



Newsletter No. 3 | March 2021

Dates & Events to Note:

- **Springbank Production 'Dirk Smirk'** – Friday 9th April 3:45pm and Saturday 10th April 7:00pm
- **Weet-Bix Kids TRYathon** – Sunday 11th April
- **Blake NZ VR Experience** – Thursday 15th & Friday 16th April
- **SCHOOL HOLIDAYS** – Saturday 17th April – Sunday 2nd May
- **TERM TWO DATES** – Monday 3rd May – Friday 9th July (10 weeks)

Dear Parents

Our family recently attended our Grandma's 90th birthday celebration in Napier. I was looking forward to catching up with our extended family, having a few laughs, soaking in some anecdotes, and eating some good food. What I didn't expect to receive were some profound life lessons.

My Grandma is a pretty special lady who has had to overcome a great deal of hardship as a result of World War II; yet she does not begrudge anybody or hold onto injustices that she has had to endure through her earlier years. On the contrary, Grandma has always possessed a wonderfully hopeful and optimistic outlook on life, and this mindset continues at 90 years of age. For her 90th, Grandma published and gifted each of us a memoir; a collection of memories, inspirational quotes, and a series of values that she lives her life by. Whilst there was a range of inspirational messages to take away, I was particularly gripped by her detail surrounding the raising of her six children (the oldest being Mrs Warren senior, my mum!). Grandma wrote about how she and my late Opa worked hard to raise their children, purposefully instilling them with values to help them lead the most successful and fulfilling lives that they can. They set clearly defined boundaries and consistently insisted on them being observed. They were both hard workers and understood the importance of being strong role models for their children. They unreservedly insisted on politeness and good manners, and correction of unacceptable behaviour was a daily part of their parental responsibilities. They also loved their children, showed affection, and gave praise and appreciation when deserved.

Only a few days earlier, I had attended Nigel Latta's *Adventures in Parentland* talk, which I must say was a disappointment. What messages I did manage to take away from his talk (or rather comedy act) were a complete juxtaposition of my grandparents' values. He presented somewhat of a "she'll be right" type of attitude towards parenting, with messages such as, "Don't bother setting rules for your teenagers because they're going to break them anyway".

It is absolutely no coincidence that Opa and Grandma's children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren are largely leading happy, fulfilling, successful lives. I am thankful to them for establishing and maintaining high standards and expectations for their own children, and I believe this has continued through the generations. Thank you, Grandma (she still reads every newsletter ☺). Coincidentally, my dad's side of our family share many of the same values, and these have combined to form the basis of Springbank School's original "Learning for Life" values. I believe that these values are timeless, and they will continue to form the basis of a Springbank School education for years to come.



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[Year 4-6 Camp at Adrenaline Adventure Park](#)

The Year 4-6 camp took place at the end of February at the Adrenaline Adventure Park, just north of Whangarei. The camp provides a great variety of activities for the students to participate in. The inflatable water obstacle course was a favourite with both students and parents. Determination, agility, and balance played a huge factor in whether they made it across the course, without falling in the water. In addition, the water slide, kayaking, paddle boarding, and walks made for a very active and busy camp.

The students really pushed themselves out of their comfort zones and made it a really enjoyable camp for all. A big thank you to our parent support throughout camp. Your assistance in the kitchen, in the water, and with all group activities made the camp run smoothly and successfully. Thank you to Mrs Filer and Mrs Sneddon for bringing so much fun to your first Springbank School camp. It was a memorable few days!



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Cape Brett Challenge 2021

From Thursday 8th to Saturday 10th March, eight students from Year 12 and 13, along with Mr. Horgan and Mr. Warren, embarked on a unique adventure. It was one that would involve a mix of highly competitive ultimate frisbee, many poorly cooked noodles, and more hills than many people would walk up in a whole month; an adventure otherwise known as the Cape Brett Challenge. Once everything was securely in place, in the school van, we made our way to Opito Bay where Mr. Warren was waiting with his boat. Only a little weighed down by our multitude of gear, we motored out to Urupukapuka Bay and hastily set up our campsite, followed by a walk up the hill to see the route we were going to walk the next day. Our first challenge was Taniwha's tunnel, a terrifying and thrilling adrenaline rush adventure.



