

# NEWSLETTER



Pet Day: Winners in the Junior Calves Leading section.

## Week 4, Term 4, 2012.

Kia ora koutou,

Wow! What a fantastic day we had on Monday celebrating our rural identity and tradition with this year's pet day.

The weather turned it on, the children were amazing and the community support was just awesome!!

The day could not have happened without the support of many people. A big thanks to:

- Our judges: Sam (FMG), Danni (Tararua Vet Services), Robyn, Bob, Val, Irene and Rosemary
- Our stewards for the day: Kathy, Bex and Denise
- Other helpers: Angus, Sandra and Neil
- The certificate production team: Mel, Erica and Jacqui
- Our School Fundraising Group
- ANZ Bank sponsorship

Please join me in congratulating all students and particularly the following champions:

- Champion Lamb: Sophie Exeter
- Champion Calf: Lauren Shannon
- Champion Dog: Ethan Metcalfe

A full list of results is on the school web site.

Ngā mihi nui, Nick.

### Calendar

#### November 8

Technology Year 7/8

Bush Districts Boy & Girl  
Agricultural Club Group Day

#### November 9

School Assembly @ 2.15pm  
Dannevirke & Districts Lamb  
& Calf Day

#### November 12

Tararua College Yr 8 Testing  
Digi Awards @ 6.30pm

#### November 13

BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm

#### November 14

School Photos  
Tararua Young Cyclist

#### November 16

Small Schools Athletics

#### November 21

ICT Evening

A full school calendar is  
available online at:

<http://kumeroa.school.nz>



## COMMUNITY CONSULTATION UPDATE

### School Values

During last term's series of consultation meetings you were asked to describe the values, skills, attributes and behaviours you wanted our students to have when they left Kumeroa-Hopelands School as a Year 8 student.

Your responses have been collated into the word cloud pictured above. The bigger the word, the more often it was used by you to describe what you wanted our students to be.

Taking this graphic it shows that the following seven values could form the basis of the 'Kumeroa Kid':

- Motivated
- Reliable
- Confident
- Proud
- Relates well to others
- Reflective
- Empathetic

What do you think? Are these the attributes you want your child to aim for? Are these the values that will underpin the learning at Kumeroa-Hopelands School? What's missing?

We value your thoughts and continued feedback! Please let any of the Board or staff know your thoughts!!

## SCHOOL NOTICES

### School Photos

A reminder that these are taking place on Wednesday 14th November. If you have not already done so, please return the form asap to the office.

### Small Schools Athletics

This event is taking place on Friday 16th November at Bush Sports Ground in Pahiatua. We will require parent help as each age group needs to be supervised by an adult. Please complete the form at the end of this newsletter and return to the office asap to assist with planning and transportation for the day. Thanks!

**Working Bee**

We have scheduled a working bee at school to get a few jobs done both inside and out. Lock in the morning of **Saturday 1st December**. Many hands make light work so look forward to seeing you there. More info to come.

**ICT Evening**

On Wednesday 21st November at 6.30pm the school will be hosting an information evening for parents about how we use ICT tools within our classes. More information to come but put this date into your diaries now!

**Prize Giving Cups/Trophies**

If you won a cup or trophy at last year's prize giving, can you return it to school.

**Bus Contributions**

Bus Contribution invoices for Term 4 have been sent out. As the end of the term will be on us before we know it, we would appreciate prompt payment of all outstanding contributions.

Thank you to those who have already paid and for your continued cooperation!

**Sports Uniforms**

All Year 5-8 students need to return their uniforms for the 7-aside tournament asap. These need to be given to Mr Wagener to check off. Thanks!

**Year 8 Testing**

A reminder that this is happening this Monday 12th November. Parents are

responsible for getting their children to and from Tararua College.

**Scholastic Book Club**

Please return your orders with payment to school by 13th Nov. Cheques to be made payable to Scholastic New Zealand. Remember to let Mel know if you're ordering books for birthday or Christmas gifts!

**COMMUNITY NOTICES****House for Rent in Kumeroa**

4 bedroom house, next door to school & college bus at gate, single garage, pets ok, \$130pw. Phone Ian 376 5559 or Zena 376 5292.

**Bush Districts Boys & Girls Agricultural Club**

Combined Group Day Thursday 8th Nov at Hobsons Horse Arena, Pahiatua. Judging will begin at 10am sharp. We have a fantastic number of students participating this year! A reminder that school uniform is to be worn on the day. Good luck to you all!

**Dannevirke & Districts Lamb & Calf Day**

Friday 9th Nov at Dannevirke A&P Showgrounds (entry off Neptune St). Registration from 9.15am. Judging will start at 10.00am. Please let Mel know in the office if your child is attending this day and therefore won't be at school. Once again, school uniform is to be worn. Good luck!

**Newsletter Checklist. I have...**

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| ✓ Returned School Photo Form           | ✓ Returned Mt Bruce class visit expression of interest if you are keen to help |
| ✓ Returned fundraising chocolate money | ✓ Sent \$4 to school for the Mt Bruce visit                                    |



**Viking Gala**

Saturday 10th November 10am - 1pm at the Dannevirke South School. Lots to see and do - real life viking, viking cookie decorating, viking colouring in competition (go to [www.dannevirkesouth.school.nz](http://www.dannevirkesouth.school.nz) and download the picture and information). Face painting, fingernail fashion painting, water slide, paint ball, pony rides, pet zoo, garage sale, cake stall, sweets and much much more!!! See you there!

**Chalk Educated Toys Fundraiser**

A few weeks ago we sent home catalogues for the Chalk Fundraiser that is being run by the Kumeroa-Hopelands Playgroup. If you are wanting to place an order, please get these into Mel at the School Office by Friday 23rd November. If you require a catalogue/order form, phone Donna Timmons on 376 4663.

**Abacus Fundraiser**

The Kumeroa-Hopelands Playgroup are also selling personalised calendars, diaries and cards. Attached are order forms- please get these back to Mel in the school office by

Friday 16th November. For personalised drawings, paper can be obtained from Mel in the School Office. Call Donna Timmons on 376 4663 if you require more information.



**SMALL SCHOOL ATHLETICS**

**FRIDAY NOVEMBER 16th at Bush Sports Park, Pahiatua**

- I require transportation for my child to be organised (please send \$2 per child to school if you tick this option)
- I can provide transport for \_\_\_\_\_ children in my car.
  - I have a current VVoF and Registration
  - I have a current drivers licence
- I will take my child directly to Bush Sports Park
- I will take my child home from Bush Sports Park
- I am able to help with the children

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**All students need to return this form asap.**