



Hataitai School Newsletter

Thursday April 14th 2011

Term 1 Week 11



Calendar

Last day of Term
Term Two
Quaffer's Quiz

Friday 15th April
Monday 2nd May
Saturday 28th May



Eyes
wide
open



Make the
Right
Choice



Bring out
the Best



Reach for
the Stars

Included This Week

Fundraising Focus
Community News
Holiday Programme Info
Sports News

An inspiration:

***'I hear and I forget. I see and I
remember. I do and I
understand.'***

- Chinese Quote

Kia Ora Koutou

Here we are already half way through the month of April and at the end of the first term for the year! The days have quickly gone by and when I reflect back on the Term, I believe it has been a busy and full one. I have now completed all the learning area formal visits, and I can confidently tell you all that your children are happy and highly engaged in their learning. They are keen to embrace every learning opportunity they are given and many are very aware of their own learning progress. My sincere thanks to all the teachers and the support staff for their excellent work and generosity of spirit towards the children and the wellbeing of the school over the term.

Last Thursday and Friday I attended two out of the three day National Primary Principals Conference held here in Wellington. The keynote speakers were from England, USA and China. The general theme was a reminder of how important that we as professionals must make the most out of every minute of the learning day for the children. And that it is important that the learning opportunities are varied and embrace our revised New Zealand Curriculum. I hope many of you have been able to attend and enjoy the Learning Celebrations held this week. They are a very real experience of the opportunities your children are receiving here at Hataitai School. Your child's Learning Journey book will come home this Friday. Please read these along with your child and celebrate their achievements. It would also be a good opportunity for you to discuss their 'next learning steps' for Term Two.

Again this week we have welcomed new pupils to Whakaari. We hope that Kate Clare and Madison Postlewaight and their families feel welcome and experience many happy years at our school.

As the children go home for the holidays and Easter we wish you all a wonderful two weeks and a very happy Easter. We hope you all have some very happy family time and that we all enjoy good weather.

Kind Regards,
Jacinta

Mutterings from a mother

Thank you to the NZRU for suggesting we change the school terms to fit around the Rugby World Cup. As a result I have two very tired children who are slowly limping towards the end of the term, with their mother limping along behind them! Add in the change from daylight saving and we've got a lethal cocktail.

On the plus side, #2 son had his first school visit last week, so the end is in sight. Upon arrival he caught up with a few old mates from kindergarten and had a bit of a look around before marching confidently up to the front of the mat to join in with the fist session of the day. He positively beamed when several children put up their hands when asked if they knew him...he knows he is well and truly in his comfort zone.

When I picked him up from kindergarten at the end of the day he wanted to know if his last visit was the next day..."you know Mummy, the one where I get to stay til lunchtime all by myself". He was quite put out when I explained that he would have to wait until after the holidays!

He is dying to get to school and this is reflected in his current behaviour! He is confident, cocky and generally slightly irritating at the moment... all signs that he is ready to move on to the next stage of his life.

Being at the local kindergarten for the last two years and knowing he is moving on to one of the two local schools has made the transition time really stress-free for him and us. Kindergarten has provided him with opportunities to explore, learn and develop friendships with the kids he will go through school with.

Likewise with school; he is going in to an environment that he is already familiar with and feels he belongs to, where his name is already up on the board in the classroom and his friends are there. Roll on May 16th. In the interim, I'm looking forward to two weeks with no school lunches to make, no homework, and hopefully children who are happy, relaxed and rested. Too much to hope for?

Enjoy the holidays!

Cheers
Merryn

Term dates for 2011

Term 2:	Monday 2 nd May to Friday 15 th July (School closed Friday 03/06 & Monday 06/06-Queen's Birthday)
Term 3:	Monday 1 st August to Friday 7 th October
Term 4:	Tuesday 25 th October to Tuesday 20 th December

Fundraising Focus

Quaffer's Quiz - Book In Saturday 28th May

Plans are well underway, a big thank you to all of those who are helping us out behind the scenes for this major 2011 fundraising event.

