitely enjoy these classes and are challenged at the same time. Zanya Lansdowne from INZPYA Dance Academy has been teaching Hiphop, Jazz, Street tap and Lyrical dance for 10years. Cost \$100 per student for the full term. Please complete the enclosed registration form and return with payment to the office as soon as possible.

HIPHOP DANCE CLASS REGISTRATION

Name: _____ Rm: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____ I have enclosed \$100.00 (cash or cheque to Z Lansdowne.) Please return urgently to the school office.

BRING 'N BUY SECONDHAND UNIFORM SALE:

Friday 30th April - 2.30pm to 3.15pm.

Bring your old items to on-sell to others!

CALENDAR

April	
28	Information Evening 7 to 8pm
May	
3	BoT Meeting, 7pm
4	PTA Meeting
4	Photolife Class Photos
5	Kids for Kids Concert
6	Mothers Day Stall
6	Stop Work Mtg, 2pm
6	Rugby Field Day
6-7	Dental Van here
21-22	40 hour Famine
24	New Parent M Tea, 9.30am
24/25	Dental Van here

COMMUNITY NEWS:

MUMS AND DADS WANTED FOR FREE POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAMME:

Do you have a 3 to 8 year old who is displaying moderate behavioural problems, such as tantrums, aggression, conflict with siblings or disruptive behaviour? Learn strategies, in the privacy of your own home, with complete confidentiality. Contact 623 8899 ext 48778 or email tprg@auckland.ac.nz. Run by the Triple P Research Group at the University of Auckland.

NORTH SHORE YOUTH BAND:

Concert on the 1st of May 7pm at Long Bay College- see Long Bay School for details and tickets.

WANTED: 200 working mothers to participate in a survey about how stress and guilt affect mothers, family and work. Participate and be in the draw to **win a \$130.00 voucher** for a beauty treatment. The survey will take approximately 10min of your time. To access the on-line survey go to <http://www.claritycoaching.co.nz/survey>.

KELLY SPORTS: Check out www.kellysports.co.nz/eastcoastbays.asp

ECB RUGBY LEAGUE: Need more under 6 players. Training Thurs 5.30pm at Freyberg Park. All welcome.