



Warkworth
Primary
School

Our Purpose:

We will inspire our students to be active learners with high aspirations and to reach their full potential.

Newsletter

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Cover Art -

Kyal Wells, Year 6, Room 9

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Our Final Assembly acknowledged the hard work throughout the year of all students and in particular three students from each class. The teachers put considerable thought into these special class awards and the criteria for awarding them. After careful consideration, the following students were recognised:

Room	Distinction Award	Merit Award	Merit Award
1	Cormac Blennerhassett	Jack Retimana	Logan Harris
2	Lynita Holloway	Jamie Noyer	Olivia White
3	Caitlin Rouse	Liam Shires	Chontelle Ruthe
4	Eli Hallam	Dior Bowden	Sarah Goodhue
5	Kate Niccolls	Jo Miller	Sinead Spurr
6	Emily Martin	Liam Tomlinson	Molly Illingworth
7	Lauren Brebner-Fox	Millie Worsfold	Jordan Heron
8	Sabrina Yarndley	Momi Nawaia	Mason Wenham
9	Lexie McGillivray	Charlotte Hamer	Vladimir Mamaev
10	Claudia Munro-Boga	Abergail Coleman	Kyle Goodhue
19	Monae Brodie	Louise Makin	Amy Adams
20	Gemma Schollum	Hayley Chalklen	Charlie Green
21	Sophie Bolstad	Kodi Kerr	Elias Diniz-Currin
22	Maddison Richards	Tikeyla Forrest	Abby Charlton
23	Leroy Eru	Aaliyah Schedewy	Lucee Illingworth
24	Josiah Joyce	Jessie Dickson	Sophie Thompson
25	Elise Tomkins	Callum Dixon	Moses Boakes
26	Alaska Burgess	Willow Dysart	Zoe Gabriel
27	Andy Schollum	Rhys Niccolls	Maddison Jane-Rashleigh
28	Joella Tomkins	Anna Sollitt	Jared Membro
30	Amber He	Dana Huisman	Sara Newcomb
32	Taj Oliver	Catherine Rice	Anna Pallister
33	Saskia Wigman	Halle Gravatt	Finlay McDonald
34	Emily Shaw	Amie Tunnicliffe	Cody Wech

Sporting and Music awards were also presented. The recipients were:

Cross Country Trophy - Boy	Theo Neumann
Cross Country Trophy - Girl	Madeleine Hailes
Athletics Trophy - Boy	Jedd Blennerhassett
Athletics Trophy - Girl	Momi Nawaia
Hamish & James Marshall Cricket Trophy	Frank Walkington
Baddock Family Swimming Cup	Samara Shore
Rugby Trophy	Kade Banks & Tama Hawken
Sports Award - Boy	Jedd Blennerhassett
Sports Award - Girl	Momi Nawaia
Instrumental Award - Saxophone	Samuel Twhigg
Instrument Award - Flute	Sabrina Yarnley
Instrumental Award - Clarinet	Ally Holt
Instrumental Award - Trumpet	Mitchell Sterling
Instrumental Award - Guitar	Fayte Woodcock
Instrumental Award - Piano	Ella Martin
Instrumental Award - Drums	Colin Babbott
Special Music Award	Lilly Molloy

Congratulations to all these students.

ERO Report

We are now able to make available to you our ERO report which has been confirmed by the Education Review Office. We are pleased with the many very positive comments that reflect the sound work that is happening in the school and its inclusive culture. It also affirms the direction the school is taking to ensure on-going improvement. A copy of the full report accompanies this newsletter.

Holiday Programme

The Holiday Programme, run by Warkworth Primary School, begins 16 January and finishes on Friday 3 February. (School begins on Tuesday 7 February 2012). The schedule of activities for the programme is available from Before and After School Care in Room 29 together with an enrolment form. The fee schedule has not changed and remains the same as in the past. Please enrol early to secure your place in the programme.

Achievement Folders

Please return your child's Achievement Folder this year. Teachers use these at the beginning of the year to guide their planning and preparation for the new year. Once

the teachers have familiarised themselves with your child's learning needs, they will be returned to you for your safekeeping. Thank you.

Staffing Changes

We say farewell to Mrs Roxanne Morley who has resigned to take up a new career opportunity in Early Childhood Education. Mrs Morley has worked at the school for the last 17 years. We wish her every success in her new career.

We also thank Mrs Jill Parker, Mrs Janet Bromhead and Mrs Nicki Holland for their work with us this year, opening new classes as the New Entrant students enter the school. They will not be with us at the beginning of next year.

Mrs Chrissie Parker and Mr Rob McGhie have each been granted one year of refreshment leave. We wish them well in their endeavours.

