

LONGBURN SCHOOL

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'Sowing seeds of possibility, on a pathway to potential'

Learning Community—Learning Excellence—Learning for a lifetime

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

15TH AUGUST 2013



WELCOME YANQIU.... We would like to welcome Yanqui to Longburn School. Yanqui is with us for the next three weeks to observe New Zealand schooling and to share her culture and language and experiences with us. Yanqui has great English and is very interesting to talk to. So if you see her walking around school, say hi and have a chat! Thanks to the Hunt family for kindly hosting her.

CHECK OUT our great new website www.longburn.school.nz !!! Thanks to Martin (our talented ICT Lead Teacher) and Scott Southwood (talented youth member of our community) for their work in getting this website designed and launched. We are still adding features to help with sharing of school information and children's' learning/experiences with those interested in visiting the site.



HOME-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION BOOKS...

Please make sure that your child brings this book to school every day as this is the number one way of communication between the school and yourself each day if you do not pop in or phone to communicate messages/requests or the teachers need to send a message home if they don't catch up with you during the day. If the notebook is lost (or misplaced) then please purchase a new one and send it to school with your child.

ABSENTEES Each day the roll is taken electronically. This is then checked by our lovely office manager who will then follow up the 'absentees' with a phone call to the parent/ caregiver. If your child is going to be absent from school or late (due to medical appointments) then it would be helpful if you could please phone the school

office before 9:10am to advise this, leaving a message, or texting 0274269994 if there is no reply. This process is set in place purely for the safety and wellbeing of **our** children.

JUMP JAM FESTIVAL... The children have been starting to practice their dances with enthusiasm. **Please remember that the school will be closing early (12:30pm) on the 6th September** to enable the children some 'down-time' and for the staff/parent helpers to set up the venue. The actual festival kicks off at 6:30pm at the QEC Hall. Please get in quick to order tickets from our office. They are \$2 each and we have a limited number to offer as this is a cluster event of 9 schools and last time we were full to overflowing.

SPEED LIMIT REVIEW (PNCC)... A submission was lodged with the PNCC recently in regards to the current speed limit review that is taking place in Palmerston North. This was done on behalf of the school as the council is looking at speed limit options around school zones, but also as part of a response to plans for the local speed restrictions that could be implemented. **We are keen to see speed limits reduced in Longburn (in general) and for there to be better pedestrian crossing facilities.** The faster the cars are traveling when they hit a pedestrian the higher the chance of a fatality.

CHESS TOURNAMENT.... Well it was great to have the Intermediate Secondary Chess Tournament here last Thursday. Our students had a great time, with the challenge of playing against other experienced players. Our guests on-site, commented on the feel of the school. So thank you to all. Please turn over to view photos of our team.

"It takes a whole village to raise a child" is one that depicts the need for us all to contribute, in our own special way, to ensure that **'our'** children reach their potential. **Our village is our school community.** *Your children are our children.* How well will we touch the future through our children?

Jo Emerson—Proud Principal of Longburn School

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DIARY DATES

20th August	7pm—Rm3 Meeting (in Hall)
23rd August	School Disco
27th August	Culinary Group
30th August	School assembly 2:20pm
6th September	Jump Jam Festival—QEC Hall 6:30pm
26th September	Te Kawa Speech Competition

PUBLIC NOTICES PUBLIC NOTICES



School Fundraiser PINECONES FOR SALE

\$5 per bag

Pinecones are available to be picked up from school.

\$5 per bag (usually \$10 elsewhere). Some of our students collected these in their own time and spent several hours doing so. PLEASE SHOW SUPPORT FOR THEIR EFFORTS BY SPREADING THE WORD AND GETTING SOME ORDERS IN.



'Back when I was young

Do you catch yourself saying this about your childhood memories?

Our childcare centre is now open, Cnr Milson Line & Te Arakura Road. We can offer your child the opportunity to have childhood memories just like yours. Located on 3.5 Acres * Rural location, rural activities * Opportunity for daily animal interaction * 2 – 5 year olds * Open 8am-4pm © Monday to Friday (full sessions). For more information check out our website www.countrykindy.co.nz and follow our journey on facebook www.facebook.com/countrykindyinfo. Or call us on (06) 323 2032 for more information.

Kairanga Kids Disco - Friday 30th August

Kairanga Community Hall, Kairanga-Bunnythorpe Road
Palmerston North. DJ - Anton

6.00 - 8.30pm Tickets available soon at office. There will be a sit down break for supper. \$5.00 entry and food.

PTA NOTICES

DOUGHBOY FAMILY PIES

Order and money is due tomorrow by 3pm.

Please place orders with Rachel or leave in the silver office tin.

Your orders will be ready for collection from the school hall

On Friday, 28th August.

2013 SCHOOL DISCO

23 August 2013—\$2.00 entry fee

Chippies, drinks and glow sticks

will be for sale on the night

**There will be two time slots,
juniors and seniors.**

More information to come.



WANTED—cardboard tubes from kitchen rolls eg; foodwraps, handy towels.

FOUND—a toy dog was found in the swimming pool area, if this is yours, please claim it from the office.

PUKEKO DRAW



Children who made it into this fortnight's draw by having enough points under one of our PB4L Values and being one or all of the following—'Respectful, Responsible, Positive, Learners'.

Room 2—Brady, Isabel H, Ocean, Trinity, Isabel D, Hannah, Cory, Louie, Dylan, France, Sean.

These students all received free extra playtime as a reward.

The student drawn and received a prize from our special prize box: France

Congratulations to you all!!!
Keep up the good work.

INTERMEDIATE SECONDARY CHESS TEAM FROM LONGBURN SCHOOL

