

# 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—9TH MAY 2013

**WORKING BEE...** Thanks to all those who braved the weather to participate in the recent working bee. A great deal was achieved despite the weather not being the best. Thanks again for your support.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS...** If you are interested in being on the Board and would stand for an election if nominated, then please come along to the Wine and Cheese evening tonight (9th May) at 7pm in the school hall. This gives you an opportunity to 'schmooze' with the Board, finding out what is involved in being a BOT member. Please remember to have your nomination into Returning Officer (Longburn School, Office) by 17th May, noon.

**3 WAY CONFERENCES....** These are scheduled to take place next Monday and Tuesday (13th and 14th May). Your child should have taken home a form for you to fill in and return to the school office to book a time on one of these dates. If you have not received this form then please contact Rachel at the office to schedule a time to meet with your child's teacher. Meetings can be arranged at another time and day if you are unable to meet on the specified dates. Please advise your child's teacher if you are unable to attend and require another meeting date and time.

**E-LEARNING FEES....** At the beginning of this year we set a new 'E-Learning Fee' of \$5 per term to contribute to the extra costs the school incurs from online registrations/subscriptions to enable students access to further resources to enhance their learning. We have since looked into the legitimacy of this cost being a fee that is charged to parents after a vigilant BOT member queried whether it should actually be part of the 'donation' we request per student.

After receiving advice from several sources we believe (and agree with the BOT member who raised the concern) that this is not a compulsory fee. If you are not concerned about this and are happy to contribute by way of 'donation' the \$5 per term (\$20 per year) then it will be much appreciated (and well utilised). If you would like a refund of the amount you may have already paid this year then please don't hesitate to request this from Rachel, our lovely Office Manager.

**PUKEKO LOYALTY CARD DRAW...** Congratulations (and a big thank you) to Lisa Satterthwaite (and John) for all their help at school. Lisa won the draw at the end of term 2. Another big note of thanks goes out to Rowena Hunt as well for all her ongoing support. Rowena was also in the draw

again, unfortunately for her the odds were not on Rowena's side at the time of the draw as there were only two cards in the draw and hers was once again not the one to be pulled out. Maybe third time lucky Rowena. If you have helped out around school at any time and/or attended different activities/events then please make sure you get your card stamped before the next draw at the end of this term. We really appreciate your help/support/participation and this is another way of acknowledging it.

**X-COUNTRY Training...** The children will all be training hard out this term for our school event (and for some, the Te Kawau event). The children have daily opportunities to increase their fitness levels at school and can, dependent on weather, also develop their ability to complete longer distances. Please encourage and support them to train outside of school hours as well. The fitter they are the easier it is for them to participate/compete. For those who are keener on the competition aspect of X-Country, we will organize some training over a longer distance but will need parent support to do this (in the way of supervision and/or transport). A note will be sent home with your child if they express such an interest and we support their participation in this extra training.

**WHANAU GROUP labels on school uniforms...** We will endeavor to get all students tops fitted with these labels over the course of this term. If your child has a second (or third) school top that doesn't have the label on it then please send it along to school on Thursday of any given week. Danielle has kindly offered to take the tops home and sew the labels on.

**LONGBURN CULINARY (alias. baking and cooking) CLUB...** Our next session is on Tuesday, 28th May in the school hall kitchen, kicking off at 6:30pm. Sandy has kindly offered to do a demonstration on 'soufflé making'.

**FAREWELL....** Sadly for us, over the school holidays the Neall family secured the purchase of a home on the other side of Palmy and have unfortunately had to transition their children (Jordan, Katie and Rose) into a new school. We are sure you will be missed by many but wish you all the best for the future. We look forward to our paths crossing in the future (Palmy isn't big enough for them not to).

*Jo Emerson—Proud Principal of Longburn School*

## SCHOOL CONTACT

### DETAILS...

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## DIARY DATES

9th May  
13th May  
17th May  
28th May

7pm—Wine and Cheese Evening (for BOT Elections)  
PTA meeting at school hall 3:15pm  
School Assembly—2:20pm  
6:30pm—Longburn Culinary Group

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**School fundraiser—PINECONES FOR SALE...** We have a limited number of bags of pinecones for sale as a fundraiser. Please place your order at the office. Pinecones will be available to be picked up from school during the last week of term. \$5 per bag.

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**Tennis Manawatu** would like to invite you to our first Grasshopper Tournament of the Winter to be held at Te Kawau Memorial Recreation Centre (Wye Street) on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at 1:30-3pm. The cost will be \$10 per child. No previous Tennis experience is required, 5-11 year olds are all welcome. Rackets are available if required. Tournament will go ahead rain, hail or shine. Please register by phoning Lyn on (06) 350 2966 or email [lyn@tennismanawatu.org.nz](mailto:lyn@tennismanawatu.org.nz)

### Parentline Manawatu inc. -What's On?

Parents looking for some encouragement & support? Parentline offers confidential counselling. Whether it is support with a particular problem parents/caregivers are facing or whether they just need a place to sound things out, personal or child related - a counsellor can help them to get perspective and reach solutions. Contact Parentline for an appointment 3551655. Courses that are available on parents noticeboard in school foyer.

**Red Cross Annual Book Sale**—24, 25, 26 May at the Barbour/Bell halls in Waldegrave St, Palmerston North. Great selection, great bargains!

### NOTE FROM THE PTA

The Colgate Carton Race is on again and we are collecting cartons. This year there are lots more prizes which means we have a much better chance at winning. So ask

## PUKEKO TERMLY LUNCH WINNERS

**Term 1 winners were:**

Shane, Mereana,

Isabel Harris and Bree

**Dined out at Valentines.**

Congratulations to those students.

Mrs Connelly also joined in on the lunch as it was her birthday.



## 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 1**— Alex, Ashton, Bethany, Daniel, Harrahsyn, Jontae, Katie, Lamour, Lilia, Luisa, Monique, Payton

**Room 2**— Jake, Dontal, Louie, Dylan, Jame, Jamie, Brady, France, Izaak, Heidi, Isabel H, Isabel D, Serena, Vealata, Ocean, Trinity, Amelia

**Room 3**— Joriel, Ryan, Brianna, Thomas, Liam Street, Abigail

These students all received free extra playtime as a reward.

The following students had their names drawn and received a prize from our special prize box: Chase, Jake, Katie



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

## MONITORS LUNCH

Term 4 2012 and Term 1 2013



To show our appreciation to our volunteers, these students recently enjoyed a hot lunch:

Bree, Regan, Leon, Pacey, Aliyah, Brianna, Chenicqua-Ray, Jake, Ngarini, Ravenlee, Ocean, Sarah, Abigail, Hannah, Vealata, Arahia, Trinity

We would like to acknowledge the businesses below who support/sponsor our school with either goods or services.

**When able, please support our sponsors, as they support us!**

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