We do appreciate that there has been a lot of fundraising activity in 2011 for some very serious causes. It is also however important to note that fundraising is a key part of ensuring Hataitai School can provide our children with the best opportunities, and to acknowledge that it is only through the support of our school community that we can achieve this.

This Quaffer's Quiz will be a fun night out to catch up with your friends in the school community and enjoy a hilarious test of your tasting prowess about mysteriously "paper bagged" bottles of wine!

Funds raised will be used to support the continuation and extension of our 2011 licenses for the Mathletics subscriber website. This provides an incentivized fun and rewarding way for our children to reinforce mathematic concepts and knowledge taught in class. It also helps students increase their speed of fact recollection with challenges against themselves and others across the world!

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People are asking whether they need to be a wine tasting expert to participate in the evening - absolutely not, the ability to visually distinguish between red and white would however be helpful. We've also had questions about dress code - it's a fun casual evening, so you'll just make sure you're suitably covered!

Quaffer's Quiz ticket sales and promotion will start from the beginning of next term. So in the meantime, get in first and book the baby sitter to cover a fun filled evening here at the school from 7.30pm till 11pm. Start thinking about your tasting party - table teams of 10 or of course we can fix you up if you're not too fussy!

Last Call for Help

We are still very keen to find an offer of accommodation in Martinborough to include as an Quaffer's Quiz auction item - so if you have a bach and are in a position to help we would love to hear from you fundraising@hataitai.school.nz or if you get a bounce back from the school server traceyanddave@xtra.co.nz

Downtown Lunchtime Sausage Sizzles

Many thanks to those of you who have offered to help us out at the ASB in Lambton Quay.

We will be in touch shortly to confirm a date with you for next term.

Newsletters

Please 'Sign Up' to have your Newsletter emailed!!
Contact the Office to organise.

Email: office@hataitai.school.nz with your child's name (eldest/only) and 'Newsletter' in the subject line from the email address you'd like it sent to, or call into the Office! Also, a request to all new families to please sign up – it's a huge saving on school resources and for our environment!!



Student Accounts



Statements & receipts have been sent home
Please pay all outstanding payments
by cheque or cash directly to the Office
or pay online to:

Hataitai School ASB
12-3140-0331710-00

Swimming Lessons 2011 Starting Term 2 for Yrs 1-6

A notice has been sent home this week regarding lessons starting in Term 2. Please complete & return to the teacher before Friday 15th July. The cost will be \$65 per student.

<u>Year 1:</u>	Fridays 12-1pm	Starting 06/05 & finishing 15/07 (Exclusions: 03/06 & 01/07)
<u>Year 2/3:</u>	Wednesdays 12-1pm	Starting 04/05 & finishing 06/07
<u>Year 4/5:</u>	Thursdays 9-10am	Starting 05/05 & finishing 07/07 (Exclusions: 12/05 & 23/06)
<u>Year 6:</u>	Tuesdays 12-1pm	Starting 03/05 & finishing 05/07 (Exclusions: 21/06)



Sushi starts first week of Term 2

Don't forget to have orders in by 9am Wednesday, or make it easy on yourself and pre-pay for the whole term, just e-mail us at
wrapitupsushi@gmail.com

Photos

Inspire Photography will visit the school in late June to take class, individual & sports team photos.
The dates & times will be confirmed in the newsletter next term

Lost Property Last Chance Tomorrow!!



There is a large amount of lost property in the area beside the toilets in the middle block (by the Office) – lots of sweatshirts, a few jackets etc...

Please take the time to pop in & search for items that you're probably unaware are even missing or get your child to have a look!!

Any items still left on the last day of the term, will be donated to charity.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Cherrytree: Is a wholesale buying club selling over 450,000 brand name products at wholesale prices. Go to www.cherrytree.co.nz for more information and a FREE Guest Pass. Join Cherrytree before 30th June, mention Hataitai School and we will donate \$100 to the school.

