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BERHAMPORE SCHOOL – TE WHĀNAU O TE RITO O TE HARAKEKE SINCE 1915 – EVER ONWARDS

From the Principal's Desk

I have seen some exhilarated - and tired - faces after an exciting EOTC week last week! This was the first time our EOTC week was rolled out across the school from Year 0-6 with a range of learning experiences outside of the classroom, including the Year 6 camp. So many people invested their time and effort to make it a rich learning experience for the kids, thank you to all parents and community members who lent their time and a massive thank you to all our teachers who went over and above. Those who went on camp spent countless hours preparing and were 'on call' the whole time. Your huge contribution is highly valued.

Thinking about rich learning experiences is at the top of our minds at the moment as we navigate a post National Standards education system. We feel it's important children's learning is nurtured not measured. We are looking at how we approach the curriculum and ensuring emphasis is moved from constant assessment. We are also discussing how we report to parents and caregivers so they can easily understand their child's progress and will be looking to find out what you find helpful.

Please come to the information evening we're holding at 6 o'clock Monday 19th March. Jannie van Hees is talking about the importance of talk with children and what you can do to support their learning.

I want to thank Rosanna Rahman & Toro Hill for donating a set of bicycle helmets to our school. These parent noticed a bunch of kids didn't have access to helmets last year and wanted to ensure all Berhampore School children can learn to ride safely. Thank you for your generosity and for taking the initiative.

Ngā mihi nui, Mark



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Room 5 - EOTC Week

Room five loved Education Outside the Classroom week. We really enjoyed our walk from Mt Victoria to Waitangi Park, although there were some tired legs by the end of it!



Room 8 - Gingerbread Witches

Room 8 were inspired after reading *The Witch in the Cherry Tree* by Margaret Mahy. At the back of the book we discovered a recipe to make your own Gingerbread Witches.

We worked hard to mix the ingredients and make the dough. It was quite tricky to cut the witches out using a paper template and lift the witches onto the baking trays.

The Gingerbread Witches tasted very spicy, gingery and deliciously sweet. We enjoyed them with some milk while they were still warm! What a great day!



Te Ao Māori

Kei te ako reo Māori mātou! We are learning Te Reo Māori!

This year at Berhampore School Jessie is teaching Te Reo Māori to everyone. Even the teachers are learning! Each Monday we learn new waiata (songs), karakia (blessings/chants), whakataukī (proverbial sayings) kupu hou (new words) and rerenga (sentences).

At the moment we are all composing our pepeha. What is a pepeha? Here is what it says in the School Journal;

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A pepeha is a way to introduce yourself. It tells other people who you are and where you come from. A pepeha can be written, but usually, you will stand up and say your pepeha in front of everyone at a formal occasion. A pepeha includes names, places, and events that explain where you are from, which family you belong to, and where you fit within your larger family.

A pepeha also explains how your family is connected to your local environment. We value the environment because it provides food, water, and shelter – the things that all people need to live. A pepeha is a way of showing that you value the local environment and the important connection you have with the natural world. ”



Here is what a pepeha could look like, but we are all different and so are our pepeha. And remember, everyone can have a pepeha, Māori and non-Māori alike.

Ko Aoraki te maunga (Aoraki is the mountain)

Ko Waitaki te awa (Waitaki is the river)

Ko Takitimu te waka (Takitumu is my/the waka/canoe)

Ko Kai Tahu te iwi (Kai Tahu is my iwi/tribe)

Ko Hāteatea te hapū (Hāteatea is my sub-iwi)

Ko Moeraki te marae (Moeraki is my marae)

Ko Jessie tōku whaea (Jessie is my mother)

Ko Mara tōku matua (Mara is my father)

Ko Kaahuia tōku ingoa (My name is Kaahuia)

Ask your tamaiti (child) or tamariki (children) what they have been learning, maybe they have something to teach you?

Piwakawaka - Art & Sports

In Piwakawaka we did some self portraits using pastels. We think we look cool!



At Asb I like to listen to the teacher and play games, like stuck in the mud. I am learning to catch.

Isaac

We go to ASB to do sport. I am good at throwing. I like to do running.

Ezekiel

I like having a buddy on the way to ASB. I like playing with my friends. I like the catching games we play.

Lia



Board of Trustees Update

OUR NEXT MEETING:

MONDAY 19 MARCH
7PM IN THE STAFFROOM
ALL WELCOME

At its February meeting, the Board farewelled Jason Gush, who is leaving as he no longer has children at Berhampore School. The Board thanks Jason for his sage comments and input during his time on the Board. As Jason is an elected parent trustee, the Board is seeking expressions of interest from parents/caregivers to replace Jason. If you are interested, please email or talk to Mark or any Board member.

The Board nominated Giovanni Tiso to be the chair this year. Giovanni accepted the position. Thanks Giovanni!

Last year the Board agreed to locate the new classroom in the adventure play area, subject to obtaining funding to build new play structures in other areas of the school. However, as this funding has not been secured, the Board has now decided to progress building the classroom on the Stanley Street court.

Whānau Army Update

This term we have two fundraising activities - have a look below for some more information on what's coming up and how you can help.

BERHAMPORE NURSERY OPEN DAY - 17 MARCH

We have again been offered the opportunity to run a sausage sizzle & bake stall at the very popular Wellington City Council nursery open day. The open day is 10am-2pm Saturday the 17th of March at the council nursery just around the corner from school on Emerson Street. If you are able to help with this – either by volunteering on the school table or BBQ for part of the day or by contributing some baking - please get in touch with us whanauarmy@gmail.com.