Mrs Donna Montrose has been awarded a Science Fellowship for six months and will join us again in Term 3.

The following new appointments have been made:

Year 2—Mr Rupert Moore

Year 3—Mrs Janet Goosen

Year 6—Miss Janine Panter

Swimming Programme 2012

We expect the pool to be in use on the first day of term next year, Tuesday 7 February. The following classes have been timetabled for 30 minutes of swimming instruction: Rooms 6, 9, 5, 4, 1, 29, 27, 24, 33 in that order throughout the day from 9.00am. Please come prepared with togs and towel.

Junior School Christmas Concert

Will be held on Wednesday 14 December at 1.00pm in the Senior Hall. We will also farewell Mrs Roxanne Morley at this event

Before & After School Care

New enrolment forms for the 2012 year will be given to all parents currently on the roll with the OSCAR programme. If you are not currently enrolled but would like to enrol for next year, please contact the school office (425 8300 ext 101) and a form will be sent home with your child, or stop in at the Senior office and collect one. Further information about the programme is also available on request.

Donation Thanks

A special thank you to the Blennerhassett, Hawken and Skirrow families for their kind donation of \$125 to the school sports department. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

School Magazine 2011

Don't forget to purchase your school magazine! Fantastic value at \$5 each, this is a stunning memoir of your child's 2011 school year, and at the price they can have one each! Particularly as there is an autographs page at the back for all their friends' comments and jokes.

Mufti Day

This was an excellent student council initiative which resulted in a very large quantity of food being donated to the Christmas Food Parcel Appeal. Last year the Warkworth Christian Foodlink delivered more than 80 food parcels to needy families in the area. Thank you to everyone who participated and donated.

Orewa West Walkway Cycleway

We are delighted to advise that Warkworth Primary School won the \$500 sports gear voucher from the Orewa West Walkway Cycleway opening! This voucher will be presented by Auckland Transport representatives at an assembly early in the first term next year.

PTA Christmas Tree Fundraiser

When you purchase your Christmas Tree from 23 Woodcocks Road (opposite Mahurangi College) between 1-24 December, mention Warkworth Primary and we will receive a \$5 donation for every tree purchased.

Carols by Candlelight

It was a perfect night on Friday for the choir and families to enjoy Carols by Candlelight at Lucy Moore Park. Lockwood Smith said he thought that this year's children's choir was the best one ever. The choir certainly looked fantastic under the spotlights. Despite a later than usual finish, the children had plenty of energy and shone just like Christmas stars! The hillside was full and the audience enjoyed the singing and entertainment. Thank you to the parents who had the children looking so festive and a special farewell and thank you to the Year 6 choir members who are moving on to college.

Music Matters

Most new 2012 music pupils should have been contacted by me and I hope to contact the rest before school finishes on Thursday.

A small choir is singing at the Stroke Club Christmas party in town on Wednesday morning.

Music lessons are finished for the year except for a couple of catch-up lessons. Children will be contacted if they have lessons owing.

The Music Recital on the 1 December was a wonderful show of great music and skills. Well done musicians (and the parents who support their musicians!)

The Years 4 and 6 choir children went up to sing Christmas songs for the residents at Warkworth Hospital last Monday. Thank you to Gubbs for the bus.

Happy Christmas from Linda Gribble.

Lost Property

We have a large amount of lost property and would encourage parents to come and have a look through before the end of term. There are a number of uniform sweatshirts being held in the Junior Office. Please also check that the uniform your child does have is indeed their own as several items of named uniform have gone missing and have possibly been taken home by mistake. Thank you for your help with this.

Lost Flik Flak Watch

A child's brand new Flik Flak Hello Kitty watch with a red strap, black numerals, and white face with diamantes, has been lost in the junior area. Please contact the school office if you have any information which may help.

Back to School Stationery & Uniform Shop

A reminder about the Stationery & Uniform Shop hours: **10am-6pm Friday, 3 February 2012**. The Stationery shop will be open again from **8-9am** on the first day back, **Tuesday, 7 February**. Pre-orders can be taken up until the school closes for the year. Thank you for your support.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and restful holiday.

Kia ora

Cynthia Holden
Principal



Coming Events	
Wednesday 14 December	Jnr Christmas Concert 1pm
Wednesday 14 December	Small Choir to Stroke Club
Thursday 15 December	School Closes 12.30pm
Monday 16 January	Holiday Programme Begins
Friday, 3 February	Stationery & Uniform Shops
Tuesday, 7 February	Term 1, 2012 Begins

Here comes Monday,
Unstoppable Monday,
Boring dull day,
A scaring day,
There goes Monday.

