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### From the Principal

Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

Welcome to the second week of the term, time is already whizzing by and the classrooms are settled and into the business of learning! Welcome to **Ben Hof** (Marie's brother) who has joined room 7. Welcome Ben, it is great to have you at our school! The school roll stands at **192**.



### Core Teaching and Learning Beliefs

The second of our teaching and learning beliefs is; Te Horo School Children are 'Good Citizens'.

We believe that children need to be active participants of our school community and contribute to our school culture.

We will: -

- ✦ Provide opportunities for social interactions across levels.
- ✦ Develop positive relationships within the school community.
- ✦ Promote and model school values and beliefs.
- ✦ Involve students in whole school decisions (student council)

Value and model inclusion of all students and families/whanau.



We see this occurring a lot at present and it is an integral part of the special character of our school. How are we going, is there anything we could do better?

### Rooms 6, 7 & 8 Otaki Forks Orientation Camp

Mrs Bee has run this exciting camp for a number of years as a way to orient the class, build culture, manage risks, experience the outdoors etc. This year both Mrs Smith and Mr Neville will be taking their classes along as well. The dates have been set for **Monday 27 February to Wednesday 29 February**. Further details will follow asap.



### Open Evening/Picnic - Wednesday 22 February

Please join us for an informal picnic and get together to meet the teachers on Wednesday 22 February from 5-7pm. **The classrooms will be open from 5:00-6:00pm** and the teachers will be there for you to meet, ask questions and chat to. If you wish to have a more formal interview please arrange another time with your child's teacher. At 6:00pm the teachers will join everyone for a picnic on the school field. Please bring along a picnic dinner and cross fingers for a sunny evening.

## School Beach Day (Te Horo)

We are planning a school beach day on **Friday 9 March**. Years 6-8 have the option of riding their bikes with the rest of the school going in cars. We are hoping for a warm day where children and families can enjoy our local environment and complete a few fun beach day activities. Further details will follow in the coming weeks. **Paul Cockburn from Kapiti Cycles** in Otaki will be in on **Friday 2 March** to check that all bikes are up to safety standards. We ask that all bikes are brought to school this day.



## Wheels Day Fridays

A reminder that children are welcome to bring their wheels to school on Fridays. Helmets must be worn for bikes and we encourage safety gear for scooters, skate boards etc.

## Assembly – Student of the Week Awards (Super Kids)



We have been discussing the giving of certificates (student of the week awards) in assembly for the past 6 months. Our discussion has been around wanting to acknowledge the efforts of children and balancing this with making sure every child receives a certificate and for a meaningful reason. Furthermore, with greater numbers than previous years, it takes a lot longer in assembly to present these and in reality some children do not receive an award until later in the year.

Students are often acknowledged as part of normal classroom programmes where more students can be recognised for their efforts. E.g. stickers, certificates, golden time etc.

As a trial we are going to stop presenting certificates and instead acknowledge students of the week, now known as Super Kids, by listing names in the newsletter and displaying names on the projector in assembly.

## CCC – Coffee and Chat with Craig

Thank you to everyone who made it along this morning. These occur every second Wednesday morning in the staffroom. Next date will be 29th February.



## Swimming

Our swimming programmes are well underway in every class. Thank you to **Stacey Faith** (qualified swimming coach) who is coming into school on Monday and Wednesday mornings to teach many of the classes. We are using some of our timebank hours as a thank you for Stacey's help. A new initiative this year is the **Year 8 students helping/tutoring the junior classes**. The 'big kids' are in the pool with the little ones and teaching them water confidence activities. It is wonderful for both groups and an excellent way to foster many of our core teaching and learning beliefs!



## Life Education Trust

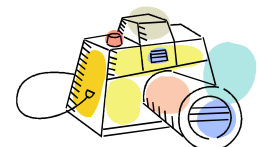
Paula and Harold the Giraffe and the team from Life Education Trust are in school next Tuesday for rooms 1-5. The classes will be learning about positive relationships with others and will complement the class programme. The truck will be set up by the dental clinic. You are welcome to pop inside and have a look.