Meridian Kids Bike Jams: This fun, participation based event is all about just giving it a go. To help make it more affordable for families we have a **cheaper early bird rate – but this closes on Tues 18th April** – just after school breaks for the holidays, with **entries closing Tuesday May 3rd. Visit: www.kidsbikejams.co.nz Wellington Region – Wainuiomata, Sun 8 May** The Jams are the only national mountain bike series for kids aged 5 – 13 years. **Have bike, can do** - courses are all off-road, on flat or rolling terrain, flash mountain bikes are not needed, kids just need a two wheeler with good brakes, and a helmet. Wicked fun for the kids', it's all about giving it a go. **Entry includes · Choice of 3 courses** - for kids of different abilities, · **Special 10th birthday medal, water bottle and reflector band · Spot prizes**

Professional couple looking for a large double room, now through to at least October. We're not scared of cleaning, will provide our own food, and of course pay board. And if you have a log fire we can even provide you with free, dry firewood!! A shed/basement to store 2 bikes would be a bonus but not essential. Please phone Donna on 801 2315 or 021 428 368.

Expert child-minder available: Fun, friendly, male trainee primary teacher (partner of Megan Hinge) with many years of child-care experience, available evenings and school holidays (day and evening). Advanced first aid certificate, Mr Fix it and pet minder. Contact Jules Townsend 021 100 6246

Dog Walking: Honey Brown Yr 7 would like to walk your dogs. Kind caring animal lover. Very responsible. Please phone 210 0971 or see Trina at school

Pregnancy Assistance: Do you need clothes, bedding, cloth nappies, or a bassinet for your baby? Pregnancy Assistance gives out FREE baby items to pregnant women and new mothers. Phone 3897122 for more info, or come in and see us at the St Vincent de Paul shop in Newtown. We are open from Wednesday to Friday between 10am and 2pm.

Wanted - Rabbit hutch or similar - please call Joanne 386 2851

Need Before School/After School Childcare?: NZ Nannies International have Au Pairs available to care for your children & help with housework for up to full time hours in exchange for free board and \$250 per week. The Au Pair can stay for 12-24 months as required. For more info go to www.nznannies.org.nz or email victoria@nznannies.org.nz"

Parent Help Wellington Inc. / Community Agency: Parent Help is a community agency that has been offering services to families since 1989. We cater for all parenting concerns, from the smallest problem to the most serious issues. We are an approved Child, Youth and Family Services provider. Our services include a 24 hour Parenting Helpline, Counselling and Family Therapy, Parenting Education Courses including the "Incredible Years Parenting Programme", and Information and resources for parents, professionals and agencies. It is offered to all parents free of cost. Phone: (04) 802 5767 Web-Site: www.parenthelp.org.nz Manager: Dale Powles

Whitiriaia Polytechnic: Has an expanding Cuba Mall campus with an international student section. These students can be in many disciplines - ESOL, journalism, performing arts. radio school etc. They will be 20 plus and so independent but often like to spend time with a local family. We are currently paying \$210 per week for board though this is being revised upwards. We are very interested in families for either short or long term homestay both now or in the future. Currently I am looking for a homestay for a 25 year old Russian girl who speaks good English and is doing a journalism course this year Please call me on 2329140 or 021 2384910

Cook Strait Toastmasters: (St Giles Church Annex, Kilbirnie Cres) "*Become the Speaker & Leader you want to be*" Tues evenings fortnightly 7:15 -9:15 www.cstoastmasters.wellington.net.nz Visitors are always welcome (18 yrs +)

LEARN TO PLAY THE FLUTE: Experienced and fun teacher, 8 years teaching experience, many styles, Students of all levels welcome. Contact Nell: 021 023 84741

Early Morning Outdoor Exercise Class: (Like a Bootcamp only better!) Mon, Wed 6.10am Cog Park, Hataitai Experienced Instructors Newcomers Welcome www.happybodies.co.nz happybodiesnz@gmail.com text.0274 589 779

Wrap it Up Sushi: are pleased to be offering sushi again on Thursday's. A flyer has been sent home (or visit the school website) for information on the varieties and pricing. If you'd like to pre-pay for a term order please e-mail Jane at wrapitupsushi@gmail.com

Do you need a part/full time nanny?: I have 17 years experience, my own car, am creative, dependable, flexible with hours, positive, energetic. Excellent refs on hand.ph 0274724965

Kid Sitting Available- Chrissy ex Hataitai pupil is available for kid/ babysitting. Lives locally and normally is free in weekends, Friday nights. Also can teach art if interested. Phone 027 841 0855 or 971 2418.

