



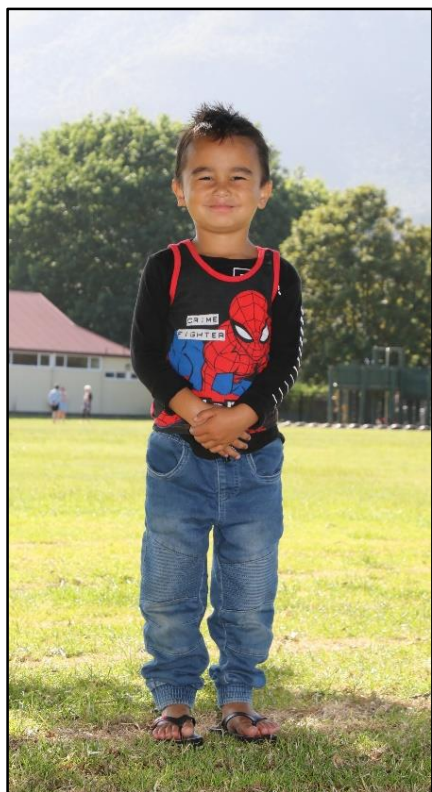
Dear Mothers, Fathers and Friends

Welcome to the following new student:

Cassius Te Kira Room 5 New Entrant

End of the School Year is fast Approaching

The year is racing by and there are now only 33 days until Christmas and 3 weeks until we finish school for the year. The next newsletter on 4 December will be the last full newsletter of the year.



Pictured at the left is Cassius who has recently started school and is in Room 5.

Sun Hats and Cool Clothes

It has suddenly got hot and the sun is intense. Please remind your child to wear a sun hat. Baseball hats and beanies offer no protection. Suitable hats should shade the face ears and neck. Bucket hats are ideal. Let us see a big effort to have every student arrive with a suitable (and named) sun hat.

Lost Property

Please start claiming this, and especially with camps and now that swimming has started.

Senior Camp at Manawahe

This has been our first venture to use the facilities of the Manawahe Eco Trust based at the old Manawahe School. What a great time everyone had. On Thursday night during the camp, our departing Year 6 students had their farewell dinner, a superb feast was prepared by Whaea Lee-Anne and her team. Thank you so much to all our wonderful staff who organised and worked at the camp along with the great group of parent helpers.



Our departing Year 6 students toast their peers at the Year 6 dinner.

Prize Giving – 10 am Thursday 5 December

This year prize giving will be in the Town Hall, this should enable us to fit everyone in and to be prepared for any wet weather. Do mark this on your calendar and come along, we would love to see you there on this special occasion.

Athletics Sports

Thank you to everyone who came to support our students and help during the recent school and inter-school athletic sports. Two days of perfect weather provided a wonderful backdrop for all competitors. Thank you to Mrs Walker and her team for organising the event, well done everyone.

Eastern Bay Athletic Sports

These are next week on Tues 26th at Rex Morperth Park in Whakatane. We have approximately 26 selected but many are in only one event. Parents will need to make their own arrangements to transport their own child and supervise during the day. Notes have gone home regarding this.

Kia Ora Whanau from First National

With Christmas getting close, some families will feel stressed of not being able to provide children with gifts. First National Mills & Gibbon have a Christmas Wish Tree where people can donate presents for children who may be struggling. We would love to hear from anyone that may know some families in need. Feel free to pop into our office, our hours are from 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday, or contact me on 027 5889386. Nga mihi, Erin, Nikki, Storm.

Commissioners Corner 22 November

Kia Ora

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Have you had your say!!!

The online survey is still open (until 29 November) OR you can fill in the paper copy sent home with this newsletter. If you reply to the paper one you will go into a draw to win a \$50 grocery voucher. It is really important that we listen to what our community has to say and will only take 2-3mins of your time.

On the 12 December at 5.15 - 6.15pm, at school, we are planning to hold a Kawerau Korero meeting which will be an open forum to look at the survey results and to plan for 2020. Your contribution is very valuable and I look forward to meeting with you.

You can contact me on my email diprom@xtra.co.nz or if you would like to speak to me send me your phone number and I will ring you

Nga mihi nui
Gillian Diprose, Commissioner

Future Events

Tues 26 Nov	EBOP Athletics
Thurs 5 Dec	Prize Giving
Fri 13 Dec	Last day of School year
Sat 14 Dec	Kawerau Christmas in the Park

The next newsletter will go home on Wed 4 December.

Stuart Cook
Principal

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