After dinner and a quick game of ultimate frisbee, we decided to watch the sunset over on the hill, callously ignoring the dark rain clouds looming above us as we trekked up a hill near the campsite. However, before we even made it to the top, rain was already beginning to fall. As the rain started, we raced down back to the campsite, Ethan choosing the risky approach of boosting down the hill, unsurprisingly resulting in a dramatic skid on the wet grass.

Arriving back at the campsite, Josh learnt that leaving all his gear under a tree was actually not an effective way of keeping it dry, and James discovered the importance of properly zipping up a tent, as his and Ethan's tent had a small puddle formed in the middle. We all turned in for the night, trying our best to get a good night's sleep, though this proved a little hard for some, like Ethan and his "jacuzzi sleeping bag".

The next morning, bright and early, we set off on our 1.8 kilometre swim to the mainland, paddling through the chilly water and reaching Rawhiti in about an hour and 15 minutes. Next, we tackled the first leg of the Cape Brett tramp, a steep hike for the first two kilometres of the walk; a gnarly task for our already fatigued legs. The lookout, however, was breath-taking from the first stop point, an expansive view of the Bay of Islands. Fuelled with some nutbars and dried apricots, we set off at a steady pace sticking together as a group, reaching the 9 kilometre mark and trappers' hut in time for a well-deserved lunchbreak.



The views as we walked along the ridge truly showed us how blessed we are to live in New Zealand, the beauty of the deep blue of the ocean in the distance merging with sky at the horizon line astounding us the whole way. Just as the end was in sight, the track plunged one last time to near sea level, before climbing again to the final peak and descending to the hut at the end of the trail. A wave of relief washed over us as we arrived at the hut, finally able to collapse onto the grass and give our exhausted muscles a rest, use the toilet, and eat some of the best-tasting trail mix of our lives.



While we waited for Mr Warren to collect us in his boat, we gratefully pulled off our trainers and took a refreshing and well-deserved swim. Mr Warren was able to get the boat in just long enough for us to climb aboard, however transferring the bags onto the boat was another story, Mr Horgan having to hurl them while the students stood on the boat trying to catch them, their success rate pretty good, except for the occasional bag-dunking, coincidentally both being James'.

Before heading back to Urapukapuka, Mr Warren took a detour through the Hole in the Rock, which was well enjoyed, sea spray peppering us as the boat dipped in the waves. After this, we headed to Otehei Bay for a round of drinks and chips, and then returned to camp for a well-deserved dinner, an honourable mention to Josh and Jack's hearty butter chicken soup, and a much less intense game of ultimate frisbee. However, the competitive streak was still there despite everyone playing with a little or a lot of sunburn (Malindi), chafing (Josh), sore knees, and blistered feet.

We ventured up the hill again to see the sunset, this time a success, and that evening we climbed yet another hill for a spot of stargazing and then made our way to bed, everyone sleeping very soundly that night.

We left the island Saturday morning and all departed our separate ways.

Though we returned home exhausted, sore, and carrying various battle scars, we also took home the feeling of fulfilment and sense of achievement that came from completing the challenge. We had done it, and more importantly we had done it as a team, all pushing ourselves and reaching our goals despite the challenges.

This was certainly an experience that will not be forgotten, and I can safely say the Year 12s will be up for the challenge again next year. A big thank you to both Mr Warren and Mr Horgan for making this activity possible, and thank you to the students for their humour and adventurous spirit that made the challenge amazing!

By Beth and James, Year 12



St Patrick's Day

Springbank really knows how to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Thanks to our awesome Prefect team, we were able to offer face painting, sponge throwing, and spiders. The spiders were a big hit; we sold out so quickly that there was an emergency trip to town to get more supplies. Face painting was so much fun. There were some very creative ideas of what they wanted, like princesses and sharks. We sometimes had to settle for some easier drawings!