Babysitter Available: Experienced & reliable former Hataitai pupil available for babysitting. Please contact Holly Caughley on 027 728 1315

Babysitter Available: Friendly and mature babysitter available! Work full time in an early childhood centre and looking for weeknight and weekend babysitting! Call Ana on 027 3204671.

Tai Chi Group: Hataitai School Hall. Monday's 7pm-8pm. All enquiries to Bev Calvert 970 2655

Babysitter: ex Hataitai student responsible, reliable teenage girl keen to baby sit. Ph Anna on 386 3312

Holiday Programme Information

Hataitai Hararei April 2011 Holiday Programme: There'll be lots to do and see and make in April. A trip to Capital E, our usual art programme, an Easter Egg hunt are all on offer. Please visit the school website at www.hataitai.school.nz, go to the Holiday programme page, and download the schedule appropriate for your child - one for years 0-3, one for years 4-8, and what's on offer. You'll need to complete a Booking form where you can tell us what days you want, and an Enrolment form which tells us about your child or children. If you have enrolled with us before, we may be able to pre-populate the Enrolment form for you. Just ask us. Enrolment and booking forms can now be emailed to hataitai.hararei.enrol@gmail.com. Payment can be made online, or by cash or cheque. Details are on the Booking form. For more info contact the Programme Manager (Aya Kovesy) on (021) 174 8067/(04) 934 8067, or email aya.kovesy@paradise.net.nz

School Holiday Computer Classes: Educational and enjoyable. One day to one week holiday computer classes for ages 5 to 15. Create 3D games, web design, animations, art and graphics, video editing, programming, PowerPoint, Excel, Word, Access or build and upgrade computers. For further information call Ed Brown on 499 2211 or www.grandtraining.co.nz.

3D Bubble Workshops: Have you ever wondered how 3D movies like Toy Story and computer games are made? Learn the latest in 3D Animation and Games Design on a Bubble Dome School Holiday workshop these holidays. For students aged 6 to 18 years. Tel: 0800 GET BUBBLE (438-282) Text: 0270 273 7407 or Email: info@bubbledome.co.nz or Book online at: www.bubbledome.co.nz

KNIGHTS OF THE KING HOLIDAY PROGRAM: The King calls all fearless knights and lovely ladies... Date: Tues 26th- 29th April, Time: 10am – 12.30pm Venue: All Saints Church, 90 Hamilton Road, Hataitai Ages: 5-10 year olds. Cost: By koha (daily gold coin per child) Bookings essential. Go online to register www.allsaints.org.nz More info on 971 2142

Kelly Sports April Holiday Action: Kelly Sports is running holiday programmes in both weeks of the April holidays. We offer fun, active and challenging programmes for ages 5-10. We run Football, Netball and Mixed Sports workshops aimed at developing sporting skills and improving game play, spatial awareness and teamwork. This holidays we are also launching Kelly Club, our new fulltime holiday care programme. Check out www.ksports.co.nz for more details or call Libby in the office on 049727201. Kelly Sports our fliers are now out for our varied and exciting Term 2 Programmes, Fun Fundamentals and Autumn Antics, keep an eye out for them at school or go to our website for more details. Enrolments now open, spaces are limited – don't miss out!

