

IMPORTANT DATES TERM 4 2015

6 November	Pet Show at Mararoa / P.P. date 9 November
9 November	Tennis Coaching Lesson for each class
13 November	Inquiry Celebration Day
19 November	Rural School Sports Day at Garston
23 November	Swimsafe lessons begin. Daily lessons for next two weeks
30 November	Art Exhibition Begins – Mararoa Work on display at Westpac Bank
8 December	End of Year Prize Giving & Break Up Ceremony
9 December	Class Parties
10 December	School Fun Day
11 December	School Year Concludes

There is a buzz of excitement among the children this morning as they prepare for tomorrow's Pet Show. Questions have been raised over recent years as to the educational value of the Annual Pet Show and whether it is an outdated school event. For Mararoa School it is one of the highlights of our school year. Not only is it an important day for bringing our local community together, but it covers many key aspects of our school curriculum including the five key competencies;

- Relating to others
- Participating and contributing
- Thinking
- Using language symbols and texts
- Managing self

Last week four of our students represented Mararoa School at the Northern Primary Schools Tennis Champs with all four qualifying for the Southland Primary Tennis Champs. For a tiny school community like ours this is an outstanding achievement and we are incredibly proud of these students. Wow! Congratulations; Sid Spence 2nd, Cole Hegan 3rd Sophie Willans 2nd and Lucy Holmes-Crombie 3rd

Please keep a close eye on our school calendar as there is a lot happening over the next few weeks.

Class Awards

Friday 23 October 2015

Room Kiwi – **Lochlain King** – knows he can learn new things by giving it a go and practise.

Room Hohoi – **Charlie Carran** – for writing an amazing sea poem.

Room Tui – **Noah Temple** – for offering thoughtful ideas in our magnets topic.

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Room Kiwi – recipient was absent.

Room Hohoi – **Ivan Temple** – for demonstrating great multiplication strategies with real life situations.

Room Tui – **Cole Hegan** – for working quietly and efficiently in class.

Garston Rural Schools' Sports Day

We require parents to help with transport to Garston on Thursday 19 November. Leaving school at 8.25am. If you can help please would you phone the school a.s.a.p. Further details will follow as soon as we have them confirmed.

Assembly News

'Amazing Children' Lucky Draw Winners

Friday 23 October 2015

Lachlan Holmes-Crombie - putting great effort during writing time

School Values - Caring for Myself.

Friday 30 October 2015

Oliver Mann – demonstrating all fitness tasks sensibly and showing leadership to younger students.

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Pet Show Information

Please note that the Pet Show is a school event and all children are to wear school uniform.

Just a reminder that the bottom half of the uniform is ***plain black*** not blue. (No logos or stripes). Black items can be found at Postie Plus and The Warehouse.

Pebble Artwork – all pebble artwork needs be clearly labelled with your name and class year.

Postponement notice will be on MoreFM & Classic Hits.

Conservation Week

Conservation Week Fun Run/Walk

Enjoy getting outside and active in our beautiful backyard. Bring some friends and join personal trainer Casey Brown for a 5km run or walk around Lake Te Anau to Punanga Manu o Te Anau/Te Anau Bird Sanctuary and then on to Ivon Wilson Park.

Date: Saturday 7 November 2015

Time: 10.30am

Location: Meet at Fiordland National Park Visitor Centre

Cost: Free

Bookings are not required

Contact: Michelle Crouchley, email:

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Kepler Track Geocache Trail Challenge

Look out for the details of this competition in this week's edition of the Fiordland Advocate. Get out and find the 8 geocaches along the Kepler Track and be in to win some great prizes.

Cost: Free

Contact: Michelle Crouchley, email:

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Congratulations

Natalie Spence – 3rd place in the 2015 LIC Art Competition for age 5-7 years old.

Max Kempthorne – for winning a signed Stags Rugby ball in the Ricoh Stags Colouring competition.

Venture Southland Holiday Programme 2016

The programme runs from 10.00am – 3.00pm and caters for children aged 5 and above. Games, activities, arts, crafts and more. \$6.00 per child per day.

Te Anau Events Centre 5-7 January

Registrations can be made on line www.sdcholidayprogramme.co.nz or From Southland District Council area office or the Invercargill i-Site. We do have some registration forms here are school. Please contact us if you need one.