Sponge throwing ran at lunchtime, and so many people came out and supported by paying to throw sponges soaked in green slime at teachers and students. Big shoutout to Jack, Josh, Ethan, Mr Broadwith, Mr Warren, Mr. Epley and Mr. Hittle for willingly (or not so willingly!) agreeing to be the targets this year. Best shot goes to Oscar for sure; Mr. Hittle is probably still recovering. Overall, 2021 Springbank St Patrick's Day was a huge success and we raised over \$400 for St John, so thank you all for making it such a great day.

- Rebecca Nugteren



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End of Summer BBQ & 25th Celebrations

What a way to end Week 7 of Term One, with our End of Summer BBQ & Springbank School's 25th Birthday Celebration.

The weather looked a little grey at times, but the sun came out shining for a beautiful afternoon's celebration. It was wonderful to see so many of our families from Preschool, Headstart, and school join us for the afternoon.

There was lots of bouncy castle fun, volleyball games going on, a rock hunt around the track to complete, and tug of war challenges. It was a lovely afternoon to just kick back and relax, catch up with other families, and take a trip down memory lane looking at all the schoolwide photos from 1996 to 2020 that were on display; all while some sweet tunes from the band played in the background.

A yummy BBQ was warmly received, cooked to perfection by our staff. The evening concluded with a speech from Springbank's Principal Mike Warren and founding Principal Mrs Sophia Warren, before the anticipated spot prize draw and cake.

A huge thank you to everyone who came along and helped us celebrate 25 years of Springbank School. We are extremely proud of the exceptional learning environment that we have provided to Far North families for quarter of a century.



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[Springbank Production – Dirk Smirk](#)

Springbank School presents "Dirk Smirk - Secret Agent" a play by Geoff Bamber. If you like a bit of Bond, risk, and mystery, you'll love this entertaining performance parodying the James Bond spy genre.

Tickets are available for two shows:

- Friday 9th April for the matinee show at 3:45pm
- Saturday 10th April at 6:45pm
- \$5:00 per ticket

Phone the school office on (09) 407-5236 to book your seats.

The sets are finished and the final rehearsals are going strong. We'll see you there!



[Love Grace Handbag Appeal](#)

Led by Charli Conner, Prefect, and supported by our maths teacher, Mrs Binedell, families were asked to donate any handbags they no longer needed to go towards the Love Grace Handbag Appeal, organised by BNZ, in association with Women's Refuge.

Students were also asked to donate various essential items to go into the bags. The bags will be given to help women in need when escaping domestic violence.

A total of twenty two bags were donated by Springbank School families, which is an outstanding response of kindness and support to this appeal.

Charli dropped off the bags to the local Kerikeri BNZ branch this morning, and the staff were blown away by the number of bags that were donated.

A big thank you to Charli for leading this fundraising appeal and to our families for your generous donations.



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[\\$5 Challenge 2021](#)

The \$5 Challenge was a schoolwide enterprise activity, which challenged students to take an initial capital investment of \$5 and use it to generate a profit within a three week period.

Innovative ideas came from a variety of year levels, and it was great to see many budding entrepreneurs making the most of the opportunity. From baking to wooden necklaces, dog biscuits, nail painting, dish soaps, dodgeball and nerf wars competitions, t-shirt bags, decorative wreaths, rock painting, keyrings, and more. The competition was judged by Michelle Chapman our enterprise teacher, with help from Malcolm Shepherd from Quantum Financial Services.

We would like to congratulate all participating students on taking part in the \$5 Challenge and coming up with some very creative ideas. A big thank you to our challenge sponsors; Prana, Doubtless Bay Catering, The Rock Adventure Cruises, Quantum Financial Services, and Hideaway Lodge for your generous prize awards.

