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Our Future... Our People...
Making a Difference*

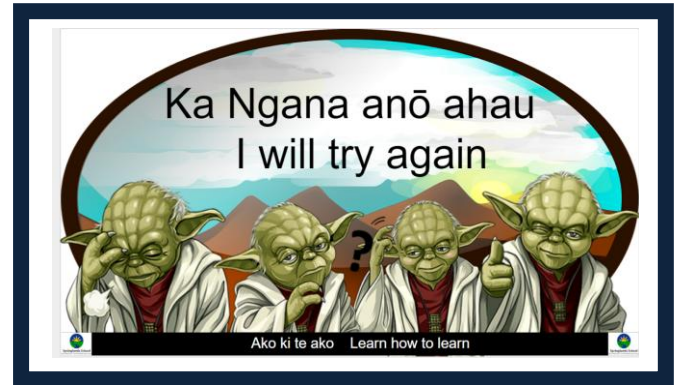
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Springlands School Newsletter 6th May 2016

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EVENTS

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| 8 th May | Mother's Day  |
| 13 th May | School Assembly hosted by Rooms 18 & 2 |
| 16-20 th May | Rooms 4, 5, 6 Stadium Fundamental Skills |
| 17-18 th May | School Photos |
| 20 th May | Board of Trustee Nominations close |
| 20 th May | New Entrant Parent Meeting 9am |
| 23-27 th May | Rooms 1, 2, 3 Stadium Fundamental Skills |
| 25 th May | Board of Trustees Voting Papers sent out |
| 27 th May | School Assembly hosted by Rooms 19 & 7 |
| 27 th May | School Disco - Totara Team Fundraiser |
| 3 rd June | Board of Trustees voting closes 12 noon |
| 6 th June | Queen's Birthday weekend - school closed |
| 9 th June (Thurs) | School Assembly hosted by Rooms 6 & 11 |
| 10 th June | New Board of Trustees takes office |
| 10 th June | Matariki Celebrations incl Breakfast |
| 14 th June | Year 5/6 Ripa Rugby Tournament |
| 24 th June | Interschools Gymnastics Festival |
| 24 th June | School Assembly hosted by Rooms 3 & 12 |



This term our Ka Hikitia theme is:

Ka Ngana anō ahau - I will try again.

Our classes will be involved in learning activities that help develop a 'can do' attitude. Students will be building on their learning from Term 1, which saw a shared understanding of how we can 'learn how to learn.' Students will be stretching their learning muscles and focusing on building resilience and perseverance, as well as being encouraged to display the mindset to try, try and then try again.



It is with regret that the Springlands School Board of Trustees has accepted the resignation of Jo Grady. Jo has been awarded a new teaching position as a 'Resource Teacher of Learning and Behaviour' and will operate out of Blenheim School. This is a promotion for Jo and we congratulate her on being the successful applicant for this role. Jo will be leaving at the end of Week 3 of this term. The Board has appointed Donna Stewart to the role in Room 16 until the end of this year. Donna has previously taught at Springlands School and we welcome her back.



Since our last newsletter we have welcomed Kaleb Win to the Koru Room, Poe Filipo to Room 20 and Lorenzo Filipo to Room 8. We hope you are enjoying your days at Springlands School.



CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to the following students who were awarded A1 Quality Certificates in our last assembly: Roman Luke, Corbin Stephens, Linkin Warman, Michael Tuua, Lakshay Dhiman, Tyrus Burdon, Ryan Osborne, Janet Luka, India Nathan, Ruby Lindstrom, Sophie Blampied-Lane, Kian Da Silva, Brooklyn Gray, Tasi Luka, Zoe Meeten, Lukas Dowling, Joel Pope, Charlie Bennett, Lochlan Gilmour, Sam Rae, Milly Gjølstad and Jodi Purser. It is great to see you all setting high standards for your classmates to aspire to.

2016 Term Dates

Term 2 - Monday 2nd May - Friday 8th July
Term 3 - Monday 25th July - Friday 23rd September
Term 4 - begins 10th October

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Congratulations to the following students who were sent to the office with A1 Quality work this fortnight:



Recognition - Principal's Award Ryan Marsh

At the 2016 Marlborough Primary School Swimming Championships Ryan achieved outstanding results and has now set the Primary School record for Year 5 Boys 50m Freestyle, Breaststroke and Backstroke placing 1st in each of these Finals. Congratulations Ryan on your achievement.



Recognition - Principal's Award DJ Arbuckle

DJ received his award for: DJ personifies the school Nga Tikanga in all areas of his life not just at school. He works hard to be successful in his learning showing growth mindset in all his tasks, asking questions to enhance his learning and reflecting on work he has done to improve it for next time. DJ is a talented sportsman with a level head - whilst he loves to compete he also encourages others and lends his talent to support them. He is a thoughtful person who includes others in group work rather than seeking the same people each time. He is leading Kapa Haka this year and is excited by the opportunities this offers. DJ rises to every challenge whilst always being polite and respectful.



