



LUNCHES THIS WEEK

American Hot Dogs \$2.50
Anzac Cookies \$1.50



There were no offers to help with lunches this week so we are very lucky that Mary and Kirsten are pulling something out of a hat - Thanks to Fiona for offering to help next week!

What's happening this Term.....

12th - 14th Dec Rooms 1&5 Camp
12th & 13th Dec Life Education Caravan at school
15th & 16th Dec Room 3 Overnight Camp
17th December Room 2 Trip
19th December Potato Weigh in
19th December Reports home
19th December Year 6 Dinner
20th December Term 4 Ends!!!!

Golden Bay Schools Athletic Sports

Thanks to all those who turned up to support the children at the Golden Bay Schools Athletic Sports last Friday at Collingwood. Staff who attended were really pleased with the performance and behaviour of our children.

Congratulations to those who managed placings in the finals of their age group.



Guy Robertson King - 7yr boys: 2nd High Jump, 2nd 60m, 1st 200m, 3rd Long Jump
Justin Davis - 7yr boys: 2nd Long Jump, 2nd 200m, 2nd Javelin Throw
Joey Grant - 7yr boys - 1st High Jump Neo Crowther - 7yr boys: 3rd Javelin Throw
Oscar Campbell - Fitzgerald - 7yr boys: 1st Javelin Throw
Jessica Childs - 7yr girls: 3rd High Ju,p, 2nd = Long Jump, 1st 200m

Hannah Brazendale 7yr girls: 1st Javelin Throw

Amber Thomason - 7 r girls: 2nd Javelin Throw

Hugh Renton 8yr boys: 1st 60m, 1st 100m

Max Rogers 8yr boys: 2nd Javelin Throw

Jensy Moyle - 8yr girls: 1st Long Jump, 3rd 100m,

Sophie Fleming - 8yr girls: 2nd Long Jump, 1st Javelin Throw

Kodie Dodson-Herron - 9yr boys: 2nd long Jump, 2nd 400m

Jack Winter - 9yr boys: 3rd 100m Ryan Gray - 9yr boys: 1st Javelin Throw

Chrystal Boomert - 9yr girls : 1st place Long Jump, 1st place 100m, 2nd place High Jump, 3rd place 400m

Storm Foxwell - 9yr girls: 1st Javelin Throw

Jaxxon Falconer - 10+ boys: 1st 400m

Xavier Videler -10+ boys: 3rd Javelin Throw

Laila Balzer 10+yr girls: 2nd Long Jump, 2nd= 100m, 2nd 400m

Molly Renton 10+ girls: 2nd= 100m

Neko Begg 10+ girls: 2nd Javelin Throw



Congratulations to these Motupipi children who were champions in their age group and we congratulate them for their determination and effort.

7 yr boys Champion - Guy Robertson- King,

Runner-Up - Justin Davis

7 yr girls Champion - Jessica Childs

Year 8 Boys Champion - Hugh Renton

Year 8 Girls Runner-up - 2nd= Sophie Fleming

3rd Place - Jensy Moyle

Year 9 Boys Runner-up - 2nd= Kodie Dodson-Herron

Year 9 Girls Champion - Chrystal Boomert

3rd Place - Storm Foxwell

Year 10+ Boys 3rd= Jaxxon Falconer

Year 10+ Girls Runner-up - 2nd= Laila Balzer



Year 6 Dinner Monday 19th December.

Please remember to RSVP for the dinner by Friday 9th (tomorrow) Money can be dropped into office, and cheques are to be made out to:
Motupipi School Fundraising Committee

Lost Property

A quantity of unnamed lost property was given away last week. We will be giving away the next lot of lost property next Friday the 16th of December. Named gear goes back to the owner.

Junior Tabloid Sports.

Tomorrow, Friday 9th the junior classes (Rooms 2 & 3) will be travelling to Takaka Primary School for a fun morning of Tabloid Sports. They will be leaving here at 9.40am by bus and will be back in time for a later School Lunch at 12.45. They will need: sunhats, sunblock, a drink, snacks and suitable clothing for running in. Parents are welcome to support their children and cheer them on if they wish.

Year 6 Welcome to Golden Bay High School

On Tuesday, our year 6 children were welcomed to Golden Bay High School with a Powhiri (Maori welcome). It was an opportunity for the children to find out their classes for 2012, where their classroom was, their teacher and have a look around the various departments of the High School.

It was great to see one of our ex pupils Wil Robertson - King be chosen to give the maori welcome speech.

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The Motupipi School Great Potato Growing Competition

Our weigh in for the Motupipi School Great Potato Growing Competition is the last Monday of term, which is the 19th December at 1.45pm.

Potatoes are to be brought along in their black bag and are tipped out at weigh in time. Prizes will be awarded for the heaviest crop, largest potato and strangest looking in each year group.

School Camps / Trips

Room 4 are currently staying at Collingwood Motor Camp and are back on Friday afternoon. They have been beach combing, swimming, kayaking and fishing and also having a go at yachting today.

Room 1 and 5 head down to Totaranui on Monday for three days of kayaking, fishing, swimming, orienteering, biking and sea biscuiting.

Room 3: are having a school based camp next Thursday and Friday and they will be visiting Lily Rose's property for some fun activities and lunch and also walking around Motupipi Spit to build sandcastles, driftwood teepees and have a fantastic time.

Room 2 are going to Parapara beach next Friday 16th for a fun picnic day at the beach. They will be travelling by bus.

Reports / Classes for 2012

Year 4-6 children and those junior children due for reports will receive them on Monday 19th December. As you may have noted in the last newsletter, some classes will involve children from the same year group in different classes. Year 4 children will be split between Room 4 and Room 5. Year 5 children will be split between Room 5 and Room 1.

Decisions on which class children will be placed centres mainly around which class will provide the best level of teacher modelling especially in reading, writing and maths.

Why do we split the year groups?

We have six year groups and five classrooms. We try to keep the class numbers as low as we can, especially in junior class, but not at the expense of over large classes in other parts of the school. Currently we have 34 children who will be Year 4 students next year, which is too many for one class. We will also have over 34 Year 5/6 students for 2012, which is also too large for a class.

It is a bit of a balancing act as we often have new enrolments at the start of a year that we were not expecting which can put an extra load in some rooms. Luckily the Board of Trustees fund three teacher aides, who assist the teachers throughout the school.

School Production DVD's For Sale

Thanks so much to Patrick and Heather Rose for filming, and editing the DVD of our production. The

DVD is for sale for \$15.00 each and will be available from the office from Monday 12th.



School T Shirts

A large number of school T-Shirts have yet to be returned from the athletic sports. Could they be returned ASAP please.

School Readers / Library Books

Please check at home for any School Library and Reading books and return them to school as soon as possible for our end of year stocktake!



Student Accounts:

Thanks to everyone who has paid their accounts over the past few weeks. We will be sending home a final statement next Friday and would appreciate payment before 2012. The internet banking number is on our newsletters and statements or you are able to pay at the office. Please remember we don't have eftpos!

Lost a School Notice?

If you have lost a school notice check out the Home page on our website and click on notices. If it isn't there give Kirsten a call and she will put it on. The notices will be cleared once the event is over.