Newtown Movie School: Making stop motion movies in the school holidays. Monday 18 to Wednesday 20 April 2011 (3 days - 9am to 5pm) Cost \$200 Nitro Movie Challenge Monday 18 to Friday 22 July 2011 (5 days - 9am to 5pm) Cost \$200 Programmes are limited to 12 children aged 9 to 15. Registration forms and examples of our previous movies are on our website - www.acumen.net.nz/pages/MovieSchool.html Or contact Craig Lauridsen (04 389 1000 / 021 966 277) or craig@acumen.net.nz

Happy Hands Creative Classes: For Kids in the school holidays at Johnsonville Community Centre, Room 4. Ceramics, Mosaics, Learn to Sew/Knit, make Pens & Magnets, canvas painting and much more fun. View classes and book online at www.happyhandslimited.com

April School holidays at Capital E: This April Capital E are excited to present MIRROR MAGIC, an interactive exhibition where you can explore the incredible world of mirrors and optical illusions with loads of fun hands-on experiences. In specialised workshops you can create your own mysterious CAMERA OBSCURA or star in your own 3D HOLOGRAPHIC FILM. You can reflect yourself back to the world too, in MANY ME'S, a new technology workshop covering everything from creating blogs to 3D worlds. The National Theatre for Children brings back the much-loved SONGS OF THE SEA, always a hit with younger audiences. Afterwards join us in the playground to make your own fishy friends to take home! www.capitale.org.nz 04 913 3740

ZEALANDIA KIDS ADVENTURE BY NIGHT: Join our ranger guide to learn about the weird and wonderful world of weta, kiwi, tuatara, glow-worms and other special creatures who only venture out at night. Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 6pm - 7:30pm. Kids (7-12 yrs) \$15, Adults \$30. Booking essential. (04) 920 9200.

BUILD YOUR OWN WETA HOTEL

Build your very own take-home weta hotel to put in your garden and watch the wonderful world of weta.

Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 11am - 12am. Booking essential. Free with admission.

PLUS EVERYDAY

Free boat rides 11am – 3pm (weather permitting).

Free explorer trail activity sheets.

Free ranger talks 12pm, 1pm, 2pm, 3pm.

Flippaball

Draw for **Friday 15th April**

Hataitai v Miramar North 1 3.45pm



A closely contested game against MNS last Friday, the team were committed, a 7-5 loss but a great effort. Player of the day was **GEORGE WALKER** for great shots on goal.

Waterpolo



SEMI FINAL against Scots

Who could have predicted our Year 7/8 team would play one of their best team games of water polo ever after being on camp for the entire week. There were ominous signs from the start it was going to be a battle against an all boys line up from Scots. At full time the game was drawn so we entered extra time. Hataitai showed real backbone when with a minute to play, 2 goals down and Scots passing it from their goalie to defense, we pressurised them into mistakes to draw even with 5 seconds to play. The goal scored by Hataitai in the final 3 seconds was enjoyed by the team and their huge following of spectators. Fantastic effort from all the team. This put us into the final against Holy Cross.

FINAL against HOLY CROSS

We knew this game was going to be tough but it was what we were waiting for – we were even with them for most of the first half with some strong marking. At half time no one liked the scoreline and although we tried to pressure the goalie our shots were not sticking. The best part of the game is that we never gave up. Well done to all team members – Evie, Courtney, Amelia, Emma, Tessa, Alex, Adam, Dylan, Henry and Izzy on a great season. Bring on Term 4 Water Polo.

2011 Sporting Fixtures coming up

Tue 10 May	PSW Football Tournament Year 7-8, mixed and an All girls team	MacAlister Park
Wed 18 May	Eastern Zone Netball Year 4-8	Hataitai Park
Fri 27 May	HATAITAI School Cross Country Year 4-8	Mt Victoria townbelt
Wed 15 Jun	Eastern Zone Cross Country Year 4-8	Martin Luckie Park
Tue 21 Jun	PSW Interzone Cross Country Year 4-8	tba
Wed 29 Jun	Eastern Zone Hockey Year 5-6 (maybe Year 4 if numbers needed)	NHS Mt Albert

PSW Football Tournament results



On Tuesday the weather was perfect for a great day of football.

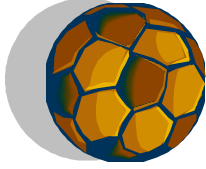
Congratulations to our 41 students who represented Hataitai School at this tournament. 72 teams from all over Wellington took part in this and our students played at least 5 games of football during the day.