## Stationery Lists

Thank you once again to everyone who has paid for the stationery, one off shows and school contribution and to those who responded to the quick survey last week which has been very positive. We value all feedback on this. If you didn't send in the survey last week please do so.

## Gottcha Photography

At the end of last year we had the school photos taken by Rennee from Gottcha Photography. The photos were amazing and we were thrilled with



them. This year we are hoping to have the photos taken in term 3, some time in September, date to be finalised. More details to follow.

### Enviromental Club 2012

We have a very keen group of children who are willing to start with the enviro club this year.

Unfortunately two of the wonderful parents we had last year are unavailable this year.

Is there anybody out there who is willing to come and spend an hour on a Wednesday from 1 -2 pm working with a group in this programme.

If you are interested or have an area of expertise please make contact with Mrs Bee. Thanking you in anticipation.



### Stranger Danger - Please be aware

Kapiti Police are concerned about some suspicious behaviour in and around Waikanae in recent days and are asking the community to be vigilant. Waikanae Community Constable Brett Polglase says Police have received three reports of a man in a white car approaching children and young people over the past three weeks.

The man is described as European, aged in his 40s, around six foot tall of thin build with dark curly hair and round glasses. The vehicle is described as a white four door saloon, possibly a Toyota Corolla.

Craig Vidulich  
Principal

### Last thoughts....

Yay, South Africa are here to play the Black Caps. Is it just me or for the first time in about 20 years do you get the feeling that we are going to be a force to be reckoned with?

Congratulations to **Andrew Rider** (Ex BOT Chair and Jack's dad) who competed in the gruelling Coast to Coast event last week!

*'We can never discover new continents until we have the courage to lose sight of all coasts'*  
Andre Gide

## Super Kids



Room 1 **Maddie Simpson** and **Manaia Waiti** for fantastic effort into writing.

Room 2 **Niamh Pierce** for settling into Te Horo School so well. Well done.

Room 3 **All the students in room 3** for good listening.

Room 4 **Carter Winterburn** for always following instructions so beautifully.

Room 5 **Charlotte Marshall, Frankie Vidulich, Jayna McCardle** and **Amber Dobbs** for being good citizens.

Room 6 **Aimee Avery** for her positive and enthusiastic start to the year.

Room 7 **Max Clyma** for his focused start to the year and his positive attitude

**Kara Scrimgeour** for the bright and energetic start she has made in her new school.

**Brittney McEwan** for the determined start she has made to be a Year 7 role model in and out of the classroom

**Hannah Murphy** for her mature attitude and stepping out as a positive role model this year

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### Coming Events

21 February	Home and School meeting 7:30pm in the staffroom
21 February	Life Trust in for Rooms 1-5
22 February	Parent Open Evening
27-29 February	Room 6,7, and 8 Otaki Forks camp
29 February	C.C.C. - Coffee and Chat with Craig 9:00am in the staffroom
	Board of Trustees meeting 7:30pm in the boardroom
1 March	Strike — Term 1 show 2:00pm in the school hall
9 March	Beach Day
13 March	Home and School AGM followed by monthly meeting
5 April	End of term 1
23 April	Start of term 2
29 June	End of term 2
16 July	Start of term 3
September	Gottcha Photography doing school photos (date to be confirmed)
28 September	End of term 3
15 October	Start of term 4
20 December	End of term 4

### Community Notices

## OPEN DAY



Come and discover what Equine Assisted Therapy is all about. Groups, individuals, families, couples welcome.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our open days last year. They were a great success and a substantial number of people were introduced to the benefits of Equine Assisted Therapy.

The Horse Sense EAGALA program addresses a variety of mental health and human development needs including self-esteem, behavioral issues, relapse prevention, depression, anxiety, relationship problems, family dynamics, trauma, abuse, anger management, conflict resolution, personal

development and other mental health and behavioral needs. It also addresses educational objectives such as working with business groups and leaders (e.g. team building), schools, and other groups and individuals with growth and learning needs.

