

# JUNIOR SYNDICATE LEARNING THROUGH PLAY



## Making a Bird Cage



**Dargaville  
Primary School**  
Mō te katoa - Each for all

EMPOWERING learners through INNOVATIVE education in an INCLUSIVE environment

## Newsletter 12 August 2020

### PRINCIPAL'S KORERO

Tēnā koutou, Talofa, Bula, Kia orana, Hallo,  
Namastē, Kamusta ka yung lahat, Mālō e lelei

A big welcome to our new tamariki and their  
whānau who have recently joined us.

Lot's has happened since our last newsletter.

- We had the MORE FM morning crew visit our school and read Flash's story to our kids. We raised \$706 for the SPCA—Thanks for your support.
- Some of our year 6's have been attending squash coaching every Monday morning. A big thankyou to Karen Morgan and the Dargaville Squash club for making this possible.
- Our dancers have been preparing and practicing for Body Jam which is held next **Friday 21st August** at the town hall. Your child will bring home further information.
- Hannah from Northland Rugby visited our school to provide Rippa Rugby coaching. Mr L is now busy preparing our Year 5 & 6's for the Rippa tournament on **Wednesday 16th September** in Whangārei.
- There has also been some really fantastic experiential learning happening within our Play Based Learning sessions. A big thank you to those whānau who provided 'things' for our kids to dismantle and deconstruct. I bet everyone is also wrapped with their ever-growing collection of cardboard creations taking up space in their lounges.....
- Each class is now busy thinking of ideas and creating their pieces for our big Arts Festival in term 4. Watch this space!
- Anna from Nature Playscapes visited again to check in with our tamariki about the initial playspaces concepts that she designed. Apart from the maze and the huge flying fox not being included, they are all very excited

and appreciative of their ideas and voices being heard. Currently, Steph Calder from Babylon Coast nurseries is working with Anna to design the planting plan for our natives that will be planted around part of the perimeter. We will be having a 'Donate a tree' stand at our Calf-club day and also again at our Arts festival in term 4.

Our trial of the new bell-times is going really well. Everyone has now adjusted to the changes. Teachers and tamariki are both speaking positively about it. Our tamariki are enjoying being able to go straight out and play after their second block of instructional time, and then returning to their class for the 15-20 minute structured eating time with their classmates. Most classes are enjoying a shared book during this eating time. I will be sending a short survey home at the beginning of week 6 to hear your opinions and thoughts.

As part of the mission that we are on in regards to re-branding and creating a new direction for our school, we are about to venture on a consultation process with our community to identify the skills and characteristics that you want for your kids to have by the time they finish Year 6. Please get engaged with this process, as Dargaville Primary is YOUR school and our job is to serve the needs of our community.

Ngā mihi nui

Curtis Gaylor

Tumuaki / Principal





## COMING EVENTS

### Breakfast Club

- Mondays and Tuesdays in Room 8 from 8:15 to 8:40
- Wed, Thurs & Fri in the hall with Cornerstone Children from 7am.
- ALL WELCOME!

**CANCELLED DURING ALERT LEVEL 2**



BODY JAM  
Friday 21 AUGUST  
DARGAVILLE TOWN HALL

**TEACHER ONLY DAY  
FRIDAY AUGUST 28**

NW CROSS COUNTRY  
Thursday 27 AUGUST  
To be held at Ropes Farm  
West Coast Road Te Kopuru  
This event is being organised by Te Kopuru School.  
Miss Phillips has given out a notice to the students who will be representing DPS.



PTA DISCO  
THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER  
TOWN HALL  
5.30-7pm  
\$2 a ticket

### FOOD FOR SALE

American Hot dog \$3    Potato Chips \$2    Lollies \$1

Cookies \$1    Water \$2    Juice box \$2

We will also be selling Glow Sticks –50 cents

- Door Sales will be accepted on the night.
- All junior children to be accompanied by an adult

## Week 4—Nutritional Nuggets from Sport Northland

**EAT TO ENERGIZE**

### EAT YOUR FOOD GROUPS: GO

Grain foods are your body's main source of fuel. It is important to eat these to ensure you have the energy to last the whole game.

WEETBIX    GRAINY BREAD SANDWICH    BRAN MUFFIN

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### HYDRATION

Water is always the best choice to keep you hydrated, thinking sharp and performing at your best!

Sports drinks have up to 11tsp of added sugar.

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### PTA RAFFLE RESULTS

Thanks to everyone who supported our Tupperware raffle, we had an amazing response. Again thank you to Barbara Drake for her generosity in donating the items.

1st Prize - Leanne Douglas  
2nd Prize - Joan Dick  
3rd Prize - Zoe Wood

### JMB RUGBY

The NRU have confirmed that there is to be no trainings or games for JMB rugby until Wednesday the 19 August, as by then, they will have had time to evaluate the current situation.



### 12 August 2020 NEWSLETTER RETURN

Students Name:

Room:

Parents signature:

I have read the DPS Newsletter.

House: