

11 March 2020

"Snapshot" Interviews - Tuesday 24 March.

On Tuesday 24th March, we will be holding snap shot interviews for all children at Moerewa School. Each interview will be for a duration of 10 minutes starting at 2pm and finishing at 4pm.

We expect every child to have someone from their whanau attend the 'Snapshot' interviews. Teachers need to be able to explain and discuss your child's current level of schooling. All parents and whanau will have a shared understanding of your child's progress and goals. This will allow you to address how best the school and whanau can support your child at home and at school. Providing relevant up to date information to whanau will ensure your child is being advanced emotionally, socially and academically, and is making progress while they are at Moerewa School.

School will finish early at 1.30pm on Tuesday 24th March – but the buses will run at their usual times. If your child usually catches the bus, please feel free to come to school at any time from 2pm to meet with their teacher, and then take them home. Please sign your child off the bus list with the duty teacher in the staffroom, so that we know your child will not be travelling on the bus that afternoon

New Principal

Last Friday the Board of Trustees announced to staff the appointment of a new Principal. We will be welcoming back Maia Cooper as our Principal sometime early in Term 2. Maia was a teacher here some years ago and will be known to many already.

School Uniform

We have noticed that most of our whanau have worked really hard to make sure their children are in perfect uniform – so we think it is unfair to be let down by a few whanau who do not make the same effort. If you are having problems getting your child in the correct school uniform – please come to school to discuss this.

These are some questions we sometimes get asked and thought these answers may help other whanau who are thinking about asking the same questions;

- ***Can my child wear something different to school?***
Basically no, but we feel strongly that there is little point having a uniform if we are not going to stick to it!
- ***Can my child wear plain black shorts?***
No, they must be wearing the correct uniform shorts with the school logo on them.
- ***What if my child needs to wear something different one day (ie; if their shirt gets REALLY dirty one day!)***
Your child can wear something different in a real emergency!! They will need to bring a note to the school office explaining what that reason is and to be given a uniform pass for that day.
- ***Can my child wear a hat?***
Yes – as long as it is PLAIN black only!



- **What type of black shoes am I supposed to get?**

We want your child in black shoes that are appropriate for school. In summer we think sandals are best – but if you prefer shoes and socks now – these need to be black school shoes (ie; lace up OR plain black sneakers) and black socks. The black shoes must have no logo or have different colours. Plain black jandals are also allowed in summer.

- **My child feels the cold. Can he wear something warmer?**

In the winter months children may wear a long sleeve black skivvy under their uniform polo shirt.

Phone Messages

Please if you need to get a message to you child **do not** leave a phone message and just expect it to get delivered.

Aside from the fact that we can get very busy and can be away from our desks, we are finding that some phone messages are extremely hard to understand. I think this is more to do with today's wonderful technology than anything else but often the noise level over phones make messages hard to hear clearly.

So on the very odd occasion that you need to get messages through please just keep ringing until someone answers.

Blanket Consent forms

Attached to this newsletter is a Blanket Consent form that we are asking all whanau to complete and return. Most new enrolments this year will have completed this already so if you have already done so it is not necessary to complete again.

Please read through the form which explains what EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) events we would like a blanket consent for and which type of events we would notify you about prior to the event happening.

Please return to the school office ASAP.

Welcome to Maia in our
New Entrants class

**The New Entrants
class (Room 2)
are exploring
making new
colours from
mixing other
colours together.**



Braxton's very proud of his
pinch pot he made.



FREE dental care for under 18s

Kei raro iho i te tekau mā waru, kāhore he utu

Dental care is **FREE** from birth till your 18th
birthday, even if you are no longer at school.

Need a dental appointment for your child?
CALL 0800 MY TEETH (0800 698 3384)



**NORTHLAND DISTRICT
HEALTH BOARD**

Beach Trip





COMMUNITY HIP HOP WORKSHOPS

NORTHLAND

SUNDAY 15th MARCH 2020
WHANGAREI INTERMEDIATE
32 RUST AVENUE REGENT WHANGAREI

10am Chris Teava and Sheldon



FREE EVENT



**KIWI KIDS
CAN COOK**

vegetables.co.nz



WE ARE SEARCHING FOR NEW ZEALAND'S HOTTEST JUNIOR CHEF!

Do you like the taste of good food?

Have you got a favourite dish
you love to cook?

Are you in a Northland School
and in Year 1-8?

If the answer is yes, we want you!



To be held at:

The Opua School Easter Gala
Saturday 4th April 2020
Opua, Bay of Islands

Heaps of Fun
Fantastic Prizes
An Amazing Experience

REPRESENT YOUR SCHOOL IN A FUN COOKING COMPETITION!

The 2020 *Kiwi Kids Can Cook* is sponsored by vegetables.co.nz.

Competitors are required to have ONE recipe to cook on the day.

It must be a savoury dish that contains at least three fresh NZ grown vegetables.

