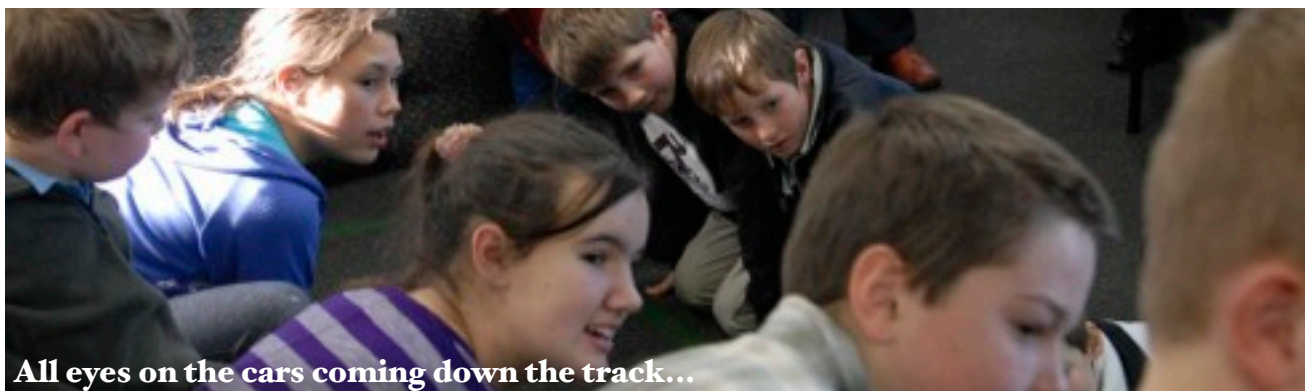


NEWSLETTER



All eyes on the cars coming down the track...

Week 10, Term 2, 2012.

Kia ora koutou,

Our technology learning for the term came to a close yesterday with a great fun filled day of races. There was a bit of everything during the day; laughter, excitement, disappointment, crashes, flips, flying wheels and plenty of noise! What a great effort from all of the students, teachers and parents to get the cars designed, created and ready for the day.

Congratulations to the following:

- Fantail Champion: Sarah Coker
- Tui Champion: Harry Blatchford
- Kea Champion: James Green
- Overall Student Champion: James Green
- Parent Champion: Leonard Carroll
- Grand Champion: Leonard Carroll

This Friday is the last day for Mrs Attwood as she is off to take up a permanent position at Eketahuna School. On behalf of the staff and students I would like to acknowledge Maryann's dedication over the past term and her positive impact on the school and Kea class. All the very best in your new role!

Have a happy a safe holidays everyone and we will see you back here next term!

Ngā mihi nui, Nick

Calendar

June 28

Year 7/8 Technology

June 29

Community Assembly @ 12pm

June 29

Last day of Term 2

July 16

First day of Term 3

July 25

KHS Fundraising Group @ 6:30pm

July 26

Year 7/8 Technology

June 31

ICAS English

August 2

Australian Maths Competition

A full school calendar is available online at:

<http://kumeroa.school.nz>

STUDENT VOICE

Our Year 8's continue to share their experiences from the National Young Leaders Conference:

On the 29th of May the Year 8's went over to Palmerston North to attend NYLD (National Young Leaders Day). We had several different speakers. Their speeches were very inspiring and made me think twice about my future.

I learnt that what you look like, act like or sound like doesn't mean that you can't do anything.

As I thought about those inspirational speakers, I came up with some goals in life:

- *Give everything a go*
- *Live life to the best of your ability*
- *Travel the world.*

Just before morning tea the presenters ran a game where some children had to go up and taste some food with tabasco sauce and wasabi on it, it was really funny to see their faces.

My favourite speaker was Cam Calkoen. Cam has Cerebral Palsy and he is so positive about his life. Cam's favourite word is AWESOME he carries a hunk of metal around that says AWESOME. My favourite saying of his is, "I'm disabled but filled with ability".

All the speakers were inspirational and I learnt a lot.

Thank you heaps to Mr Rate, Mrs Cannon and Mrs Shannon for taking us.

By Sophie

SCHOOL NOTICES

Whizz Car Races: Do have any great photos or movies?

If you were present on our race day yesterday and you took any great photos or movie footage we would love to see it! Please send the good ones along to Nick at principal@kumeroa.school.nz

Congratulations

Congratulations to Eleanor who has successfully made it to the under 13 Manawatu A rep hockey team! Fantastic news Eleanor, all the very best for the rep season ahead.

