

Thank you:

A big thank you to **Jamie Waititi** and her family for the donation of the seeds for our garden.

Attendance:

Our 100% attendance sheet is up in the foyer. Is your child one of them? **PLEASE** contact the Office if your child is going to be absent.

Lateness: This is still a problem. Please make sure your child/ren are on time. Classess begin at **8.50am**.

Reminders and dates for your Diaries:

BOT Meeting: Tuesday 26th August at 5.30pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

Home School Partnership: Tuesday 9th September : 3.00pm – 4.00pm

Class Photos: Wednesday 10th September.



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From the Principal

Warm Pacific greetings to you all.

Snow Camp

I had the pleasure of attending the bi-annual Snow Camp on Tuesday and Wednesday last week. What a fantastic experience for our Year 7/8 students. The snow fights at the top of the mountain were the best!

I would like to thank the parents who have taken time out to support this valuable learning experience for our kids. Without their support this event would not be possible. I would also like to thank Mr. Naidoo and the team of dedicated teachers who made this such a well-planned and rich feature of our school. I look forward to attending again in 2016.

Investing in Educational Success

Below is the press release from the president of the Auckland Primary Principals' Association regarding the government's policy proposal:

'NZEI confirms that New Zealand teachers and principals have overwhelmingly rejected the IES design as proposed by the government. APPA strongly supports the notion of collaboration and initiatives that support student learning'.

I look forward to progressing this work with the Ministry.

Have a fantastic fortnight.

Matua Wayne

TUMUAKI/PRINCIPAL

A colorful advertisement for SKIDS (Safe Kids In Daily Supervision) for Term 3. The ad features the SKIDS logo with a blue handprint and a red footprint, and the slogan "We Care When You Can't Be There". It includes several photographs of children and staff engaged in various activities like riding bikes, playing games, and sitting in a circle. The text describes the winter holiday program and provides contact information for more details.

skids "We Care When You Can't Be There"
Safe Kids In Daily Supervision

WELCOME TO... Term 3

Our Winter Holiday Program were so much fun!!!

Thanks to all parents who chose us to keep their kids entertained and active. Everyone had a blast and we look forward to seeing them again in September holidays!! We are already at work thinking of what to for our next adventurous and exciting Holiday Program.

SKIDS also provides safe, structured and fun after school care onsite for your children from 2:45 PM– 6:00 PM Monday-Friday. We provide a healthy afternoon tea, supervised and assisted homework and educational activities throughout the week.

Our staff are well trained and qualified with First Aid and in Behaviour Management and Child Protection.

SKIDS is CYFS approved and offers Work and Income & OSCAR Subsidies available.

For more information please contact Ajneeta on 027 627 5001 or 09 627 5225 Email: ajneeta@slingshot.co.nz

School-Whanau Partnership

As part of our self-review processes we are looking closely at the relationships we have with our families/ whanau. Research shows that when there are powerful relationships between home and school there is positive impact on our students' learning. At Robertson Road School we strive to work in partnership with you.

To get a measure of how well we are doing now we are undertaking an online survey. The link to the survey is:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/F7TLQJ8>.

I have also enclosed a paper survey for you to complete and return to school. Can these responses please be back with us by 29 August.

Your perspectives are important to us so we encourage you to contribute.

Trash To Fashion

A **BIG** congratulations to **Thalia-Rose Kolo, Toakasi Loto'aniu, Anaseini Vaomotou and Angel Situ, Eseta Taufui, Mavaeloi Potaufa** on your success in this years Trash to Fashion. Also a **huge thank you** to all who helped make this happen.



Project Energize

In our last newsletter we promoted water as the best drink for our students. We continue to encourage you to send only water with your kids to school.

We are also looking at providing only healthy eating options in the canteen. I will be sending a proposed new menu with the next newsletter. Research shows students that eat well are more focused and attentive in the classroom.

This week's nugget is:



TRIATHLON - SWIM, BIKE, RUN

The Triathlon demonstrates overall fitness of some of the world's most talented athletes.

To keep our bodies fighting fit, vitamins and minerals play a vital role in our diet! Fresh fruit and vegetables are best so ensure 5+ a day and you won't need supplements!

This term **Room 20** is learning about The Arts (Drama, Dance, Music and Visual Arts), so far we have learnt to act out plays, recognize different instruments and keep in time with a beat. We are now very busy practicing our dance for the Junior School Production.

Here are some photos of us acting out plays (three little pigs), practicing our dance moves and playing instruments.



This week in **Room 7** Some groups have been learning to write compound sentences independently as well as edit their work in pairs.

They have tried really hard all year to learn the sounds of the alphabet as well as learning words to put all their fantastic ideas in writing. As their teacher I am extremely proud of them for they are helping each other with their learning. Students think and draw their ideas, then start to use the word wall to help them write their story. These are some of the samples of their stories using compound sentences.



By Rhian



By Elena



By Luana - May



By Cassandra



By Rhian



By Elena

Rm 6 are learning about musical instruments



AND

Different types of dancing

We talked about the different types of dancing and the clothes they wear. Finally we tried a dance and spoke about the movements



AND

Learning about Cultural dancing

We made our own pois and learnt how to use them.



Room 13

Time With Friends: By Glory Wilson

Last Saturday, I went to the park with my friends. It was a beautiful sunny day. It was hot but a lot of people were having picnics there. My friends and I went because it was my birthday. We took a cake and we had a barbeque. After we ate we played tag and racing. I enjoyed my birthday, I had lots of fun with my friends.

Samoan Language Day: By Soteria Falani

On Wednesday, we celebrated our Gagana Samoa at the school hall. We sang songs, a siva and recited a poem by Robert Louis Stevenson. My family came with some food. It was faalifu kalo, sapaui and kale moa. It was an awesome day. We all enjoyed ourselves. I went home feeling tired but very happy.

Peep My Pet Bird: By Elisha Fruean

Peep is a small bird.
It lives in a cage.
Peep has a long tail, a short beak and beautiful yellow feathers.
It eats a lot of green plants and seeds.
Peep drinks a lot of water.
Peep loves to sing.
I love my pet very much.

Cooking with Mrs Woof and Mrs Faiva:

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