Here comes Tuesday,
A choose & lose day,
A trip to the zoo day,
A going down the loo day,
There goes Tuesday.
Here comes Wednesday,
A fun at all ends day,
A tying up day,
A long crying day,
There goes Wednesday.

Here comes Thursday,
It's quite a Slursday,
It's also a Blursday,
A lot of her's day,
There goes Thursday.
Here comes Friday,
A sigh day,
A cry day,
A lie day,
There goes Friday.
Here comes Saturday,
Quite a chatter day,
Make you fatter day,
A latter day,
There goes Saturday.

Here comes Sunday,
Quite a sunny day,
Not a funny day
Forget about Monday,
There goes Sunday.

**Rowan Buick, Year 4,
Room 1**

Community Notices

- **Harbour Hockey New January Holiday Programme** Fun Hockey related skills, minor games, activities & prizes. Coached by top level & up-and-coming North Harbour rep players. 9-3 Mon & Tues, 16 & 17 Jan. Yrs 5-8. \$45 per day. NH Hockey Stadium, Albany. Register online www.harbourhockey.org.nz or email participation@horbourhockey.org.nz for further info.
- We are looking for volunteers to help run our **Back to School Stationery and Uniform Shops on Friday, 3 February 2012**. If you are able to help, please contact Gwen Hawken 422 5554 or jghawks@xtra.co.nz. As a thank you we offer an \$18 per hour credit which you can use toward your child's uniform or stationery next year.
- **Holiday Art with Tracey** – Come and have lots of fun in the holidays! Wed 21 December, Wed 11 January & Wed 25 January. (9am till 2pm). \$35 per child per day. Held in Warkworth. Bookings essential! Limited spaces. Ph Tracey 422 5298, paddisonfamily@xtra.co.nz
- **Peninsula Players** present the pantomime ... **The Pied Piper**. Come & support the local kids & budding local stars for a great evening of family entertainment!! Whangaparaoa College Theatre on Dec 14,15,16,17 @ 7.30pm and a matinee @ 2pm on the 17th. Tickets: \$15 Adult and \$10 Children. Family and other concessions available - 09 424 8084.
- **Mahurangi Rugby Club**. Any children interested in playing rugby next season. New and old players most welcome. For more info please call Gwen Hawken on 09422 5554 or 0274572074 or email jghawks@xtra.co.nz.
- **Holiday Swim Intensive** Learn to Swim Week - morning classes 5 DAYS - Mon 16 Jan to Fri 20 Jan 2012. All ages & Levels. For Info Phone Cindy 425 9924 or 021 163 5050 aquakidz@hotmail.com
- **Singing Workshop** a wonderful programme of musical games, activities & songs for 2 days packed full of singing enjoyment. Learn about basic vocal technique, rhythm, melody, harmony and singing in a group....& have a lot of fun while you're at it! Run by 2 professional singers & voice teachers, Jennifer Eirena & Maria O'Flaherty. 24 & 25 Jan 2012, Presbyterian Church Hall, 5 Pulham Rd, WW. 10.30am-3pm each day. For kids in Y4-8 in 2011. Bring water bottle & lunch. \$68.00 per person for both days. **Book Now** Limited spaces available. Register before Christmas. Call Jenny Eirena 09 422 3000/ 0274 293 496 or Maria O'Flaherty 09 420 5379/ 021 032 5287.
- **Rodney Rams Open Day**. Snr & Jnr League - 12pm Sat, 17 Dec 2011. Come along for a look & chat. Also enrol for 2012 season. Enjoy our sausage sizzle & our company. Tel. 422 6057 for more info.
- **National Aquarium of New Zealand** On Friday evening we revealed who had moved in with us. Fiona and Cheryl! They are juvenile female American alligators who have been lent to us for two years by Butterfly Creek in Auckland. These cute little girls are six years old and about a metre long. Their new home is next door to the Terrapins in a Florida Everglades themed enclosure on the first floor. Their new neighbours are keeping a close eye on them! Keep an eye on Facebook for updates and photos of how Fiona and Cheryl are getting on! This new exhibit is now open to the public to view, so come in and check it out! <http://www.nationalaquarium.co.nz/>

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2012

Term 1 - Tuesday, 7 February to Thursday, 5 April

Term 2 - Monday, 23 April to Friday, 29 June

Term 3 - Monday, 16 July to Friday, 28 September

Term 4 - Monday, 15 October to Thursday, 20 December

Public Holidays during term time:

Anzac Day, 25 April; Queen's Birthday, 4 June; Labour Day, 22 October

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