



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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Te Kura Tuatahi O Whangatoa

KA PAI to the following students who have shared their fantastic learning with me this week – Tayne x2, Jade, Tayo, Jake, Nio, Jordan, Rm16, Libbi x2, Max, Evan, Charlie, R11, Kahu, Oliver, Rm13, Amy, Harry, Rm15.

KA PAI also to the following students who receive certificates from their teachers for excellent learning this week: Emma B, Caleb F, Rm2, Rosie D, Rosana B, Rm3, Nathaniel W, Taylor C, Rm5, Hannah D, Christian E, Rm6, Emily F, Stella C, Rm7, Joshua H, Grace C, Rm20.

FOCUS ON THE ARTS: This term we are focusing on The Arts. We start this off with a performance assembly next Monday, 26th July at 1.30 with a number of groups performing. Then on Tuesday 27th our choir and dance group will perform with the Northern Bay Cluster at Bruce Mason Theatre in Takapuna. Our classes will have a focus on Music and Dance and Drama this term through the CRT programme. We have employed an extra Music Specialist to take music classes for all Year 4 – 6 students. In week nine we will host our own Visual Arts Festival in the hall. During week ten a dance group will perform for the school and we will have a final assembly with some more performances.

BOOKWEEK: Next week is our annual Bookweek, with a focus on enjoying reading. We welcome Grandparents and Special guests to school on Monday morning at 10.00am to read with the children. On Thursday 29th we have The Bushman performing for the whole school and on Friday 30th we will have a Hat Parade.

ACTIVITY FEE: Activity fees are due for term three if you pay each term. This is \$20 for the term. Our first paying activity is next Thursday. Please make sure you have paid this by Wednesday. Thanks to all of those families who have paid their Activity Fees for the year.

PROPERTY WORK: Recent work we have had done includes resurfacing and repainting the pool and the refurbishment of the Dental Clinic into a working space for the school during the day, room for the After School Fun Club and bookable seminar space for the evenings and weekends. This space has a toilet and kitchen area and will be finished next holidays with a ranchslider and a covered deck.

Team Torbay Values

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EXCELLENCE: During this school holiday, Ada from Room 20 went down to Wellington for the Karate NZ Nationals Championship which is held once a year. Ada won three gold medals in the 8-9 female age group and she has attended the high performance two days training camp, training alongside with the national team members. Congratulations Ada – well done

STAFF: Later this term we will temporarily farewell Colleen Bott who has been offered a job until the end of next year at Team Solutions developing Literacy in Auckland Schools. We wish Colleen all the best and will miss her expertise and wealth of knowledge. We welcome Rosanne McHugh who will join our staff in August as a support teacher across the school and then start our next Year One class next term.

ART FESTIVAL: Can you help us? We need someone who has a trailer to pick up the North Shore School Art screens from Belmont Intermediate on Friday 10th September and return them on Friday 17th. **Please contact the office if you can help us.**

JULY 1st ROLL: Each July we count the students in our school for the Ministry of Education. These figures are used to help project our roll for the next few years. We had 436 students, 204 girls and 232 boys. The breakdown by year level is below.

Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Total
74	71	82	65	65	79	436

If your child was absent on 1/7/10 we must have an absence note from you. Please send this to the office as soon as possible, thank you.

Key Competency - Participating and Contributing

This week we are sharing our **WITS** strategy.
This is a behaviour management strategy that assists students and teachers to problem solve

W Walk away or ignore
I I statement
T Tell someone
S Stand up for yourself

How and When to Use "I" Statements

When you want to say something but don't know what will help, 'I' statement is a good step in the right direction. An "I" statement says how I see it. Use an "I" statement when you need to let the other person know you are feeling strongly, feeling hurt or angry - it's useful to say exactly what's going on for you. An "I" statement is not about being polite or 'nice'. **It's about being clear.**

I feel sad when I'm left out,,,I would like to join in your game and play with you.

http://www.compassioncoach.com/how_and_when_to_use_i_statements

WANTED: CARDBOARD OFFCUTS: Do you have any cardboard off cuts or do you know any businesses that could supply these to us for the children to use in art classes?

ACRYLIC PAINT: We are looking for acrylic white undercoat and also bright coloured acrylic paint, either interior or exterior. If you have any left over paint please bring it to Room 18 for use on a new mural. Thanks, Mrs Turvey, Art Teacher

MUSIC UPDATE

Our choir and dance group are performing at the Bruce Mason Centre next week in a combined Northern Bays Schools concert.

Children need to be the BM no later than 6.00pm Tuesday 27th. The concert is estimated to finish around 8.30 pm so if you are dropping your child off and picking up later, please be there by 8.30 pm.

Children need to be in costume complete with hair and make-up done. We will do touch ups only.

We still have access to some tickets so please get yours from the school office now. Tickets are issued on a first in first serve basis. \$15.00 per adult, \$10 per child.

Contact the office if you have any queries.

DIARY 2010

July
27 Arts Festival Performance at Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna
27 PTAMeeting, 7.30pm
26 to 30 BOOK WEEK
30 Quiz Night

Aug 2 BoT Meeting, 7pm
12 Chess Competition
18 Team Photos
19 Rugby Field Day
20 Year 6 visit Northcross Int
21 Pos Neg Photos
23 Winter Cluster Sports
27 Daffodil Day
31 Year 1-3 NSCC Performance

Book Week 2010

Journey through Reading

BUY A BOOK FOR OUR LIBRARY!

We hope you enjoy all the wonderful activities next week as we celebrate the joy of reading. Don't forget that we will have new library books for sale in the lobby - \$5.00 or \$15.00 a hardback -each book will be noted as donated by your family to our library and will be issued to your child to read first.

PTA CORNER

Chocolate Fundraising: Chocolates are coming home tomorrow. Note: the size of the box has increased from 20 to 24 bars, and is now \$60 for a full box.

Quiz Night: Only 1 week to go til our fun-filled Quiz Night. Please confirm your table bookings asap! Tables are filling up fast.

Thank you for all donations of yummy bottles for the bottle auction and quality items for the silent auction. Please have them all in to the office by Wednesday next week. Remember all donations will earn your child 100 house points!

The silent auction will be open for viewing and placing bids Thursday and Friday morning in the foyer, 8.45 - 9.30. Start collecting your gold coins to bring along on the night. You'll want them for games (and maybe to buy the answer to that curly question!!) Platters of food and wine & beer will be available for purchase on the night. Also BYO.

We look forward to seeing you and your friends dressed in a "P" costume next Friday night. Quiz starts at 7.30.

Thank you for your help and support of Torbay School.



WEBSITE OF THE WEEK:

www.starfall.com

Encouraging reading activities

Free Judo lessons - Bays City Judo Club Inc. Learn this world recognised martial art and sport, and develop confidence and self-defence skills whilst getting fit and having fun. Beginners Classes Starts Thurs 22 July. Beginners are welcome - the first four classes are entirely free and there is no obligation to join on completion. Ages 5 -12 years are from 6 – 7 pm and 13 years upwards, 7 – 8pm at the Torbay School Hall. All instructors are volunteers and are registered with the New Zealand Judo Federation. Phone our Principal Instructor, Dave Cordery, 3rd Dan, on 0274 923 551 for further information or to register now.

Kelly Sports is back for another term of exciting sports! Enrol before the 26/7/10 and take advantage of our Early Bird Rate of \$65 for our fun-filled 8 week programme. Email jeremyb@kellysports.co.nz , call 443 0254 or check out our website www.kellysports.co.nz/eastcoastbays.asp