Thanks to our Referees Patrick Knowles, Richard Williams, Robert Cox and Kurt Hollis and our managers Nicola, Jo, Leanne and Jono Cordwell for your three E's -Energy, Encouragement and Enthusiasm. We really appreciate you being with us for the day.

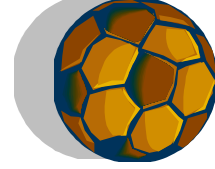
Congratulations to our students on your outstanding results

1. **1st Year 4 Mixed Team** George, Aidan, Heath, Finbar, Bevan, Dom, Emila, Emma T, Emily R, Caitlin, Jesse
2. **10th Year 5 Mixed Team** Matthew, Will, Oliver, Haven, Josh, Xavier, Winnie, Molly, Stella, Georgia
3. **4th Year 6 Mixed Team** Henry, Adam, Nate, Alex, Jack A, Ethan, Cici, Megan, Kiriahi, Jack W
4. **2nd Year 4-6 Girls Team** Maddie, Ella U, Morgan, Bridgette, Alexandra, Charlotte, Eliza, Britney, Manon, Isla





Hataitai School Football



Weekend Review

The junior teams played their first matches this weekend and all got off to a winning start! Well done in particular to the Panthers for claiming a hard earned win in a close game. The Jaguars and Pumas both hit six as they played out frenetic goal feasts which left the coaches and spectators on tenterhooks for the whole game. Declan Cooper came up with a late winner for the Jags whilst Aidan Knowles fired home four for the Pumas. The girls' teams also kept up their good starts on Sunday with the Ocelots making it two straight wins and great efforts from the Pussycats and Cheetahs. Energy exerted on the year 7/8 camp probably caught up with the older girls but the Wildcats hung on for a well earned draw.

Practices and Games in the Easter Holidays

As usual, there will be games on the first & last weekend of the holidays but no games on the middle weekend (being the Easter weekend of 23/24 April). Coaches will let you know of any changes to usual practice times & venues and will also advise match times & venues for 30 April / 1 May – you can also check the Capital Football website. Please let coaches know in advance if you are away for practice or games.

Nursery Grade

The first session last Saturday was a great success and enjoyed by all. The sessions will continue to be held at Kilbirnie School at 9.30 am on Saturday morning and Paul Touhey will advise any changes to the schedule.

Results: for 9/10 April were:

Team	Grade	Opponents	Result	Player of Day	Goalscorers
Panthers	7 th	BNU Tornadoes	1 - 0	Oliver Spicer	Oliver
Jaguars	8 th	Onslow Dekkas	6 - 5	Jayden Vallabh	Declan 2, Louis 3, Michali
Pumas	8 th	Onslow Tensings	6 - 4	Ben Ward	Aidan 4, Ben 2
Tigers	11th	Onslow Spencers	1 - 8	Eliza Hollis	Alex
Leopards	12th	Karori Vipers	1 - 4		
Ocelots	9 th girls	Onslow Thndn Tigers	1 - 0	Charlotte Cordwell	Eliza
Pussycats	10 th girls	Karori Black Angels	1 - 0	Scarlett Matterson	Winnie
Cheetahs	10 th girls	Onslow Burmas	4 - 2	Ella Underhill	Georgia 2, Ella U, Holly
Wildcats	12 th girls	Onslow Hekes	1 - 1	Honey Brown	Ellie
Topcats	13 th girls	Stokes Valley Magic	1 - 6	Courtney Cooper	Shaylee

Fixtures: We have two teams with byes this weekend - the draw for 16/17 April is:

Team	Grade	Opponents	Time	Venue
Panthers	7 th	Olympic Zeus	10am	Tanera 3
Jaguars	8 th	IBU Bluefins	10am	Treasure Grove
Pumas	8 th	Seatoun Ants	9am	Crawford 3
Tigers	11th	BNU Turbines	11am	McAlister 3
Leopards	12th	Onslow Amritsars	2.30pm	Nairville Turf
Ocelots	9 th girls	Miramar Diamonds	9.35am	Te Whaea 2
Pussycats	10 th girls	Wgtn Utd Blue Dragons	8.45am	Te Whaea 2
Cheetahs	10 th girls	Bye		
Wildcats	12 th girls	IBU Yellow	10am	Nairville Turf North
Topcats	13 th girls	Bye		

TERM 2 BADMINTON



Inter-School Challenge 2011

No experience required!