Most Profit Generated		
1 st Place – Amelia Morris	Amelia’s High Tea and Facial Workshops. Profit = \$1,117.22	\$250 from The Rock Adventure Cruises (Sarah & Jonny Greener)
2 nd Place – Ava Phillipps	Ava’s Cards. Profit = \$644.00	\$200 from Quantum Financial Services (Malcolm Shepherd)
3 rd Place – Kasha Yeo & Kate Grant	Kasha’s Jars and Grow Your Greens. Profit = \$584.50 each	\$100 from Hideaway Lodge (Suely & Brian Skedgwell)

Most Innovative Product or Service		
1 st Place – Zoe Wells	Floating Flowers – recycled glass frames with decorative pressed flowers	\$200 from Prana (Antoinette Elizabeth & TeUa Hamuera)
2 nd Place – Lucy, Cooper & Ethan Spice	Tyre Trampolines – recycled tyres	\$100 from Doubtless Day (Shanny Maginness)



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Junior Duathlon

Congratulations to all the competitors for this year's Junior School Duathlon! We decided 3 years ago not to make this event compulsory, but I am blown away every year how enthusiastic so many of our youngest Springbank students are about bringing their bikes to school and having the chance to ride around the planted track.

What really impresses me are the children who enter themselves into a more challenging event than their age group, which was quite common this year. I want to make special mention of Nelson Freeman who, while only being in Year 4, has run the largest race for the last two years, coming in 3rd in 2019 and 2nd this year. He has knocked nearly a minute off his personal best, and his determination is going to see him set some impressive times in the next couple of years I'm sure.

Unfortunately at the time of this newsletter we have not released the results to the school, so while we know placings, the times and house points results are still a surprise until assembly after Easter.

Thank you also to Friends of Springbank for donating ice blocks to all our competitors – this was a nice touch to the morning. I would also like to thank teachers and parents for getting in behind this event and bringing bikes to school, and it was great to see so many parents and grandparents there on the day to cheer their racers across the finish line. I look forward to next year's event!

- Jo Warren

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[Athletics Day](#)

This year the Middle and Senior School Athletics Day combined with the Junior Duathlon; the result being an amazing day where the whole Springbank community was out there giving it everything. A touch of rain couldn't dampen the spirits, and the students were into it right from the start, running, jumping and throwing with all their energy.

The teachers did a grand job keeping the events ticking over, especially the evergreen Mr. Hittle with his amazing tabloid games, and the parent help this year was wonderful. The day ended with a series of blistering sprint finals, some crowd-pleasing relay races, and the beloved Tug of War. In spite of everyone's best efforts, the Sharks came away with a narrow win, richly deserved. Another wonderful day of camaraderie and competition – thanks to everyone involved and here's looking forward to next year.

- Adam Horgan

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[Kia Ora to Sophia Thomas](#)

We are pleased to introduce Sophia Thomas, our new te reo Maori teacher, who will be teaching Years 5 – 9.

“Ko te reo te kākahu o te whakaaro te huarahi ki te ao tūroa o te hinrngaro” - Tā Himi Henare.

Ko Panguru te maunga Ko Whakarapa te awa

Ko Ngatokimatawhaorua te waka

Ko Te Puna i te ao Mārama te whare tupuna Ko Waipuna rāua ko Ngāti Manawa ōku marae

Ko Te Waiariki, Te Kaitutae, Te Waiariki ōku hapū Ko Te Rarawa rāua ko Ngāpuhi ōku hapū

Tēnā tātou katoa ko Sophia Thomas tōku ingoa.

I come from a very small community called Panguru over in the North Hokianga. I love my home and my upbringing. I do my best to give back to my whānau and the communities that have adopted me. I was fortunate enough to have grown up with my grandparents in Panguru where Te Reo Māori became my first language. I might be young in age, but I have an old soul. In saying that, I'm definitely not your average twenty-something year old.

I am a part of the generation that had the opportunity to go to Kohanga Reo and Kura Kaupapa Māori. This has moulded me into the strong Wahine Māori I am today.