Key Whānau Army Dates 2018

TERM 1	
March Meeting	Monday 26 March 7:15pm Staffroom (All welcome)
Nursery Open Day	Saturday 17 March
Autumn Knack	Saturday 7 April
TERM 2	
May Meeting	Monday 7 May 7:15pm
June Meeting	Tuesday 5 June 7:15pm
Midwinter Knack	Saturday 16 June
Matariki Hāngī	Friday 29 June

TERM 3	
July Meeting	Monday 30 July 7:15pm
August Meeting	Monday 20 August 7:15pm
World Food Fair	Friday 31 August
Spring Retro Knack	Saturday 15 September
September Meeting	Monday 24 September 7:15pm
TERM 4	
November Meeting	Monday 5 November 7:15pm
Kristmas Knack	Friday 24 & Saturday 25 Nov
December Meeting	Monday 4 December 7:15pm

Whānau Army Update

AUTUMN KNACK - 7 APRIL

The Knack craft markets are a key fundraiser for school, so please have a think about how you can contribute. Our first Knack for the year - Autumn Knack - is coming up on Saturday 7th of April.

There are lots of small things parents and whānau can do to help and your involvement makes a huge difference to how successful things are on the day. The market will be on between 9:30am and 1:30pm and we need plenty of volunteers throughout this time to help with a variety of market day jobs, including:

Promotion (pre market)

Set-up

Eftpos

Bake stall

BBQ/Sausage sizzle

Hot food stall

Pack down (from 2pm)

An hour or two of your time volunteering is a big help. If you can lend a hand please let your classroom teacher know or get in touch with us via

whanauarmy@gmail.com.



For those not available on the day who want to help please watch out for school bake notices in children's bags the week before Knack. Home baking for Knack is always gratefully received and can be delivered to school either Friday 6th of April or the morning of Knack – full details on the bake notice. Or send us an email - we usually have some pre-Knack jobs so there may be something that suits.

You can also help spread the word that Knack is on – tell your friends, family, neighbours, work colleagues about the beautiful craft, delicious baking, amazing hot food and kids activities on offer. There is a facebook event set up to help make it easier to invite people. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1655769907849851/>

Each year Whānau Army fundraising targets a number of items needed around the school and in classrooms to enrich the school experience for our children. Fundraising also contributes to things like transport and EOTC event costs and subsidising activities so all children who want to can take part. In Term 1 funds from the fundraising pot are subsidising costs associated with the weekly ASB sports programme the junior school is doing and covering a portion of the classroom budget fundraising we do across the school.

Year 5 - Sleepover



The time was 3:30. I was sleeping like a log when I heard the worst possible sound when your sleeping. TALKING! I woke up to find everyone in our tent awake. I told the three that were talking to be quiet but that was like talking to aliens. So then I decided to go toilet. I walked out of the tent to hear two people shouting “GHOST!” and I decided to go back into the tent. I thought I wasn't going to get back to sleep when hope shined on me, Luaan came! She told everyone to be quiet and I think I heard a mouse after that. Well then everyone went to sleep. But

that wasn't for long because they were up again at 5:00 and decided to start telling stories! I mean who tells stories at 5:00 in the morning! Me and my two friends finally persuaded the three chatterboxes to be quiet after another tent got in trouble. It was a very loooooong night, and a very cranky next day!

By Dion Leslie

The year 5s took part in a spectacular sleepover at school. Having afternoon tea was fantastic, the cookies were divine and the muffins were tasty.

The wraps for dinner were delicious, the chilli beans were quite spicy though, but that just made it yummiier. The after dinner swim was really fun, it was also a great time to have it.

Dessert was amazing and the games like scope-tag, and capture the flag, afterward were brilliant.

The milo and cake definitely enjoyable and gave a lot of sugar rushes. After having so much sugar it was certainly reasonable to brush our teeth. After brushing our teeth we went down to the field, got our torches from our tents and had a game of spotlight! It wasn't very hard because we only played on the field and the court, so there wasn't many places to hide.

Then we went to our tents and talked for ages. It was probably 10 o'clock before most of us got to sleep.

For breakfast there were so many good cereals and spreads like Nutella and Cheerios. Group 5 cleaned up, like putting back the tables and washing dishes. And that is where our spectacular sleepover had to end.

By Dale Millar



Kōrero Māori - kupu hou

What we've been learning at Berhampore School

Nō whea koe? Where are you from?

Nō hea koe? Where are you from?

Nō _____ **ahau** I am from _____

Try it yourself and ask your tamariki (children)

Ko wai tō ingoa? What is your name?

Ko _____ **tōku ingoa** My name is _____

Ko _____ **ahau** I am _____

Try it yourself and ask your tamariki (children)



Speaking Māori
is awesome

NZEI Te Riu Roa Campaign - Kua Tae te Wā

You may be aware of the nationwide crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers.

Children need teachers with enough time to teach so they can give each child the attention they deserve, and children need talented and inspiring people to be attracted to teaching.

Children are missing out on some opportunities to learn because teachers are bogged down in administration or are struggling to get enough support for children with additional learning needs.

Teachers at our school are joining an NZEI Te Riu Roa campaign, called Kua Tae Te Wā – It's Time to address these issues.

Our goal is to free teachers to teach, and principals to lead, by getting the additional support and staff that schools need. And we'll attract more people to teaching by respecting and paying them as the professionals they are.

NZEI Te Riu Roa members at our school have been invited to a paid union meeting on the 15th March so that we can plan and discuss the campaign and their upcoming collective agreement negotiations. Our teachers will go in shifts so Berhampore children can still come to school. We will be running an alternative programme. The meeting schedule has been planned to help reduce disruption to teaching programmes, children and parents.

Our children deserve the best education in the world, and New Zealand can afford to provide it. It's just a matter of priorities. Thanks for your co-operation in this important matter.



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