Craig's Korero

Thanks to everyone who came along to watch the kids take part in our annual Tryathlon today. It was fantastic to see so many children involved in swimming, cycling and running. The next events to look forward too are the Country Schools Swimming competition and the BOP/Waikato Mountain Biking champs next week.

I had the privilege of going for a ride with our school mountain biking group last week. What an amazing experience! The children were so talented and have obviously really improved in skills and confidence since the program started two and half years ago. Thanks to Amiee, Kevin, Michelle and the team for inviting me. I will definitely be back (as long as I get the e-bike again).

Our whanau/teacher interviews will be happening on the 19th and 20th of March. By now you would have seen the form for you to fill out with an interview time that works for you. Julie will work her magic and fit everyone in and let you know the confirmed time soon. Please be aware, school will close early on the 19th to accommodate the early interview times. It will be a normal 3pm finish on the 20th.

Our first disco of the year will take place on the 26th of March. We have moved it from the Thursday to the Tuesday as the DJ had double booked himself. Whanau are welcome to come to our regular CAKE night in the staffroom while the kids party in the hall. The CAKE night focus will be on writing.

Principal for a day

If you would like the opportunity for your child to become me for the day and do all the fun stuff a principal gets to do, now is your chance.

For \$2 your child's name goes into the draw and we will select a winner at assembly on the 15th of March. The following Friday (22nd of March) the winner will become me and get- Principal's name badge, The chance to sit at the front of school assembly and present the Fish Certificates and School trophy, A photo op and morning of hanging out with me in the Principal's office playing games (because that's what I do all day), The opportunity to present the lunchtime notices over the loudspeaker (if they are brave enough), Lunch at McDonald's with me, Drawing the Movies with Mr McFadyen winner and a guaranteed spot to the movies at the end of the term.

Tickets are \$2 each which can be paid to the office. Children are able to purchase as many tickets as they wish- more tickets, more chances to win.



"Iti rearea teitei Kahikatea ka taea Aim high, Stand proud"

Te Whanau Ngahere - Rooms 11,12 & 13



Museum trip - We learnt about Ihenga and his journey















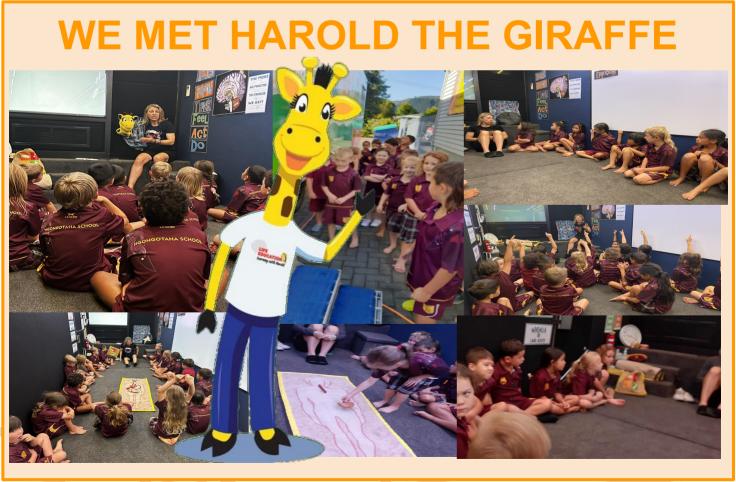






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Author of the week!

Time with my Family

In the weekend I went to Gisborne to see my Nan and Poppa. I went in the little pool with my baby brother and cousin and we jumped in. We ate lots of meat and had a bbq. We slept there for one sleep.

By Aardijah Whakatau-Jones Room 13

Brainy Awards

Te Whanau Mahuri

Charles Taylor and Miles Hindrup

Te Whanau Ngahere

Roman Ellis Putahi, Mason Seaton and Roman King Grant

Te Whanau Wai

Hayze Mana-Beaufoy, Pania Hunter, Hannah Aislabie, and Ahliah Stratford

Te Whanau Manu

Tyber Morrison and Harlow Tapson

Te Whanau Maunga

Amaria Williams, India-Rose Wildermott

What is coming up?

8th Mar- GREAT Start #3 13th Mar- Country school swimming 15th Mar- GREAT Start #4 15th Mar- Draw the winner for Principal for the Day at assembly 19th Mar- Whanau Interviews (School closes at 12.30) 20th Mar- Whanau Interviews (school closes at the normal time) 21st March-Westbrook School Gala 4pm 22nd Mar- GREAT Start #5 22nd Mar-Principal for the Day! 26th Mar- Disco and CAKE night (writing) NOTE DATE CHANGE DUE TO DJ BEING DOUBLE BOOKED 29th Mar-Good Friday 1st April- Easter Monday (school closed) 2nd April-Easter Tuesday (school closed) 4th April- Cricket for rooms 1,2,3,4,9c 9th April BOT meeting <mark>6</mark>pm

6-8th of May- Senior School Camp (all year 5 and 6 children) Totara Springs

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