

Community Notices

- **Mahurangi Kindergarten Mini Gala** - Warkworth Primary School, **Sunday 3 April**, 9am-1pm. We are having a mini gala! This will be an exciting morning with stalls, games, raffles, bouncy castles, food and live music. Come along and enjoy a fun family day out.
- **Warkworth Junior Hockey:** Registration forms are available at both senior and junior school offices. Completed forms need to be returned by this Friday, 1 April. Enq. Carla 425 9148
- **Needing help with childcare?** NZ Nannies International have Au Pairs available to care for your children and help with housework, for up to 20hrs p/wk, in exchange for free board and \$150 per week or up to 40hrs for \$250p/wk. The Au Pair can stay for 6-24 months as required. For more information please go to www.nznannies.org.nz or email victoria@nznannies.org.nz
- **Kids Republic Holiday Programme** : Good news for all those parents who qualify for Winz subsidies, the new increase for childcare assistance is \$3.84 per hour, that's 0.36 cents per hour you need to pay towards the programme. Please note that trips are additional, but also optional. Our aim is to provide the BEST programme available on the Peninsula with staff who care about your child's welfare.
- **Campaign for a Community Swimming Facility:** You are invited to attend a forum on Wednesday 6th April 7:30pm at the RSA downstairs meeting room. This is our ONE CHANCE to get the aquatic centre on the Auckland Plan. BUT our voice needs to be louder than anyone else's. If you want an aquatic centre for Warkworth you'll have to help me. Please be there, and pass this to anyone who may also be interested. Ruth Mills, Mahurangi Community Sport & Recreation.
- **Kip McGrath Holiday Programme.** Keep your child on track over holiday time for Maths, Reading, Spelling and Writing. Open Mon 25 April - Thurs 28 April. Ring Margaret for available times on 0800 888 674 or 021 632 312. Bookings must be made **before Friday 15 April** to secure a place.
- **Pop Star school - Rock Stars!** This is your chance to shine and be a 'Pop Star' for the day. Come join us for a day of singing and dancing to your favourite Pop Stars - Hannah Montana, High School Musical, Michael Jackson, Taylor Swift and many more. With our vocal training and fun theatresport games, we'll build your confidence so you can strut your stuff on-stage and live the pop star dream! Book yourself a spot today on 0800 444 886 - www.partyatyour.co.nz. Venue - Silverdale Community Hall - 20th + 27th April 9am - 3pm.

PTA AGM - 6 April

New faces for our school PTA - We would love to see some new faces on our School's PTA so why not come along to our social and informative evening prior to the AGM, **7-7.30pm**. Light refreshments available. Come and find out what it's all about. No pressure to join or take a role on the committee. **AGM: 7.30pm** - nomination of Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer and committee members.. Both events in the Senior area staffroom.

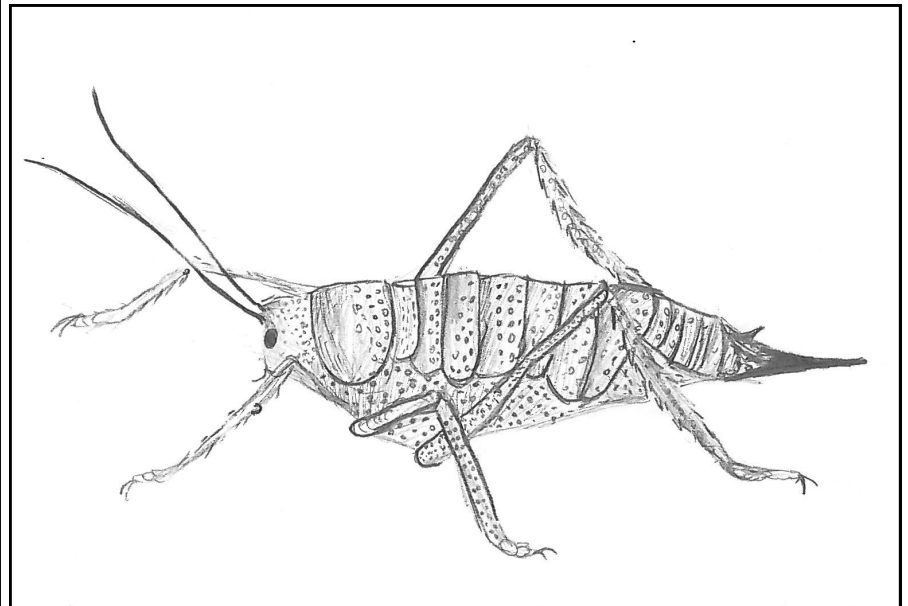
We need nominations for Secretary, Sponsor/Grant Co-ordinator and Treasurer. Nomination forms are available at the Senior office.



