

NEWSLETTER



Speech Competition

Last Friday we had an awesome day of speeches! Every student presented a speech and they did a fantastic job! I would like to say a massive thank you to all the parents and whanau who attended the speech competition.

Congratulations to Nathan Cave who won the Years 7&8 competition and Lucy Allomes who won the Years 1-6 competition. Nathan and Lucy will be representing the school at the Woodville Lions competition this evening. Good luck for tonight's competition, Nathan and Lucy!



Week 7, Term 3, 2016.

Tēnā koutou,

You may have heard in the news lately, about a proposed initiative by the government called COOLs. An interesting choice of acronym I know but it stands for Communities Of Online Learning. The proposal outlines that in the future, students may learn from home through online means. On one side, some would argue that digital teaching and learning has long been a part of modern education and that creating a future education system that isn't bound by bricks and mortar makes sense. On the other side, opponents would argue that the proposed initiative misses the point and that without qualified teachers designing, guiding and delivering, the method of online learning it is unlikely to help children learn.

On the teacher only day last week Claire, Ruth and I attended a conference in Wellington to listen to Carol Dweck present about why students succeed and how to foster their success. Carol is an internationally acclaimed researcher and presenter. The majority of her research looks at two types of mindsets, fixed and growth. Carol was a fascinating speaker and we found the day to be very worthwhile and thought provoking. If you would like to find out more about growth mindsets there is an interesting video here - www.youtube.com/watch?v=hiiEeMN7vbQ Developing growth mindsets with our students is certainly something we will be investigating further as a staff.

Have an awesome week.

Ngā mihi nui,

Simon

Science Fair

The students have now completed their science and technology investigations and are looking forward to the school fair this Friday 9 September. Some really interesting investigations have been carried out, so please visit the Kea classroom from 2pm Friday afternoon to check out all the hard work. Feel free to join us for a shared lunch at 1pm.

School Calendar

Sep 8 - Technology Yr 7/8

Sep 9 - Science Fair & Shared Lunch 1pm

Sep 13 - School Preparedness Session 10.30am

Sep 19 - Bush schools social dance practice

Sep 21 - Bush Speech contest

Sep 22 - Technology Yr7/8
- Bush Schools Social Dance

A full school calendar is available online at:

<http://kumeroa.school.nz>

Virtue

This week's virtue is flexibility.

Congratulations to:

* Tara Taylor who received the Principal's Award for week 6.

* Jaimee McKinlay, Thomas Mead, Kees Matthews who received virtue awards for week 6.

Term Dates 2017

Term 1 31st Jan - 13 Apr

Term 2 1st May - 7th July

Term 3 24th July - 29th Sept

Term 4 16th Oct - 15th Dec



C3B4ME The Fantails have been working towards independent learning. The pictures relate to 'see a buddy/friend', 'can I do it myself' and 'see a classmate' before seeing the teacher.



Sports Results

Football Prizegiving

Our teams played fun games against the parents to end the season.

Woodville football squad are going to be playing in a tournament. The following people have been chosen to represent Woodville; Tara Taylor, Hannah Fountaine, Tim Cresswell, Zachary Ball, Paige Taylor and Kaiden Ball. Paige Taylor won the Player of the Season Woodville Service Centre came first in their division. Mrs McNair's team won their division.

Rugby

Bush Under 7s played in the Marist tournament and got second.

Bush Under 8s played in the Marist tournament, playing five games in the pool play, before going through to the finals. Manawatu Under 12 Reps played and lost to Dannevirke U13s 18-12.

Hockey

Bush 2 played and lost to Bush1 8-0.
 Bush 2 played and lost to College Street 13-0.
 Bush Seniors played and beat Te Kawa 4-2.

Bus Runs

We are very pleased to have two buses back on the road again! Hamish has really enjoyed his first couple of runs. This is a reminder to please be ready to go for the bus 5 minutes before the bus is due at your gate. Once again I would like to thank everyone for their patience during the disrupted service.



Kidney Kids

On Monday, Bronson brought some of his fantastic lego collection to school to display in the library for the afternoon. The purpose of the display was to raise money for Kidney Kids. The money raised from the afternoon will go to support children who suffer from kidney disease. Thank you to everyone who donated money to attend this event.



Tararua Trolley Derby

This year Kumeroa-Hopelands School will be entering the Tararua Trolley Derby. The Years 5-8 students have been busy investigating what makes a fast trolley and have been designing prototypes for our school trolley as part of our current Planes, Trains and Automobiles technology inquiry.

If you have any parts, reasonable sized wheels - preferably old pram or wheelchair wheels, steering racks, brakes etc that you would be happy to donate to the school could you please ring the office and let Donna know. Also, we will need some adults to help us build the trolley. If you are available on a Monday, Tuesday or Thursday afternoon from 1.30pm could you please let Donna know as we would love to have you join us.

Kumeroa Hopelands School Pet Day - Monday 7th November.

Categories are calves, lambs, dogs and other pets. Other events that we will be having this year will be Miniature garden scene, Decorate a gumboot or farm footwear, cake decorating, cupcake decorating. More details about pet day will come home closer to the time.

Pre School and Home Schoolers are welcome to join us for this event. Can all Pre School & Home School entrants please register with the school office by 27th October.

Tararua Vet Services are offering free vaccinations and docking for pet lambs for pet day. Lambs vaccinated with Lamb vacc, which immunises against Tetanus and Pulpy Kidney.