Our next open day will be **Monday 27/02/2012 (14:00 – 19:00)** at the Horse Sense facility: 303 Waitohu Valley Road, RD, Otaki. (Look out for the red brick wall on the right – 3.03kms from the main road) No appointment Necessary. No payment is required, however a koha is welcome.

Further open days will be offered in 2012 – keep an eye on the website for details or changes.

Enquiries: Jenny [horsesensetrust@gmail.com](mailto:horsesensetrust@gmail.com) 021 348 995 [horsesensetrust@xtra.co.nz](http://horsesensetrust@xtra.co.nz)

Petro [petrobooyesen@gmail.com](mailto:petrobooyesen@gmail.com) 021 049 4418 Scheduled sessions at the regular fee are available.

[www.horsesense.org.nz](http://www.horsesense.org.nz)

Waikanae AFC (Soccer Club) -Trials for the 13 th grade JPL team will be on 18th & 25th Feb, Jim Cooke Park at 2pm - 3.30pm. For more details contact Charlie 027 561 2400.

**Whareroa Farm Open Day and Picnic Sunday February 19<sup>th</sup> 11am to 5pm Mackay's Crossing (opposite the entrance to QE Park))**  
**Bush and paddock walks streams and picnic areas Try the new mountain bike and tramping track up to Campbell's Mill Road**  
**Guided bike and walking trips Whareroa Guardians and Kapiti Mountain Bike Club members will be around to assist**

**Campbell Park Pedallers Picnic 23 Feb 4 pm onwards**  
Pre school, primary school and older people all invited so bring the family and your bikes and play on the jumps ramps and seesaws plus other skill and fun activities – a BikeWise activity  
Jan Nisbet and the Paekakariki Primary School Pedallers

**Anything Wheels ie Bikes scooters buggies sale or swap Paekakariki School Sunday 4 March**  
If you have something to sell bring it between 9 & 10 am and we will register it ( ie \$5 to have it on sale)  
Doors open to everyone for selling and buying 10 - 12  
Funds raised go to the Paekakariki Primary Pedallers group.  
If you have a bike you would like to donate please call Jan 905 4807 and we can collect it .  
Clear out the garage now. Please pass the info on to every one

Rafaella Garlick-Grice (MMus, DipABRSM)  
Experienced Piano and Theory teacher available to teach after school and weekends in Te Horo. From beginners through to advanced. Exams by arrangement. Please call 027 322 3335 anytime and I will get back to you.

### **Hoop Club Kapiti – Junior Basketball Coaching Programme**

**Restarts for Term 1 2012 Sunday 12 February and runs through to Sunday 1 April**  
**9.30 to 10.30am 5 to 8 year olds 10.30 to 11.30am 9 to 13 year olds**  
**11.30 to 1.30pm 13 to 17 year olds ALL NEW PLAYERS WELCOME**  
**Contact: Angelo Robinson 9040142 Email [ar.rimutaka@paradise.net.nz](mailto:ar.rimutaka@paradise.net.nz)**

### **UPCOMING AUDITIONS!**

#### **The Mad Hatters Tea Party**

The Academy is presenting The Mad Hatters Tea Party during the second week of the April school holidays:  
Production dates are: Tuesday 17, Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19 April.

Parts available:

Alice, White Rabbit, The Mad Hatter, March Hare, Door Mouse

#### **Auditions Saturday 18 February from 10.00am.**

Contact The Academy on [theacademy@xtra.co.nz](mailto:theacademy@xtra.co.nz) for an audition script!

Kittens available, one male, one female, from the Otaki Vet Centre. Please phone 3646941 if you are interested.

**TEAR OFF**

**Please return this to school via the clown's mouth.....**

**Do you.....**

**like or dislike purchasing the stationery through school.**

**Signed: \_\_\_\_\_**