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Newsletter # 8



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Kia Ora,

What a wonderful weekend we have just had. I hope that all of our Brooklyn Mums were very well looked after yesterday and enjoy other people doing the housework!

Cycle Safety has been a focus for our students last week with the fantastic Mr Gerry Tonkin helping develop knowledge and skills. We have also had educational visits from the Police who gave our junior students a taste of what life is like working as an officer as part of our Emergency Services Inquiry.

Cross Country is also a focus and our students are training for their respective events. Brooklyn School would like to extend a big WELCOME to Tessa Hansen, who joins us a Teacher Trainee in Room 6, we know that your time with us will be productive and rewarding.

Enjoy this amazing weather and have a wonderful week everyone!

Chris



Mr. Tonkin had a very busy time working with the senior team last week, focusing on Road hazards, bike maintenance and riding skills and awareness.

His focus this week shifts to the junior school and assisting young people to acquire the competencies to be responsible, safer, citizens.

“Your brakes work then Fletcher?!”

 <p>Road map Road safety resources for school communities, years 1-8</p> <p>education.nzta.govt.nz New Zealand Government</p>	<p>Have a look on line at the Road Map for a description and explanation of resources and community benefits from this programme.</p> 	<p>Congratulations to Quinn Grant and Sequoia Gill who were the recent recipients of the Principal cup and AKO awards.</p> <p>Kei te pai rawe to class certificate winners. Hannah Claringbold, Lukoia Coffey, Shelby Crosbie, Molly Spence,</p>
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With a wide range of sports on offer this term, we would like to remind families and our community about the importance of looking after our invaluable sports uniforms. The Brooklyn T-shirts especially the new ones will not be handed out from the office for sporting events. A reminder that these are available from the office for purchase, and how wonderful our students look in these and interschool events. If a T- shirt is needed for a sporting event an old style one can be loaned from the office.

Cross country – running and gymnastics – fundamental skills and agilities will be offered to our students over the term. Please ensure our child has the right resources for this physical activity.

Acknowledgement

A reminder to have a look on the Brooklyn School Motueka website. Under the classroom tabs you will see some excellent posts of the curious, active and sharing activities that we do here – AKO together at Brooklyn. The senior students have been excellent Tuakana to assist others to write and publish posts about individual successes and class learning.

Class Messages:

From the Junior Team

We are all looking forward to our Emergency Services topic in the first 5 weeks of the term, where we will be being active, curious and sharing with the ambulance service, Fire Service, Police, Road Safety and SPCA. Lots of visitors and discussion has been planned.

From Room 6:

There was some excellent participation and contributions made to the Cycle Safety challenges last week - see our post with the SLOW race.....

This week we continue to train for Cross Country with our Try running activities. Please let Vicki know if you intend being part of the interschool event. 31st May.

Gymnastics festival training has also started. Our class is scheduled for the festival to be held at the Recreation Centre on the 23rd June. Class Capiche are part of the A grade event in which the students learn the skills and agilities - gymnastic movements to put together into an exercise as individuals. They also execute these on the day as individuals and then combine for a group floor routine.

Tuesday 16th will see a panel of scientists visit our school, who are keen and willing to discuss and have questions asked of them following up on our discussions and critical thinking from last week in relation to Geology - features of our earth - geosphere. There were many I wonder statements to do with gravity, magnetism, formation of rocks, differentiating between rocks, and the significant geology of the Tasman area. Our thinking will develop this week where we will be making fossils.

Wednesday a group are travelling to Sports Park Motueka to take part in a tackle 7's tournament. Thank you to Matt Kenyon, Pera Tengu and Kirsten Hobbs for assisting with this event.

Post written by Ava Kubo, from the Dream Catchers.

On May 9, we had a policeman called Mr Heney come in. First he showed us his police hat and his uniform. Then he showed us what was on his belt. There were lots of cool stuff like pepper spray and hand cuffs. After that we talked about what a policeman does. Most of the people in the class said, "arrest bad people".

After that he showed us his fingerprinting kit. He showed us how to take a fingerprint too. First he got out a cup, he put his finger it looked like nothing was there. Then he pulled out brush and some crushed up charcoal. Next he opened the lid and put the brush in. Then he got the brush out and put it where his hand was. We could see his finger print!

Then we talked about how he used it.

Then he said do any of you have questions?

We had lots of questions for Mr Heney the first question was, "Do you have Taser?" He said, " Yes!" And then he said, "can you remind me after please, and I will show you." The class replied with a big, "YES!"

After all the questions we swapped classes. In our class we made posters about what we learned with Mr Heney. We got in to our writing groups, there where the Super hero's and the Unicorns and the Big foots and the Lucky last, the Land of stories - that's me. In my group there was Mere and Cori. We had to draw the stuff like pepper spray. And then label it. When the group was done we went to lunch some other people asked if they could see the Taser it was cool!

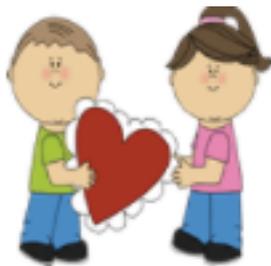


Term 2 Calendar:

Week 3	15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th	19 th
	Walking and road Safety – with Mr. Tonkin – junior team.		Tackle 7's tournament		
Week 4	22 nd	23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th

Week 5	29 th	30 th	31 st	1 st June	2 nd
Week 6	5 th QUEENS BIRTHDAY	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th
Week 7	12 th	13 th	14 th	15 th	16 th
Week 8	19 th	20 th	21 st	22 nd Interschool Gymnastics Year 4-5-6	23 rd Interschool gymnastics Year 6-7-8
Week 9	26 th	27 th	28 th	29 th	30 th Teacher Only Day
Week 10	3 rd July	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th

FOTS - Friends of the School.



Thank you for supporting this fundraising opportunity.

Let us know if you would like to hand out flyers requesting books for the book fair.

The date for our ANNUAL Book and Country Fair has been set for October 28th.

Books are already coming in and being dropped off.

Very keen to hear from you is you would like to be part of this event and activities.



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 16th May**