



www.mimi.school.co.nz

December 2017

Kia ora whanau,

This week brings to a close another extremely busy and highly successful school year at Mimi. From success in sport, to continuing to hold on to our rural character through another massive Pet Day and Old School Gala, we have done our best to provide a wide range of opportunities for our community's children. From surfing to caving, lugeing to sailing we really have done it all!

As for the core areas, we are also pleased to be able to report that our children have continued to make considerable progress in the '3 Rs'. The school roll looks to be on the grow again next year as we welcome more of our community's children into the school as five-year-olds in the New Year.

As the principal, I would like to acknowledge the work of all of the people who make an amazing contribution to the school. Donna, Andrew, Davis, Greg, Sarah and Sibylle all work tirelessly as members of the Board of Trustees to ensure that we are providing the best opportunities we can for our children, all of the amazing things that our kids are lucky to be able to do here at school stem from their work and guidance. Also supporting us is an amazing group of parents who make up our Home and School. Without their willingness to 'get behind' the school and raise funds to 'turn our dreams into realities' very little of the

'special character' activities that make Mimi the great school it is would happen successfully. A huge thank you to both the Board and Home & School for all their hard work and support to the staff and children throughout the year.

The key to a successful school is a great staff, and in all honesty Mimi School is extremely lucky to have the greatest staff there are. As a new Principal I am extremely grateful for all the support that staff have provided me over the last two terms. On behalf of our school whanau I would like to acknowledge and thank the staff for all the hard work that they put into providing a huge variety of opportunities and bringing school to life for our kids. The successes that our children experience on a daily basis are due in part to the relationships they have formed with their teachers and their teachers' dedication to make learning exciting. I am very fortunate to be leading such a dedicated staff, who all have the best for our kids at heart.

Another great year for the Mimi School whanau has been measured by, enjoyed with, and is completely due to the most amazing kids that could fill any school. Our children's attitudes to everything they do is phenomenal. They grab every opportunity with both hands and a smile on their faces. The children and their whanau should be extremely proud of the progress they have made in and out of



MIMI SCHOOL



where the country, coast, and classroom meet

Produced and published by Mimi School,
23 Pukearuhe Road, RD 44, Urenui, Phone: 06 75 23617
Email: admin@mimi.school.nz

the classroom this year. I am very privileged and honoured to be able to be one of the people that has the pleasure to spend time with your children every day. I am already looking forward to all of the awesome things we have planned for next year.

Thank you again for all your support and for making me feel so welcome in this magic little corner of Taranaki. My best wishes to you all for the festive season, rest up and enjoy the break.

Nga mihi nui
Jared Holden
Principal

Tough Kids

Our Year 5 and 6 Students went to the Sport Taranaki Tough Kids Challenge at Yarrows Stadium.



Wet 'n Wild Water Fun

The children had an awesome time at our Wet 'n Wild Water Fun Afternoon last week. We had the waterslide out, and children, staff and some keen parents had water balloon and water gun fights.



Christmas Crafts in the Junior Class

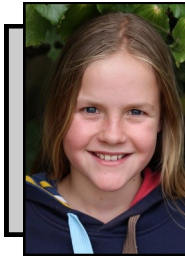
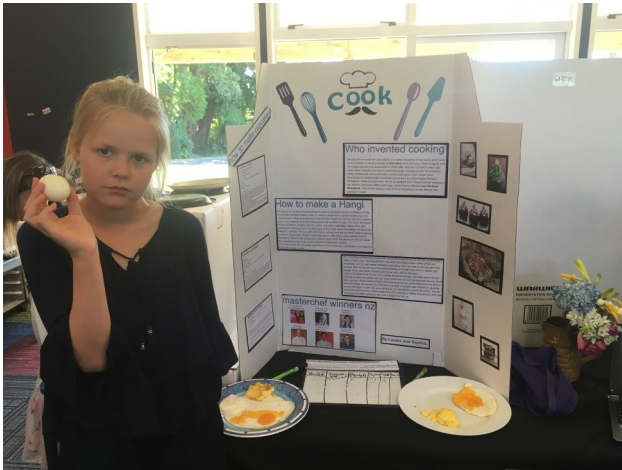
Thanks to Lisa McClutchie for doing some Xmas Crafts with the Juniors.



Mimi School acknowledges our wonderful supporters Waitoitoi Rural Women Great work ladies! We love your work!

Passion Projects

The Senior Class has been working on their passion projects during this term. They produced amazing displays of their chosen projects.



Baker Family Cup for Literacy Achievement

Olivia Sulzberger

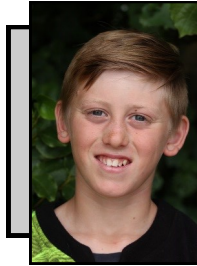
Lowe Family Cup for Academic Achievement

Sophia Sulzberger

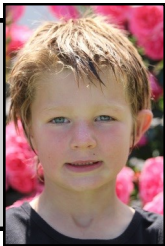


Chris Wise Contracting Cup for Diligence

Elye Fawcner



End of Year Prizegiving

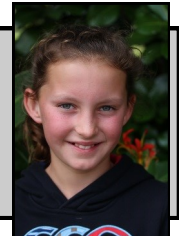


Betty Blundell Cup for Junior Learner

Antoni Wallace

Radcliffe Trophy for Leadership and Empathy

Zsalea Ellis



Kay Sarten Cup for Mathematical Achievement

Sophia Sulzberger



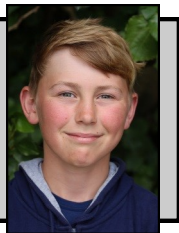
Whittaker-Phillips Family Cup for Sporting Achievement

Louise Blyde



Baker Family Environmental Cup

James Hill



Farewell Year 6's

We wish you all the very best for the next stage of your school life.