Congratulations

...to Josiah Mooiman who was awarded the runner-up prize in the North & South magazine's short story competition for young writers. Josiah's writing was described as beautifully descriptive and 'quite astonishing' for his age.

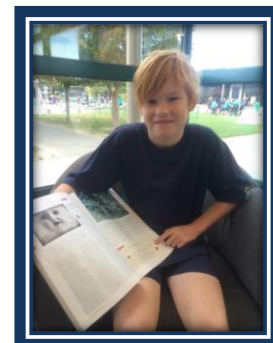
I Live Next Door to Serial Killers

Whenever I get home, the first thing I think about are the serial killers next door. I dump my schoolbag on the ground, race to the back door and out into the yard before my dog sneaks out. I navigate myself to the crime scene. When I find the incident I study the dead bodies. After about three seconds I know those serial killers have struck again.

Without thinking I bolt to the garden shed, grab a spade and report back to the crime scene. I pick up the wings of the victim, the blood-splattered beak, the broken, little clawed legs and the jelly-like split stomach. I drop the mess onto the spade, pick up the blood-stained handle and tip the body parts into my graveyard of birds!

How will I stop those tabbies that kill next door?

Josiah was part of Mrs Hutchison's boys writing group at the end of last year. His story was published in the May issue of North & South magazine.



Suggestions from our Springlands School Bookclub

The Bookclub meet every Monday lunchtime and discuss books, read new books and hang out at the library. This week we answered the question: What tip would you give someone who doesn't like reading books? Some tips are:

1. Tamara said "Find a topic you love and get anything you can about it, including picture books."
2. Ella said "Keep reading, don't give up and you'll get more into it."
3. Courtney said "Get someone older to read to you and then you might find you want to read it yourself."
4. James said "You can listen to books that are on the internet."
5. Charlotte said "Find a movie you like and try to match it with the book".
E.g. The Hunger Games
6. Grace said "Start with a comic book and use the pictures and words."
7. Shianne said "You could listen to the book while you are reading it."
8. Brianna said "Choose an easy book and work your way up."
9. Mrs H said "Find a series you like and read the lot". E.g. Dirty Bertie



Mathematics: Tips to Help Your Child

Always be encouraging and never tell kids they are wrong when they are working on maths problems. Instead find the logic in their thinking - there is always some logic to what they say. For example if your child multiplies 3 by 4 and gets 7, say - Oh I see what you are thinking, you are using what you know about addition to add 3 and 4, when we multiply we have 4 groups of 3...

2016 Board of Trustee Elections

Nomination forms were posted yesterday for the School Board of Trustees Elections. Being a school trustee is an important role that needs people with a range of skills and experiences, who will make a positive difference to our child's learning. Make a difference and nominate yourself or someone you know by filling out the nomination form. At Springlands we will seek nominations for 5 places on the Board of Trustees. Nominations close on Friday 20th May at 12noon. Forms can be posted to 20 Murphys Rd or delivered to the office.

Timeline for the board Elections:

Call for nominations by Friday 6th May

Nominations close noon Friday 20th May

Voting papers sent 25th May

Close poll Election Day noon June 3rd

Count votes Thursday 9th June

New Board takes office Friday 10th June



FOSS (Families of Springlands School) Update

The FOSS AGM was held on Friday 18th March; thank you to all who attended. Emma Coldwell who has been co-Chair and Chair of the committee for a number of years has stood down. We as a committee would like to officially thank her on behalf of all past and present parents for her hard work and commitment during her time as Chair. Without parents like Emma the Families of Springlands School would not exist, fundraising would not be organised and our children would not benefit from the extras that we are fortunate enough to be able to pay for. Thank you Emma! We would now like to welcome Helen Gilhooly who will take the Treasurer role from Emma Sell. Emma Sell along with Paula Olliver will take over as Chair and Co-Chair and we thank Vanessa Wills for remaining as the Secretary.

The date for the **GALA** this year has been set as **Saturday 15th October**. Please put this date in your diary as this is the major fundraiser for the school. For the past two years we have raised around \$30K per year. This is a huge amount but is the result of a collective team effort and we are always looking for helpers leading up to and on the day. So please if you have a few hours to spare get in touch.

We would also appreciate any ideas as to what we spend the money on this year. In the past we have raised money for IT in the classrooms, upgrading the swimming pool area, and last year the bike track and bikes for which planning is now underway. If you have anything that you believe would benefit the children of the school please send an email with your ideas so that we can discuss these with the school.

We are looking at starting off the **Matariki Celebrations** on the 10th June with a breakfast for the whole school. More details closer to the date but in the meantime if you are able to help with the preparation and serving of the breakfast which takes place prior to school on the Friday in the school hall please email your name to the email address below. We look forward to hearing from you soon. FOSS foss@springlands.school.nz

School Photos

Photolife will be in school on Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th of May taking our school photos. We have changed the company used to take the photos so the system has changed a little. All photos can now be ordered online and paid for online. Each child will be given a code number specific to them. By logging on to the website, you will view your child's photos and can then place orders. If you do not have access to the internet, provisions are made for this. We are still able to offer family photos and several time options are available for these. You must book in with the office a timeslot as there is an information sheet you need to complete.