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children a lifelong
love of learning.*

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Cover Art

Emma Stretch - Year 5

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Yesterday was the last day for collecting money for Christchurch children. If you still have money for this cause, please hand it in to the office. Thank you everyone for supporting this fundraiser. We managed to raise a total of **\$1404.70** from the "Help us to help them" campaign.



Early Finish on Thursday 31 March

This is a reminder that school finishes early on Thursday 31 March so that teachers can meet with parents and their children for Three-way Conferences. *Please collect your child from school at 12.30pm.* If you are unable to do this, your child will be supervised at school until the usual finish time of 3.00pm.

Three-way Conferences

By now you will have received confirmation of your appointment time for three-way conferences. If you have not received a time, please phone the Junior Office if your child is in Years 1 - 3 or the Main office if your child is in Years 4 - 6. The senior leadership staff members, Maxine Hatfull - AP, Suzanne Donovan Skeens - DP and I will be available during the conference times scheduled on Wednesday and Thursday should you wish to meet with us.

Travel-Wise

Significant congestion is occurring in Mahurangi Road (the little stretch of road at the end of Shoemith Street) due to people parking on the footpath making it impossible for pedestrians to use the footpath, people parking in the middle of the road to unload passengers, and people reversing into driveways to turn around. These are all unsafe practices that put the safety of our students at risk. I ask you all to PLEASE refrain from doing this. There is plenty of parking at the Scout Den or along Shoemith Street providing an opportunity for a short health-promoting walk to school. Please DO NOT park in Mahurangi Street. Thank you.

Special Farewell Assembly

On Friday we will be saying farewell to **Mrs Pam Walker** who has taught at Warkworth Primary School for **34 years!** A special assembly will be held at 10am followed by a morning tea. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Ice-Cream Day

A reminder that this **Friday 1 April** is ice-cream day. Some PTA parents will assist School Councillors sell ice-creams from the lunch-eating areas in the Junior & Senior Areas of the school. Ice-creams are \$1 each. No pre-ordering, just buy on the day.

Lost Property

There is an abundance of clothing and swimming gear, and some lunchboxes in the lost property. Following your three-way conference would be a good opportunity to inspect the lost property for any missing items from your household.

Next Assembly

The next assembly will be held at 10.00am on Friday 8 April. It will be presented by Moturoa House Leaders with an item from the Year 5 syndicate.

School Council

The School Council of 2011 was presented with their badges at last Friday's assembly. Congratulations to the following people:

Hannah Retimana, Tama Hawken, Hannah Dick, Beeba Ameura, Jedd Blennerhassett, Liam Brown, Danika Morris, Kaitlyn Bonner, Lexie McGillivray, Rose Dugdale-Martin.

Music Matters

All music lessons run at the normal times this week despite the interviews and half day on Thursday. Contact Linda Gribble or the music teacher if you have any questions.

Guitar Lesson enrolments (suitable for Y4 children & older) for 2011 are now open. Lessons : Thursdays in Senior Hall Terms 2 & 3. Group lesson for children 3-4pm. Adult lesson 4-4.45pm Any adult in the community is welcome. All guitarists need a guitar (with 6 strings!) and a folder. \$20 per term. Phone Senior office (425 8300) before the end of term to enrol and a notice with further details will be sent out to you.

Kia Ora

Cynthia Holden
Principal

Coming Events

- Three-way Conferences 30 & 31 March
- Special Farewell Assembly for Mrs Walker 1 April (10.00am)
- Ice Cream Day 1 April
- PTA AGM..... 6 April (see back page)
- Assembly 8 April
- Warkworth Idol 8-12 April