

NEWSLETTER



Eel feeding at Mt Bruce.

Week 8, Term 4, 2012.

Kia ora koutou,

Firstly a note of congratulations to all of our athletes who competed at the Bush Athletics last week. Our students performed extremely well and featured strongly in the results. When the confirmed placings are received we will let you know exactly how we went!

Also a huge thank you to the parents and community members who turned out for our working bee at the weekend. All four majors jobs are now ticked off the list which is a great accomplishment. A working bee for Term 1 next year is already in the pipeline so keep an eye out for that!

Lastly, I am really excited to let you know that Kumeroa-Hopelands School is the winner of the Tararua iMove competition and also the winner of the Bronze section of the iMove for all schools in the Manawatu/Tararua area. This was based on the percentage of children who participated which was 100% for us! A \$50 voucher and a wonderful trophy were presented to the school today.

Ngā mihi nui, Nick.



Calendar

December 6

Technology Yr 7/8
Reports & Portfolios out

December 7

Minor Sports Yr 1/2

December 10

KiwiSport Cricket

December 11

Art Intensive
Helpers Morning Tea

December 12

Green Card Celebration

December 13

Prizegiving

December 14

Last Day of Term 4

January 28

First Day of Term 1

A full school calendar is available online at:

<http://kumeroa.school.nz>

SCHOOL NOTICES

Congratulations!

To Eleanor and a number of other Kumeroa-Hopelends students who competed in the Fielding Pet day at the weekend. Eleanor won a first in care and attention, second in dairy type and third in leading. Finally she was awarded Champion Calf and the Lancaster Shield for the person with the most overall points. Awesome!



Congratulaions also...

To Rachel Cannon whose Ashhurst Pony club team of 5 competed in the "Area Games" and came first! By winning it, this earns them the right to compete at Zone Games in Stratford next February! Great effort Rachel!

Cricket

To follow on from the successful skills training, Manawatu Cricket are organising a school based cricket competition in the new year in Pahiataua,

(likely to be after school on a week day). Our school is entering a team. If your child is interested, please let Mel in the office know. More information will follow.

School Sports Uniforms

Please return *all* sports uniforms asap.

Library Books, Readers & Journals

Please return *all* outstanding library books, readers and journals to school asap, thanks!

New Water Fountain

Thanks to the KHS Fundraising Group and the Student Council for collaborating together and funding a new water fountain. It looks great in bright purple and is proving popular with the students. A great motivator for students to stay hydrated in the warmer weather!



Helpers Morning Tea

On Tuesday next week at 11:00am we will be holding a helper's morning tea to

recognise those parents and community members who have supported the school throughout the year. An invitation will be sent out separately but if we accidentally miss you out, please come along and join in the celebration!!

Prizegiving

This is scheduled for 7pm on Thursday December 13. It is expected that *all* students attend this event. Supper will follow the prize giving so please bring a plate to share.

Last Day of School

Is the 14th December. School will finish at 1pm. Details of bus arrangements will be in next week's newsletter.

2013 Bus Lists

There is a form at the end of the newsletter for all students on either the Bluff or Hopelands bus runs. Please complete this form and return to school asap so that runs can be confirmed for the beginning of next year. With a large number of Year 8 students moving on there is room for movement between the runs. Also, at this stage there will only need to be one Hopelands Road run. Get in touch with Nick with any questions.

Student Reports & Portfolios

These will be coming home tomorrow. Keep an eye out for them in your child's bag. Any follow up conversations regarding the content of these should be

with the classroom teacher first and foremost.

Woodville Christmas Parade

Clint Worthington is organising a school float for this Saturday's Woodville Christmas Parade. If you would like to be a part of this, give him a call on 376 5331.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

School Pool

The swimming season is now upon us and the school pool is ready to be used. For anyone interested, you are able to purchase a key for the use of the pool over summer. Keys can be obtained from the school office at a charge of \$30 with \$10 refunded when the key is returned at the end of the season.

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.

Woodville Lions Club Pavement Drawing Competition

Friday 7th December 2012.

From 6.00pm, judging & prizes at 7.00pm. FREE ENTRY.

Open to all local children in 3 sections: preschool - 7 years, 8 - 10 years, 11 - 13 years. One participant per square. All entries must be in chalk provided. You must be present at 7.00pm to win a prize.

Registration on the night at the band rotunda, Fountaine Square. Enquiries to woodvillelions@hotmail.com

Newsletter Checklist. I have...

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| ✓ Returned 2013 Yr 6/7/8 Optimist Yachting form | ✓ Let Mel know if interested in playing cricket next year. |
| ✓ Returned any outstanding library books, readers and journals. | ✓ Got your pool key for a looong hot summer! |

Summer Reading Programme

Registrations are now open for the Summer Reading Programme at the Woodville Library. There is 'The Great Book Mystery' for 2 year olds through to Year 6 and the 'Amazing Super Colossal Steam Powered Read o Tron' for Years 7 & 8. I-Read runs from 10th December to 18th January.

South Tararua Plunket Fundraiser

"NEW YEARS EVE PARTY"
31st December, 8pm, Pahiatua Town Hall. R18, Full Bar available – Eftpos. LIVE BAND. \$25 Tickets @ BNZ Bank Supper provided, gold coin courtesy van.

Christmas Carol Service

A Christmas Carol service is to be held at St Andrew's Community Church, Kumeroa, on Sunday 16th December at 7.00pm. Following the service there will be a cup of tea in the hall. Please bring a small plate and come along for some Christmas Cheer. Everyone welcome.

Makuri School Trail Ride Fundraiser

Sunday 3rd February @ Tuscan Hills Farm, 1724 Pahiatua-Pongaroa Rd, Makuri. Sign-in: 8.00am onwards. Start: 10.00am until 3.00pm Main track (with 'A' loops), Junior track, Midget track (for learners and inexperienced riders only) – a fantastic day of riding for all levels of experience. Delicious lunch plus extras in lunch bag included. \$5 lunch for spectators. \$30 per rider, \$15 per 11yr under. Family concession available. Helmets and correct footwear compulsory. No gumboots/passengers/dogs. Phone 3763818.

Have you visited the school website lately? <http://kumeroa.school.nz>



2013 BUS RUNS

Please return this form to the school office asap if your child is on the Hopelands or Bluff Road runs.

Please place a 1 or 2 in the boxes to indicate your preference. (1 = 1st choice, 2 = 2nd).

Earlier Bluff Road run.

Later Hopelands Road run

Student name/s: _____

If you are hoping to change runs, every effort will be made to accommodate your preference but no guarantees can be given!