For more details and the entry form go to:

www.nzchefs.org.nz/Competitions

Chilltech
The Right Temperature

BEACH 2 BASIN

Fun Run/Walk and play on the way
15 March

\$5 entries

www.sportnorthlandevents.co.nz



**Fabulous Affordable Family Fun!!
A True Kiwi Circus Experience**

Mangawhai – Mangawhai Domain

- ★ Friday 28th February – 7.30pm
- ★ Saturday 29th February – 11.00am & 7.30pm
- ★ Sunday 1st March – 2.00pm

Dargaville – Selwyn Park, Carrington Street

- ★ Friday 6th March – 7.30pm
- ★ Saturday 7th March – 11.00am & 7.30pm
- ★ Sunday 9th March – 2.00pm

Whangarei – A&P Showgrounds, Ngawha Springs Road

- ★ Friday 13th March – 7.30pm
- ★ Saturday 14th March – 11.00am & 7.30pm
- ★ Sunday 15th March – 2.00pm

- ★ **Beautiful Big Top**
- ★ **A Great Time Guaranteed!**
- ★ **Tickets start \$18 Child \$23 Adult**
- ★ **3 years and under free**

Avoid Disappointment - book online at
www.circusaotearoa.co.nz

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by purchase before the show.
ce open from 10am on show

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**Affordable fun for the
whole family,
90 action packed
awe inspiring minutes of:**

- ★ **brave burly boys**
- ★ **beautiful aerial angels**
- ★ **hula hoop honeys**
- ★ **skillful jugglers**
- ★ **colourful clowning**
- ★ **and awesome acrobats**

★ TICKETS ★

BLEACHERS – Our value option

Stadium style flat aluminium bench seats set to
the side of the ring.
Children 0-3 yrs - Free
Children 4-14 yrs - \$18
Adults 15 yrs plus - \$23

ELEVATED – Our mid range seats

Stadium style molded plastic individual seats set to
the centre of the ring.
Offering comfort and better viewing.
Children 0-3 yrs - Free
Children 4-14 yrs - \$23
Adults 15 yrs plus - \$28

RINGSIDE – The name says it all

Individual plastic molded seats set at ground level
on the very edge of the action, a must for true circus
aficionados. Sorry but due to limited space,
we unfortunately can not offer free children seats here.

Children 0-14 yrs - \$28
Adults 15 yrs plus - \$33

Whanau, family & group discount is **adults pay kids prices**, ask at box office.
Please feel free to inspect seating before purchasing tickets
Contact 022 650 5325.

★ **SORRY NO EFTPOS - CASH ONLY** ★





Blanket Consent form (Added to the school enrolment forms)

Education Outside The Classroom (EOTC) is the name given to all events and activities that occur outside the classroom, both on school grounds and off site. This includes sports.

Our school believes in using a range of environments and experiences to enhance our students' learning.

We have ready access to the beach, rivers, mountains, and the bush in our area and beyond. We are also close to various built environments in our community. These areas are rich learning environments for our students both in and out of school. They need to learn how to be safe. Our school also values the concept of providing students with opportunities. Thus some of the learning for students occurs beyond the school site and this document is seeking your consent for your child/ren to participate in such learning

All EOTC activity categories require staff to undertake an analysis of the risks, and identify the management strategies required to eliminate, isolate and minimise the risks. Emergency procedures are also in place.

The Ministry of Education **EOTC guidelines** identify four EOTC activity types, each with recommended types of parental/caregiver consent. In brief they are:

Level of Event	Description	Examples	Type of consent
A	On-site – in school grounds I. Lower risk environments II. Higher risk environments*	<i>sports day, activities, painting, measuring for maths.</i> school pool	I. No consent sought or blanket consent II. Separate consent sought for each event or Programme
B	Offsite events in the local community occurring within school time I. Lower risk environments II. Higher risk environments*	<i>museum, art gallery, gardens, sports and recreation events. Marae visits & tangi.</i> aquatic environments (river, beach), cross-country-run training	I. Blanket consent at enrolment II. Separate consent sought for each event or Programme
C	Off-site events - finishing after school finishes I. Lower risk environments II. Higher risk environments*	<i>farm visit; day hike in a local park or in local bush; city visit; train, bus, or ferry trip; swimming in pools.</i> skiing, waka ama, rock climbing, swimming in natural environments (beach, river), field trip involving chemicals or heavy machinery.	I. Blanket consent at enrolment II. Separate consent sought for each event or Programme
D	Off-site residential overnight events I. Lower risk environments II. Higher risk environments*	<i>trip to another region; sports tournaments; field trips to city environments, historic sites, & "front country" (having well-formed tracks).</i> eg: overseas trips; field trips into natural water, bush, or alpine environments, or other hazardous environments (for example, where chemicals, heavy machinery, or other hazards are present); outdoor education camps; outdoor pursuit journeys in the "back country" (for example, biking, tramping, canoeing).	I. Separate consent II. Separate consent sought for each event or Programme

*Involves risk assessed to be greater than that associated with the average family activity.

Blanket Permission for Education Outside The Classroom (EOTC)

I/we give my consent for my child/children _____

☐ to participate in low risk school EOTC activities as described in Level A, B and C of the table. I understand that I will be advised of low-risk off site activities (Level B and C) and I must contact the school if I have any concerns or choose to decline permission. I also give permission for my child to travel in cars or buses to participate in these activities, and understand that it is school policy to require drivers to be licensed, vehicles to be registered and warranted and car passengers to be wearing seatbelts.

☐ I/we have provided the school with up to date medical, supervision and learning information through the enrolment form and will make every endeavour to keep this information current.

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Date: _____