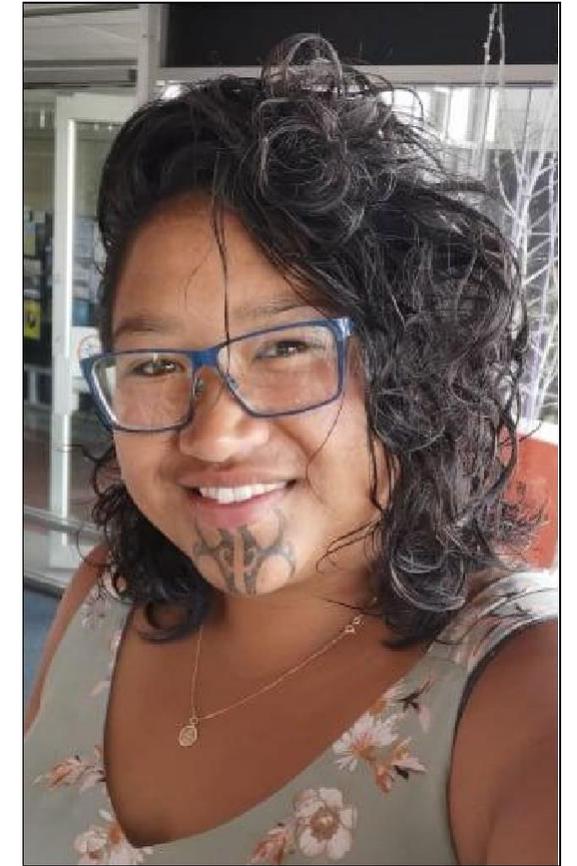
5 Interesting Facts about me....

1. My first language is Te Reo Māori.
2. My favourite type of music is Country Music. I know, random right?!
3. I love sports. Waka Ama is my No.1 and playing Rugby is No.2 but I enjoy all sports.
4. I have a great sense of humour and I'm definitely not shy..
5. I really love working with rangatahi.

Ok, I'll sneak in a sixth fact... I work at the Tautoko FM radio station as a radio host.

What to expect from my lessons? The students will be learning a combination of Māori culture and history, Te Reo Māori, kapa haka and some Kēmū Māori (Māori Games); pretty much everything I got to grow up with. I'm super excited to work with all the amazing students and I'm definitely looking forward to meeting all you wonderful parents.

Ngā manaakitanga, Whaea Sophia Thomas.



Friends of Springbank

The Friends of Springbank committee has started the year off strongly, supporting several student events. Confirmed funding has been given to a Blake Inspire Day, Senior Ball, and MUNA and LitQuiz teams. The committee also supported the Junior Duathlon, providing each participant with a well-earned ice block at the end of their race.

The Coffee Squad for senior students will be back in Term Two. Keep an eye out on how your child can get involved and how you can get a delicious cup of coffee.

The Life Skills for Teens programme for 2021 started this month. Students 13 years+ were invited to take part in a 3-week cooking programme. The cooking classes included topics on:

- Kitchen Health and Hygiene
- Knife Safety
- Food preparation and menu planning and
- Basic cooking skills

The next Friends of Springbank meeting and AGM will be on Wednesday 14th April at 2pm in the school staffroom.



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Swimming Success

Six Springbank students swam in the Swimming Northland Rising Stars 2021 competition over the last weekend of March . This meet is a culmination of the 2020-2021 swim season.

We would like to congratulate Eli Welling, Annabelle Welling, Tess Pearson, Isaac Welling and Issy Welling on a strong and competitive event, gaining excellent results. An extra special mention of congratulations goes to Sebastian Mottl who swam in eight races and placed 1st in every single one! Absolutely outstanding!

Everyone swam with great passion and gave it their all in every race. They showed great endurance, technique, and sportsmanship in and out of the pool.

We are so proud of the superb results for each of the students. It was a stellar performance!

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[Northland Senior Volleyball Tournament](#)

We had two teams, one senior boys and one senior girls, represent Springbank School for the first time at a Northland Secondary Schools Volleyball Tournament in Whangarei. The boys' team played first on Tuesday 30th March, with the girls following up on Wednesday 31st March.

To say these teams played well is an understatement. They played magnificently! They demonstrated great team spirit, enthusiasm, and skill on the court.

A massive congratulations to our Senior Girls' Team: Poppy, Khalila, Melissa, Malindi, Eva, Ellie, Rebecca, Bethany, and Sapphire who were crowned champions and won 1st place. Congratulations also to the Senior Boys' Team: Jack, Naaman, Josh, William, Jaluka, Ruben, Youssef, Hunter, and Mitchell who gained a strong 2nd place out of 12 teams.

