

Brooklyn School

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Kia Ora,

Welcome to week 7 everyone. After a rainy weekend we were all looking forward to getting back to school! This Friday sees our Brooklyn Swimming Team taking part in the Motueka Inter-School Swimming Sports which takes place at the Motueka High School pool. Come on down and support our stars, racing starts at 10am approx..

Thank you parents for meeting with teachers last week and sharing information about your child's learning goals. These meetings are vital as we look to connect home and school in relation to supporting your child's learning journey. If you were unable to make your meeting, please contact the school to make an alternative time. We need your input.

Have a brilliant week everyone!

Our Certificate and Celebration assembly in the past 2 weeks we have recognised; Joshua P, Molly S, Lydia K, Milan H, Sara B, Hank FC, Ava Ka

AKO awards went to Fletcher W, James, Nina, Sophia G, Izia B, Chase C, Amelia J, Elyse K, Izia B, Amelia.

Congratulations Nina who will look after the Principal's Cup for the week, and to James who held the cup in week 5.



Sandpit toys...

If anyone has spare sandpit toys can they be brought to school for use with our group of children who thoroughly enjoy the sandpit time.

Looking for sturdy, non plastic items that can handle a bit of hard work and use.

Who is this? you may ask. A NZ Olympic athlete. He is coming to visit us on March 28th to discuss his journey and adventures at Rio as well as sharing his goals, training and practice with you. Find out more, what sport he competes in, and some of his achievements. His initials are MD



Prep

Our Topic work is developing well across the school. Each class is investigating a Product, that can be developed, is appealing to consumers, can be manufactured within the budget, and working as a member of the business.

Inquiry at its best. As the student's inquiry, thinking and learning is being developed the staff are keenly facilitating opportunities to enhance and extend this thinking and learning.

We are aiming to have our budding entrepreneurs offer their product to our community. Once dates and deadlines are set this information will be shared.

Weetbix Tryathlon

Congratulations to Petra Cederman, Logan and Fletcher Wassell, Charlotte and Kate Burnett, Daisy Barrier, Sophia Gillatt, Stevie McDonald and Jolie Ferne who all participated with enthusiasm and determination in the Weetbix Tryathlon on Sunday. The weather held off and all participants had a fantastic time; swimming, cycling and running. This year was a special event for Weetbix, celebrating its 25th year of supporting the Tryathlon.

Class Messages:

Room Rocket

We have started our Prep (Primary Enterprise Programme) work with the rest of the junior syndicate, creating some origami products which we are decorating ready for sale.

This week we will be looking at marketing our products, creating an advertisement, and sign. We are going to set up a mini market to create our shop and sell our products.

We are getting paid for working and will need to budget to lease our shop space. We have had to pay for all the resources we have used.

Room Rocket have hatched 13 monarch butterfly chrysalis successfully this year, with each butterfly named and released.

Room Whetu and Rocket

This will be our last week of swimming as the water temperature is dropping and the children are getting cold more quickly.

Lunchtime swimming will still be available for those children in Room Rocket.

Please make sure your child takes home all their swimming gear; togs, towels goggles, swimming bags. Please check out the lost property box as there is a lot of unnamed clothing and swimming gear in there.

From Room 6

Well into the term and our learning now, we have had discussions about choices being made in regards to behaviours last week. Mainly focused around application to the task at hand. I understand the group is happy and enjoying their learning opportunities at the moment, however knowing when to stop is also necessary, to maintain the calm and considered approach which assists our learning in and around the classroom.

We are preparing for Summer Sports which is scheduled to be held at the Recreation Centre on the 30th March. Ideally teams of 10 are required to allow everyone to rotate through the sports and games. Our teams have 8.

There maybe some honorary Room 1 students invited to support and boost our teams.

Lots of thinking, review, revising and development with our EMR – raising awareness and action being undertaken at the moment. The art task raising awareness of EMR and marine issues. The Action plan is a conceptual plan, that outlines a marine issue and the steps, inquiry and discussion that needs to be undertaken to take action on this issue. This has seen our group investigating the boomerang initiative, planning questions about how to make Motueka disposable coffee cup free. How to put marine environment issues into a game for children. How to stop pollutants getting into the water? Increased signage for tourists in the Kaiteriteri area. Development of our understandings of awa and iwi in our region. Who knows where this will go and the resulting actions devised by the class.

A reminder to log into room 6 on the Together at Brooklyn website to keep up to date with home/school communication tasks and information about our learning.



Term 1 Calendar:					
Week 7	13th	14th FOTS meeting 3pm	15th	16th	17th Interschool Swimming Sports MHS
Week 8	20th	21st	22nd	23rd Be at Brooklyn morning.	24th
Week 9	27th	28th Olympic ambassador visit.	29th	30th Summer Sports tournament Year 7-8	31st
Week 10	3rd April	4th	5th	6th	7th Kai Festival 9th
Week 11	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th Good Friday

FOTS – Friends of the School.

FOTs would like to organise monthly communication meetings, to continue to share thoughts, ideas, communications and Brooklyn happenings.

Our next meeting is scheduled as an afternoon tea one.

TUESDAY 14th March

We would love to have you come along and join us.

Agenda:

- Easter Raffle?
- 2017 target.

COMMUNITY

A family new to the area with a child at our school requires rental accommodation. If you know of anything please

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