Year 5, 6, 7 and 8 students

-TUESDAY (first timers)

Year 7 & 8 students

-WEDNESDAY (experienced)

NOTE : Wednesday will be offered to Year 7/8 students who have played before and if any additional space it will then be offered to other experienced players.

Competition starts

Tue 10th May - Tue 5th July – Year 5/6/7/8 TUESDAY

Wed 11th May – Wed 6th July -Year 7/8 WEDNESDAY

VENUE: Wellington Badminton Hall, 1 Ruahine Street, HATAITAI

TIME: 3.30-5.00 pm

COST: \$20.00 per person

TEAM: Consists of 3 students per team. Teams can be mixed, with any ratio of boys to girls.

PLAY: Each player has 2 games of doubles per tie. Each game is 8 minutes long.

Each tie consists of 3 matches. The team that wins the most matches is deemed the winner. If matches are equal then the team with most points will win, if points are equal the result will be a draw.

Depending on entries each team will play 2 matches each day. Each match should take 30 minutes.

want to play?

SIMPLE

- Go to the office and do the following
- Write your name on the list with your preferred day Tuesday or Wednesday
 - Bring \$20.00 to pay for the term
- No Pay = No Play, you will not be entered into a team unless you have paid

Year 4 Boys

We are still interested in recruiting another Year 4 boy to play hockey for Hataitai School hockey this year.

Games are played on a Saturday morning either at the Indian Cultural Centre - Kilbirnie or Northland Hockey Grounds.

Practice is on Mondays at lunchtime at school.

Term 1 Sports Review

The Sports and Outdoors student leadership team have been very busy this term promoting this area in the school. This team is led by Dylan and Ruby and includes; Emma, Luke, Jed, Evie, Alex, Evie and Mia.

The team had a sports focused day where they cleaned out the PE shed (including water blasting!), audited the equipment, set goals for the year and set up for the disco. The team worked hard at the school disco with the netball students and raised money that was to go towards filling our depleted PE shed with much needed balls and sports equipment.

Our first order of 200 balls (seen in the photo) is now being enjoyed by our school community. We are also putting a second order in soon so watch out for all our new gear!



Term One has been a very busy term filled with a wide range of sporting opportunities. We have sent teams from Hataitai School to Eastern Zone Cricket (Year 5/6 and 7/8), Rippa Rugby Tournaments (Year 4 and Year 5-8), Eastern Zone Miniball and PSW football (Year 4/5/6). Students represented Hataitai School well and followed the Hataitai Way. The student leaders will make a display of pictures for each event which will be displayed in the library. They will also create a picture page and blurb for the Hataitai School Web site.

The sports page on the Hataitai School Website (www.hataitai.school.nz) is in its infancy but will build throughout the holidays and next term. You will be able to access the clubs and photo pages for each event under the name of the sport. We will also include the sports pages from the newsletter so you can access them independently. As the winter sports start if you have an action shot of your team with a blurb you would like included on the site please email it to Claire (claire@hataitai.school.nz) and she will post it.

We have had tremendous support from the parent community for these sporting events and fundraising. We really couldn't do it without you. Thank you so much, the students really enjoy these extra opportunities.

Next term will also be busy with all the winter sports. We have PSW football (Year 7/8) on 10th May, Eastern Zone Netball (18th May), School (27th May) and Eastern Zone Cross country (15th June – this date is still to be confirmed by PSW) and Hockey (29th June). The school will also be offering swimming lessons to Year 1-7 students (please make sure your notices are returned and remember your togs on the first week!). We will be having another fundraising disco with the hockey students supporting it.

Natalie Moore and Pip Caughley