Thank you to Simone Kistemaker and Francis Whittaker for your parent support. Last but not least, we give a huge thank you to Mr Epley for establishing the afterschool Volleyball Club, and training and entering our first teams. All the hard training has paid off, and we are so proud of your superb results.



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[Magic in the Bush](#)

On Friday 19th April, Preschool, Headstart, and Junior School students were entertained and delighted with a puppet show from local puppeteer, Kylie Penn and Willy and Erin.

The show called “Magic in the Bush”, introduced the children to various creatures they might find in the bush and looked at some of the environmental issues these creatures might be facing today.

The show incorporated mime and European clowning styles, along with a Q&A at the end of the show and a brief look at the different style of puppets used.



[Springbank School Clothing](#)

The Springbank School clothing organised through The Friends of Springbank committee will be back to view outside the office from Wednesday 7th April.

These clothing items are not a uniform and they are not compulsory. However, they can be added in nicely to your child’s everyday school wardrobe if you wish. As the seasons start to change and the weather gets cooler, the jacket options may come in handy for those winter days.

There are currently six items available:

- Cap
- Bucket Hat
- T-Shirt
- Track Jacket
- Half Zip Polar Fleece
- Full Zip Polar Fleece

Order forms with pricing and payment instructions will be in the office to collect.



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Headstart Report

We have had a very busy month looking at how we can protect our environment and reduce, reuse, and recycle. We ventured out into the local community to visit the Hospice stores to donate goods we no longer needed, whilst picking up some classroom resources for ourselves. A second trip saw us visit one of our classmate's houses, where they have an almost zero waste household. We learnt about composting, building a worm farm, and sampled some delicious home grown fruit and vegetables. We moved over to Russell to see their refuse and landfill, which did make us feel a bit sad seeing so much rubbish going into Papatuanuku. It has made us more aware of how we can reduce our waste at Headstart and in our own home. We've also had a strong interest in puppets, so have been busy creating our own friends and putting on shows.



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Preschool Update

We set sail across the seas on a very cool adventure this month! Peta Kell, one of our teachers, organised the epic excursion of going on the R Tucker Thompson! It was awesome! The weather was perfect, the seas were smooth, and we all had the most amazing trip within the Bay of Islands.



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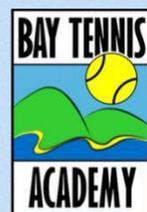
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27TH - 29TH APRIL