Road Crossings on Murphys Road

In our last newsletter we expressed concern regarding parents crossing Murphys Road on places other than the school crossing. We have again had an irate resident who nearly hit a child crossing with a parent. This is a very dangerous practice on such a busy road and we are asking it to STOP. Children are taught at school how to cross the road safely and we ask that you reiterate this message outside of school hours please.

Kowhai Team Fundamental Skills Programme

The Kowhai Team are attending the Fundamental Skills Programme at Stadium 2000. In Week 3 Rooms 4, 5 and 6 will attend and during week 4 Rooms 1, 2 and 3 will go. A reminder that payment of \$25 is due prior to them attending the Fundamental Skills week. If you have not already paid this, please make arrangements for payment. Payments can be direct credited to the school bank account 123167-0016681-00 or cash, cheque, eftpos at the office.



2BCoS Blenheim Community of Learning Information Workshops for Parents/Whanau

Dear/Kia ora Koutou Parents/Whanau

Our school is a member of the 2BCoS Blenheim Community of Learning. 21 Schools make up this community based on the Investing in Educational Success policy launched by the government in 2014.

The 2BCoS Lead Principals Karen Stewart Principal Marlborough Girls College and Simon Heath Principal Renwick School have prepared a presentation to help our parent community be better informed and understand exactly what the 2BCoS is all about. It will also show how we are planning together as 21 schools to raise student achievement outcomes across our schools. The Blenheim Community of Learning is the first in the country to be underway and because of this, there is a lot of national interest in the work that we are doing. We hope that you can join Karen and Simon at one of the 3 workshop/presentations listed below to find out more about this exciting initiative for our 21 schools.

17th May - Redwoodtown School Hall, 1:30pm

18th May - St Marys' School Hall, 1:30pm

18th May - Springlands School Hall, 7pm

National Immunisation Week

New Zealand is celebrating Immunisation Week on 2nd - 8th May. This year's theme is 'Protecting your Baby Starts in Pregnancy'. Expectant mums are encouraged to be immunised during their pregnancy for influenza (flu) and whooping cough, immunise their baby on time and enrol early with a midwife and GP to get the care they need. Immunisation in pregnancy offers protection to the mother, the unborn baby, the newborn baby and is FREE. In New Zealand **all** children up to the age of 18 are eligible for **free routine childhood vaccinations**. It is important for your child to have all vaccinations in the childhood schedule and at the correct time, **however it's never too late to start immunisation**. If your child has missed vaccinations please contact your family Doctor or Practice Nurse to work out a 'catch up' schedule specifically for your child.

Inappropriate Apps

We have recently become aware of an app that some children are using musically.ly This allows children to post videos of themselves for people to comment on, like, dislike etc. If your child is using this site please check their settings to ensure they have selected 'private'. We suggest parents regularly check their child's internet activity and email accounts to ensure only appropriate sites and comments are being visited/posted.

SPORTS NOTICES

Outstanding Sports Fees

If your child is playing sport in a Springlands School team their sports fees must be paid prior to the sports season commencing. We still have outstanding fees owing for Netball, Hockey and Basketball. Reminder statements have been sent - these must be paid please.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Parenting Roadshow - Hot Tips

The Parenting Place is a New Zealand charity that exists to inspire and equip families to thrive. Our Hot Tip events are all about taking on parenting and making it fun, practical and inspirational - helping parents to do their incredibly important job with confidence. The strong willed child - Blenheim with Jenny Hale 1st June, 7:30pm - 9pm, \$5 Marlborough Boys' College

Tempo Performance Workshop with Jacinta Nott

Performing to an audience can sometimes be pretty stressful but there are a few skills you can learn to ensure that both you and your audience enjoy your performance. How do I make sure my performance is the best it can be? How can I become a confident performer? Saturday 14th May, Wesley Centre. Time: Two sessions to pick from 10-12noon, or 2-4pm. Cost: Free To register contact Linda Lloyd by 12th May on tempoconcert@hotmail.com

Boobalicious Bubbles & Brunch

Date: Sunday 22nd May Time: 10.30am Venue: Marlborough Community College Restaurant, 65 Scott Street For a \$20 entry you will enjoy a complimentary "Pink Ribbon Fizz" and a Beautiful Breakfast. There will be great raffles and guest speaker Emily Hope from Hope Nutrition. \$15 from each ticket will be donated to the Breast Cancer Foundation. You can donate or purchase tickets by visiting our website or call 5782886 pinkribbonbreakfast.co.nz/page/virginiaarchershostpage



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Alongside families, whānau and community we nurture and inspire tamariki/children