



Thursday 12th November

Information for parents

Good eyesight is important for your child's education – sometimes children can have issues that are vision-related, and hard to spot. Some of these issues could be;

- Getting tired easily when reading
- Complain that the letters mix themselves up on the page
- Get distracted
- Sit extra close to the TV or whiteboard
- Squint to try and see
- Find it difficult to read things from far away e.g. street signs

Most school work relies on your child using their eyes – looking at the whiteboard, looking at a book, looking at a screen. If it's hard for your child to do so, it can really affect their experience at school – and their learning.

What the Foureyes Foundation does?

Foureyes Foundation is a charity that removes barriers to eyecare for NZ kids, and we are excited to help kids in Dargaville in the coming month. **We are at Dargaville Primary on Thursday 12th November.**

If you have received this letter – your school has asked us to be involved in our programme. Please let your school know if you would like your child not to take part in this.

The Process.

1. Vision screening – we provide free vision screening onsite at your child's school, which is simple, fun and fast.
2. Some of the children we screen will need further testing from an optometrist (about 15% of the school). Those parents will be contacted to arrange an appointment at our location in Dargaville Medical Centre (who have kindly offered us space).
3. Glasses will be provided by the foundation at no cost to you.

This is a charity and we get support to help with our programme – as part of our work to reduce barriers, we won't charge for our service, but donations are welcomed.

Thank you again, and if you have any questions, feel free to get in touch with us (or your school).

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

EMPOWERING learners through INNOVATIVE education in an INCLUSIVE environment

Newsletter

4 November 2020

PRINCIPAL'S KORERO

Tēnā koutou, Talofa, Bula, Kia orana, Hallo, Namastē, Kamusta ka yung lahat, Mālō e lelei, and konnichi wa, Merhaba.

It has been a very eventful 2 weeks.

A massive thank you to all who were able to attend our Show Day on Friday. The day was a huge success. It was fantastic to see calves return once again. I am always blown away by the amount of time and commitment that goes into preparing an animal for show day. There are some really authentic life skills developed through this. Well done to all of the parents that made this learning possible. A massive thank you to Megan McDermott, Megan Browning and all of the judges. Without you, our kids do not get to have this experience.

We hope you enjoyed the amazing artwork that was on display in the classrooms. Our teachers did an outstanding job coming up with the ideas and then supporting our learners through the development of these pieces. This is no easy feat! Well done to our learners. They should be really proud of what they all produced.

Some of you may have been able to see the performing arts which were on display in the hall. We had dancing, singing, drumming, piano playing, Tik Tok'ing, xylophone playing, cartoon creating, and Mau rakau performances. These learners really demonstrated our new school values of **RESPECT/WHAKAUTE, KINDNESS/ATAWHAI & RESILIENCE/MANAWAROA.**

Our hard-working PTA grafted all day, providing us with all the food we needed

and coordinating the cake stall. They were able to raise over \$4000. Thanks to everyone who purchased something. This money will go towards the construction of our new play spaces projects. Finally, a big thank you to our staff who organised this day. It ran flawlessly.

On Tuesday, fifty of our student leaders such as pupil councillors, PAL Leaders and librarians etc, attended a surf day at Mangawhai beach. This experience was kindly donated by Kaipara District Council. We had an awesome day in the sun and surf. Thanks to our whanau who provided transport on the day.

A big congratulation to all of our learners who participated in Body Jam. Your level of **RESILIENCE/MANAWAROA** really shone through. This event has been postponed previously, but our learners continued to practice in preparation for the big day, whenever it was going to be. We are super proud of each and every one of them!

Cornerstone Children, who provide the before and after school care, are needing to know urgently if parents wanting to enrol their children in the holiday programme which would begin on the 14 December. They understand that this adds another expense to a very stressful time of year, so they have said that they will wait till mid-January if there is not enough interest. Please note that we finish school on the 10th December, which is earlier than in previous years. Please contact Lorin on 0273522871 if you need further information.

Curtis Gaylor

COMING EVENTS

NW CENTRAL DAY

This event is being held today at Rugby Park. Good luck to all of our students entered in this event.

DPS ATHLETICS 20 November

The following distance races will be run prior to our Run, Jump, Throw Day. These races are for middle and senior students who have entered these events.

Wednesday 11/11/20 - 1500m

Friday 13/11/2020 - 200m

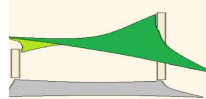
Monday 16/11/2020 - 800m

Tuesday 17/11/2020 - 400m

The start time for these races will be **9.15am**.

Age is at the 1 January 2020

A full programme for Athletics day will be published in the next newsletter



Congratulations WE WON!!!

A huge thank you to students, parents and caregivers for making an amazing effort to support Melanoma Awareness Week. The Get Spotted mufti day raised \$512 for the Melanoma Association, for which they were really appreciative of. Big news though is, Dargaville Primary has been chosen as the winner of the \$10,000 Shade Sail by the Melanoma Association. Our school is extremely grateful to both The Melanoma Association and Shade Systems the donator of the shade sail.

BODY JAM RESULTS

Congratulations to the following students who were placed in the recent NW Body Jam Competition.

Astrid Karels, Ella Randall, Ainslee Lugtigheid, Kaitlyn Keller, Lara Stevens, Kori Vulelich, Khloe McCully, Susitina Maama, Paige Waipouri, Sophia Crawford, Holly Puman, Hazel Jenyns, Zoe Jenkins, Holly Duncan, Skye Walding, Levi Parkinson, Kaiau-Ri Epere, Madison Rutherford, Helena Cvitanovich, Saffron Searle, Marlee Phillips, Kaylee Jamieson, Kiana Jamieson, Savannah Shone, Miya Cleaver, Fallon Hutchinson, Sesalina Latavao and Kaydence Mau. Well done!

DPS SHOW DAY RESULTS

Well done to all the students who brought their animals to Show Day on Friday.

LAMBS

Senior Champion - Becki Lowe

Reserve Champion - Brooklyn Perreau

Middle Champion - Keegan Miller

Reserve Champion - Callum Mardon

Junior Champion - Kasey Coles

Reserve Champion Anna Mardon

Overall Champion Lamb - Becki Lowe

CALVES

Senior Champion - Drew McDermott

Reserve Champion - Kody McDermott

Junior Champion - Evan Browning

Reserve Champion - Abbie Windlebourne

Best of Breed - Champion - Kody McDermott

Reserve Champion - Drew McDermott

Best Reared - Senior - Samuel Browning

Junior - Evie Phillips

Overall Champion Calf - Drew McDermott

GOATS

Senior Champion - Paige Pattison

Junior Champion - Luana Utai

Overall Champion Goat - Paige Pattison



Drink water and milk
Inumia te wai me te miraka hoki

Water
is the best drink

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NORTHLAND DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD
Te Puhi Whānau & Whānau o Te Tai Tokerau

4 November 2020 NEWSLETTER RETURN
Students Name: _____ Room: _____

Parents signature: _____ I have read the DPS Newsletter. _____
House: _____