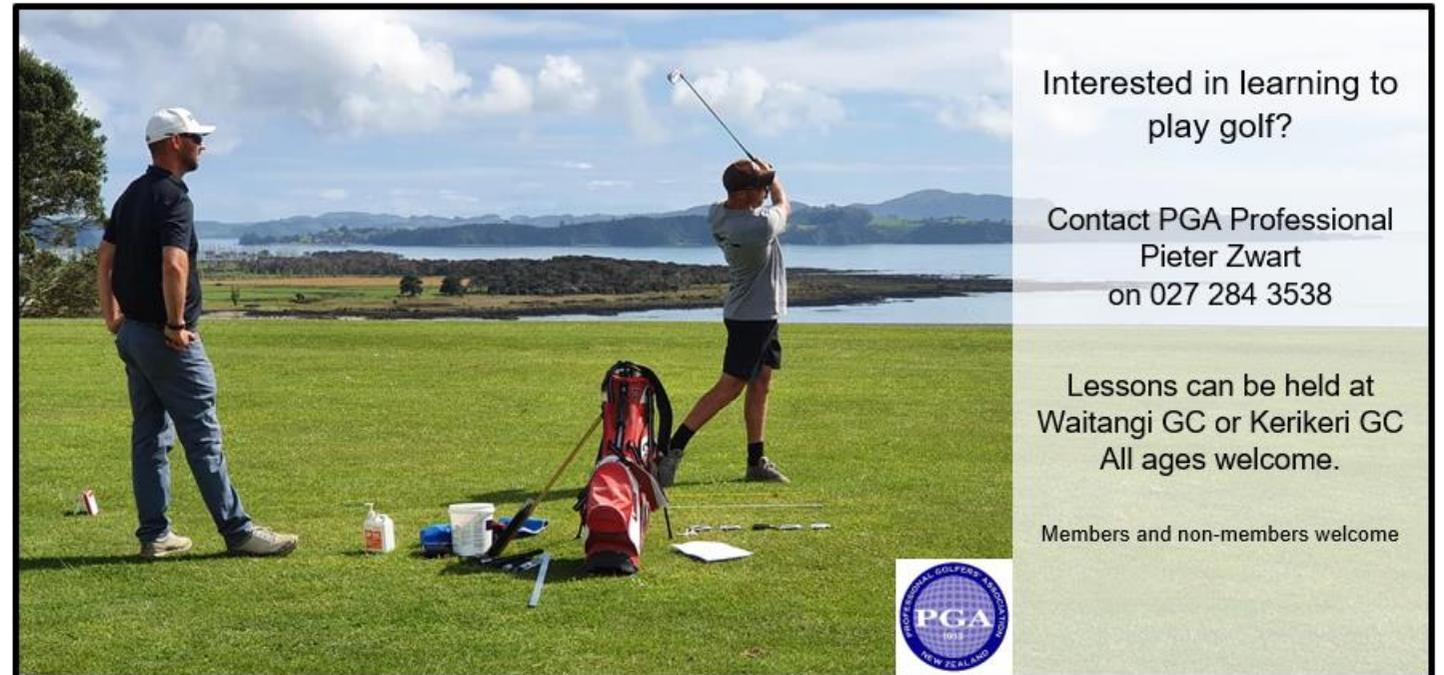
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If your 5 – 7 year old is showing an interest in music, the ENCORE ON KEYS Music Course is for you. This extremely good course is specifically designed to introduce music to young children. Ruth Simpson is very pleased to welcome a new teacher Amy Crisp to help her with this great way of teaching music to small groups of up to 6. At this stage a new class will be starting next term on Thursday and/or Friday afternoon. Ruth's music studio is situated in Kingston House, 123 Hone Heke Rd, Kerikeri. For enquiries and enrolment, phone Ruth Simpson (09) 402 8372 or 027 303 9577.



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Inline Hockey



HAVE-A-GO DAY

April 24th 2021,
10-12.30pm
Middle Sat of the School Hols

Time for Free Skate, Skate Drills, Watch a game then give it a go! Drinks, Snacks & Sausage Sizzle available
Please note Under 14's must be supervised

Bring Socks!



- School Hols skate sessions 2-4pm every week day
- We do Birthday parties!
- We also have Adult Social Teams – Wed/Sun night



Brush teeth with fluoride toothpaste for two minutes, twice a day

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Lit Quiz

We had two teams head to the Kids' Lit Quiz competition on the last day of March. Lit Quiz is an annual literature quiz for students aged 10 – 13 years.

Students are in teams of four and have to answer 100 questions on various children's literature. They are broken into ten categories, with each question valued at one point and a half point can be awarded at the discretion of the moderator.

Both teams did really well, with "Springbank 1" getting two top scores in different rounds, for a final score of 63. "Springbank 2" came away with 65.5, which is a fantastic result and gained them 3rd place overall.

Thank you to the Friends of Springbank who helped sponsor the entry for both teams. And thank you to our parent helpers on the day Jo Warren and Deb Blakeman.

- Jill Hatherly



Springbank 1: Lilly Hulse, Amber Warren, Eva Whyman and Clay Blakeman.



Springbank 2: Imogen Spooner, Sean Heath, Charlie Andrew and Evie Trotter.

Thoughts for the Week 2021:

Term 1, Week 6:

"Remember to reduce, re-use, and recycle!"

- Courtesy of Headstart

Term 1, Week 7:

"Respect other people's feelings. It might mean nothing to you, but it could mean everything to them."

Roy T. Bennett

- Courtesy of Mr Foster

Term 1, Week 8:

"Switch it off"

- Courtesy of Mrs Filer

Term 1, Week 9:

"Put down your device and pick up your life"

- Courtesy of Year 13

I wish you all a wonderful Easter break with your children.



Mike Warren, Principal



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