Miniball and Basketball

Thank you to those who returned the EOI for Year 5/6 miniball and Year 7/8 basketball. Unfortunately there was not enough interest to make up any teams.

Thanks!

Big thanks to Michelle Taylor who has been busy stamping a huge pile of new readers for the school, and Janene Cave for attacking the oven in the staffroom! Awesome!

Pool Keys

If you have one of the pool keys can you please return it to school.

School Shirts and Jackets

Please return all school shirts and jackets if you have not already done so as we need to complete a stock take of all items.. The only students still requiring a sports uniform after the end of term are the senior netballers. Thanks for your cooperation!

Community Assembly & Shared Lunch Reminder

Reminder that we are having a community assembly in the Kumeroa Hall this Friday @ 12pm.

This is an opportunity to celebrate some of the learning that has taken place over the term.

Please bring a plate and join us for a shared lunch after the assembly. This is a great opportunity to network with other parents and school staff and to discuss the term that was and the term ahead.

Even though there is a shared lunch it is still a good idea to pack a light lunch for your child/children to ensure they have had enough to eat.

The assembly will start at 12:00pm followed by the shared lunch at 1:00pm. We always need a bit of help getting the lunch organised so if you are able to lend a hand that would be awesome!

Whizz Car Challenges

We have a number of spare CO₂ cylinders that are available for students and parents to use for some extra race challenges.

Priority will be given to those students who were absent on Tuesday.

So, weather permitting, we will set up a track on Friday afternoon after the assembly for those who are interested in having another go!

If that sounds like you then we will see you there with your car!

Mid-Year Written Reports

The mid-year written reports will be coming home tomorrow for each student. These reports will show how your child is achieving in relation to the National Standards. The report will be presented using a completely revised format from last year.

Newsletter Checklist. I have...

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| ✓ Remembered not to send food to heat in the microwave for lunch. | ✓ Put 13th September into your diary for our PreP Market Day |
| ✓ Listened to my child read this week! | ✓ Organised food for our shared lunch on Friday after the Community Assembly |
| ✓ Said thank you to your child's teacher! | |

With the eldest or only child's report will be a Report Information Booklet to further explain the reports, their purpose and the processes involved in writing them.

Additionally we are asking for your feedback on the whole reporting to parents process including reports, parent/teacher conferences and portfolios. This will be in the form of a questionnaire to complete and return, or by filling in an online form.

I strongly encourage you to make use of the questionnaire so that your voice is heard in order for us to better personalise the reporting process to your needs.

Every reporting to parents questionnaire has a unique code on the front page. When returned or entered online, this code will go into the draw for a prize!

ICAS Test Update

We have received an apology from the test organisers regarding the test papers for Spelling and Writing not being sent. The good news is that they have now sent the test papers and we will complete the tests early in Term 3. Revised dates will be published in the newsletter.

Netball Draw

Week 10, June 28, 2012.

- KHS Pulse vs Hillcrest A, Round 2, Court 2, 4:30pm

- KHS Fernettes vs Pahiatua Magic, Round 1, Court 4, 3:40pm

Reminder for JK, SK, C Grade teams, there is prize giving, 5:30pm in the pavilion.

Sport Results

A roundup of the sport from last week and over the weekend involving KH kids:

- Hockey Under 9s: Lost 4-3
- Hockey Under 11s: Lost 2-1
- Hockey Under 13s: Won 4-0
- Hockey Ruahine Div 1: Won 4-0
- Hockey Kairanga: Won 6-0
- Soccer Woodville Int: Lost 4-3
- Soccer Woodville Seniors: Lost 3-1
- Rugby Bush Under 8s: Won 60-0
- Rugby Bush Under 10s: Lost 15-20
- Rugby Bush Under 11s: Lost 19-20
- Netball Reps A: Played 5, lost 5 but improving even more with some very close games!
- Netball Reps B: Played 4, lost 4 but improving heaps with some very close games too!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Quiz Night

Fundraiser for Woodville Playcentre @ St James Hall (Richardson St, Woodville):

Saturday June 30th, 7-9pm.

\$10 per table of 4 people.

Supper and Prizes. A fun night out!!!!

Contact Jackie 376 4611 for any queries.