

# KAIKOHE WEST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 09/19

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2009

*Tena koutou e te iwi*

*Greetings to you all*



A very special welcome to our new students this week,  
*Nauvoo Hetaraka and Kyrall Hoori*  
We hope you will enjoy your school days at Kaikohe West!

## RIPPA RUGBY

We entered three teams into the Tournament last week and well done to all the players' special congratulations to the A Team who won their division.

A Team Members were:

Hawaiki Reihana-Tohu, Joshua Edmonds, TeRamaroa Reihana-Ruka-Selwyn, Huhana Lea'aetala, Shadae Rakete, Aiysha Dillon, Rahera Wharerau, Kyani Rameka, Teariki Mataki-Kaiaruna, Joseph Ngere, Tangaroa Cassidy.

## COLOUR OR B&W FAMILY PORTRAIT FOR ONLY \$10.00

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2009

At the Kaikohe Intermediate, 11 Park Road, Kaikohe

For more information

Contact Karen Tana at the Kaikohe Intermediate on 4011667

## *Kaikohe West School "Friends of the School"* **GROCERY HAMPER RAFFLE**

These will be drawn tomorrow so your ticket may be one of the lucky numbers.

Results will be published in the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2009 edition of the Northern News.

### HOCKEY

Hockey Trials this weekend.

Good luck to Natasha Williams R4, Zephaniah Warren R4, Thorne Cumming R5, Mayur Patel R5 and Jonathan Kelly-Yukich R5 who will all be trialling.

### NETBALL

**Winner of the Kool Skools Netball Team**

**'Sports Bag Raffle' - No 95**

To all netball coaches,

Thank you all for your support and enthusiasm throughout this netball season. We appreciate the time and effort that you put into our tamariki/rangatahi to develop both their netball skills and life skills. We hope your teams enjoyed themselves and I hope to see you all again next year.

Mauri ora,

Mrs Sharyn Yakas

**GRAFITTI AND DAMAGE** done to our school is of major concern at the moment and we would really appreciate you as our community to support us either by regular checking as you walk through the school and please phone the Police if you observe any vandalism or even suspicious behaviour.

The Board of Trustees plan to call a community meeting on

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 4.30pm in the staffroom.**

Please come along if you can so we can discuss ways to reduce this vandalism.

Most of the vandalism is after 6.30pm school days and during the weekends, so if you have older children please ensure you know where they are in the evenings.

During the school holidays all teachers will be involved in two days of Professional Development on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July " Intervention Strategies" with Group Special Education and on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July, Literacy with Wayne Mills on "Teaching Boys", this is part of the KPAL Programme.

## **CALENDAR**

### **JULY**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> 4.30pm Community Meeting concerning vandalism at school. All most welcome, we welcome your support.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Art Exhibition Week at the Kaikohe Intermediate School. Teachers will be taking children down to this exhibition

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> End of Term 2

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Term 3 begins

### **AUGUST**

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Interviews

Congratulations to Anastasia Matthews who placed first in the Kaikohe West School Speech Contest. Her speech is printed below.

*Have you ever wondered what that chirping noise outside your window was? Does it keep you awake at night? There are so many things it could be, a cricket, an owl, someone doing graffiti on the wall outside your house or even a frog. Yes, a frog it may be weird but it's true some frogs chirp, actually New Zealand native frogs are the only frogs in the world that chirp and are critically endangered.*

*Kia ora my name is Anastasia Matthews, I'm ten years old and a student of Kaikohe West School. Tonight I'm here to talk to you about New Zealand endangered frogs.*

*During my speech I will be covering these three main points, why has NZ frogs become endangered, where are these frogs found, the threats these frogs face and lastly what we can do to encourage the frog population. Please listen because the frogs need YOU!*

*Everybody is always asking where have all the frogs gone? Maybe even you ask that question sometimes. "They use to be everywhere" I hear people say. Well now there hardly anywhere and are protected by law. Why most of you are probably thinking. It's because some fools in our country just take them out of their environment and disrupt their natural life cycle.*

*There are 4 different types of native frogs. The Hochstetter, the Hamilton, the Archey and the Mauld Island Frog. The Archey is commonly found in the Coromandel and the Hochstetter is found in the upper north island, even means even here in Kaikohe, but do you see them here?*

*There are three main threats that kill these frogs. If you haven't listed to anything I have said this is the most important time to listen. The first threat to these frogs is a fungus called chytrid fungus it dehydrates the skin of the frogs and they die a long painful death. The second threat to the frogs is non native animals they either eat the frogs themselves or crush the frog's eggs. The last threats to these frogs are farmers believe it or not the fertilizer they use runs of the land and down to the nearest stream when it roams and the frogs what's drink it and die.*

*By now you're probably wondering what you can do to help these frogs. Firstly you can tell everybody you know about these frogs and I mean everybody by tomorrow afternoon the whole of Kaikohe should know about these awesome amphibians. But if you want to go a step further you could donate money to the NZ Frog Foundation. The money goes towards translocation the frogs, breeding programs, disease research and population studies. This will help all frogs live a long vigorous life.*

*As a final point to my speech our frogs finally have a voice, you, so use it or your grandchildren's children won't even know what a frog is. Come on everybody event he smallest thing can help these frogs to survive.*

*No reira tena koutou tena koutou tena koutou katoa.*