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Environment

Respecting Others

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Principal's comments

Kiaora Koutou Katoa, hello to everyone.

Grant Lee is one of the many organisers for the Waitara Basketball Competition. He has been helping with the coaching of the Waitara East Kings. On Tuesday nights he helps support with the team coaching and duties. I spoke with him for about 15 minutes he praised our school team with the way they show MANA on and off the court. He absolutely enjoys coming to our school and spending time with the children.

Yesterday the Bilingual Unit spent the day with Robyn Hata-Gage from Kia Ata Mai working with Tuhituhi / Writing. A major focus was around collecting evidence for teachers to make overall teacher judgements of where each child is.

Today is our last Interschool Sports Exchange. This is against Puketapu. We wish all our teams all the best. Our Netball Team will be playing in the semi finals but we are not sure who they will be playing yet.

This weekend is Sir Maui Pomare weekend at Owae Marae. If you have any time please go up and have a listen to the korero.

Margaret and I have spent some time upgrading the school website to make it more user friendly. On the website the newsletters can be downloaded, you can notify us of absentees and we are slowly moving towards each classroom having their own blogging site. All this is behind the scenes at the moment and we are starting to have video conferences with the Website provider to learn how to manage the website. We will be able to put more photos on than before.

Michelle Lucibella has been organising the Whanau Art Day for next Wednesday morning. Please come in and spend the morning in your child/children's class and help them create some master art pieces. The theme is based around the school visits to Owae Marae. The seniors next week have their Noho Marae at Owae Marae on Wednesday as well.

Next Thursday 30 June is the Senior Disco in the School Hall. Whaene Shelley will be sending more information home next week and some children from Whaene AJ's class have also posted video clips on facebook.

This week I have been inundated with children's writing about Hiwi the Kiwi. The standard is amazing so we are publishing in each week's newsletter.

Graham Sands.



2016 MANUKORIHI ROADSHOW

The students and staff from Manukorihi Intermediate School invite you to attend their Roadshow Presentation to be held at your school in week 10 of Term 2.

This is an opportunity to showcase the teaching and learning available to your child at our local Intermediate School.

Waitara East School: Tuesday 5th of July at 11.30am

For further information, please visit our website at www.manukorihi.school.nz

HIWI THE KIWI

The Big Fish

One bright sunny morning my Dad took me fishing. We got our ruler, lifejacket, watergun, salt, ice, fishing rod and bait ready. When we got to the beach we put on our life jacket. We got ready on the boat. When my dad was ready we took off.

We motored along in our boat until we saw some sea birds.. The birds help us to find the fish. When we got a little up the coast we saw some more sea birds. "Hooray Fish" said my Dad. I got excited. We squirted them with the watergun and then cast our lines into the water. My Dad caught a humungous fish. He was over the moon. He made sure he grabbed the fish with a wet towel. "I think you need to put it back into the water Dad" I said. "Are you crazy son?" said Dad. "This is my trophy fish". "But Dad it may have babies in its tummy so we need to return it to the sea"

"Ok son" said Dad and gently he placed the fish back into the water. We had a great time together. We caught 4 snapper. My mum was pleased when we returned home safely and with some fish for tea.

Alizea Sylva Bradley

Once upon a time the Minstrel came to our wonderful school. The Minstrel taught us some lessons about fishing safely and how we can all look after and respect the sea.

Here are some of the lessons he shared with our school.

1. Use a ruler to measure the length of the fish.
2. A big fish means it probably has babies in its tummy.
3. Never throw plastic in the sea because it might kill our fish and birds.
4. Throwing rubbish and plastic into our rivers, lakes and ocean's is very bad for our environment.

Keep our water clean please!

Aaiorangi Goodwin.



Next week Waitara East Children are being encouraged to travel actively to school i.e. (walk, ride, bus, park and walk, and carpool). This campaign is part of the "Let's Go" initiative run by the New Plymouth District Council. Children "caught doing good" by travelling actively to school can be rewarded with some spot prizes! Please help by encouraging your tamariki to be active next week and at other times too!.