Rimu Recounts

Abseiling at Camp

We arrived at Stub's Farm on 25 October. We walked to where we were going to do all the activities. We got split up into groups. I did abseiling first and was really excited but a little bit nervous.

First we practiced on a steep hill and when we felt like we were really good at it we moved to the big cliff. It was pretty high and when it finally got to my turn, it was pretty freaky at first but then I got used to it. I got to the bottom really quickly.

I learnt a lot because abseiling is hard. You might worry about how high it is but it is totally safe and you cannot fall.

By William Honeyfield



Caving at Camp

On the second day of camp we went to Waitomo Caves. The glow worm caves were amazing. Walking through the cave was awesome, especially seeing the natural statues. You had to use your imagination. I saw Gary (from Spongebob).

Next we had to go in a boat to get out of the glow worm cave. That was when we got to see all the glow worms. The boat went through the inside of the cave. When you first got in the boat it was a bit wobbly and it was as dark as midnight. All you could see was the blue light of the glow worms pressed against the black background. It was fabulous to gaze at all of the glow worms on the top of the rough cave ceiling.

I had never seen so many glow worms. It was the best senior camp ever!

By Olivia Sarten, Amy Honeyfield and Alicia Mattock

Paraninihi Planting

It was the 8th November and Katia, Queenie, Mrs O'Sullivan, a couple of parents and I were going to White Cliffs to plant a native forget me not. Also coming with us was a worker from DOC and three other kids from Moturoa School.

Once we finally arrived at the White Cliffs walkway we got out of the cars and started the trip. After walking for over a painful hour, we finally arrived at our destination. We had a quick lunch break then went to the small camping site and planted the plants down by the creek. After that, we walked back over the stairs to the cars.

I had an excellent experience doing the planting and felt like I had helped the environment.

By James Hill.



Pet Day

Pet Day was epic! We made heaps of cool craft things like miniature scenes, metal creations, art works and decorated cupcakes. When we arrived we wanted to see who the winners were. Everyone was there on time. The junior lambs and senior calves were judged first. It was extremely cute watching the juniors walk their lambs around. The senior lambs and junior calves were judged second.

The overall winner of the calves was Katia McClutchie as well as overall winner, for junior lambs it was Ryan Sarten. The senior lambs winner was Kaia Elliott. We also had a cake auction. The highest price was probably around two hundred dollars.

My favourite part was leading and calling my lamb Cookies & Cream around the ring. I felt proud. Thanks to the Home & School and B.o.T for making this day happen. We all hope that we will see you next year!

By Tayla Ingham & Jade Lunn

Icon Sports Day

Kevin Bennett treated the students to a day of archery, shooting, tennis machine fire, slam dunks, uneven trolley rides, mini putt, obstacle courses and a swim or three to cool down.



Old School Gala

At 10am on Saturday 11th November people from all around the community came to our school for our Old School Gala. There was a lot of preparation needed for the day. First, lots of families brought in their old stuff such as clothes, shoes, bags and glass wear. On the day there were over ten stalls. There was the white elephant stall, dunk the clown, drive the digger, paint ball, water slide, carnival games, horse/pony rides, burma maze, ice cream stall, food stalls, face painting, horizontal bungee, and the magic carpet. It was fun and freaky on the magic carpet when Sophia was dragging her body across the spiky grass.

We managed to make a total of \$14,000 dollars thanks to all the parents who came and helped out to make the gala possible. We are all looking forward to our next gala in 2019, hope to see you there!

By Sophia, Louise, Zsalea, Jordan.

Senior Sailing

At 8:30am on 22nd November, half of the Rimu Room were put into cars and headed to the Waitara River to learn to sail. We met Maria and Dave who were going to teach us how to sail. First Maria told us to get in teams of two. I was with Aria. Then Maria showed us how to set up the boats. Once all the boats were set up we had some morning tea and put on wetsuits, life jackets and waterproof jackets to keep us out of the wind.

While we were having morning tea, Maria and Dave must have taken the sails off the sailboats. They then told us that we were going to have a race and we had to get in teams of three. I was with Eyle and Tom. All we got to use was a little scooper, the bailer and the rudder. We had to go around the bay. We came second.

Later on, we had to get back into our teams of two and had to set our boats back up to sail around the bay and collect floating things that Maria was chucking out of the rescue boat. A little bit later we had another race. Then we went into the river and played a game of netball. Aria thought we were going to capsize so I ended up sailing by myself, girls against boys. The aim of the game was to pass the ball to your team and once everyone in your team touched the ball we had to make it touch the rescue boat. The girls won both times.

After we played netball we went back into the bay to do capsizing. At first I didn't want to do it but when everybody kept saying that it was so much fun I gave it a go. A few girls, including myself, wanted to sink Mr Elliott. We failed. I then jumped into a boat with Amy and capsized her boat again and again. It was a great day and everyone enjoyed it.

By Olivia Sulzberger

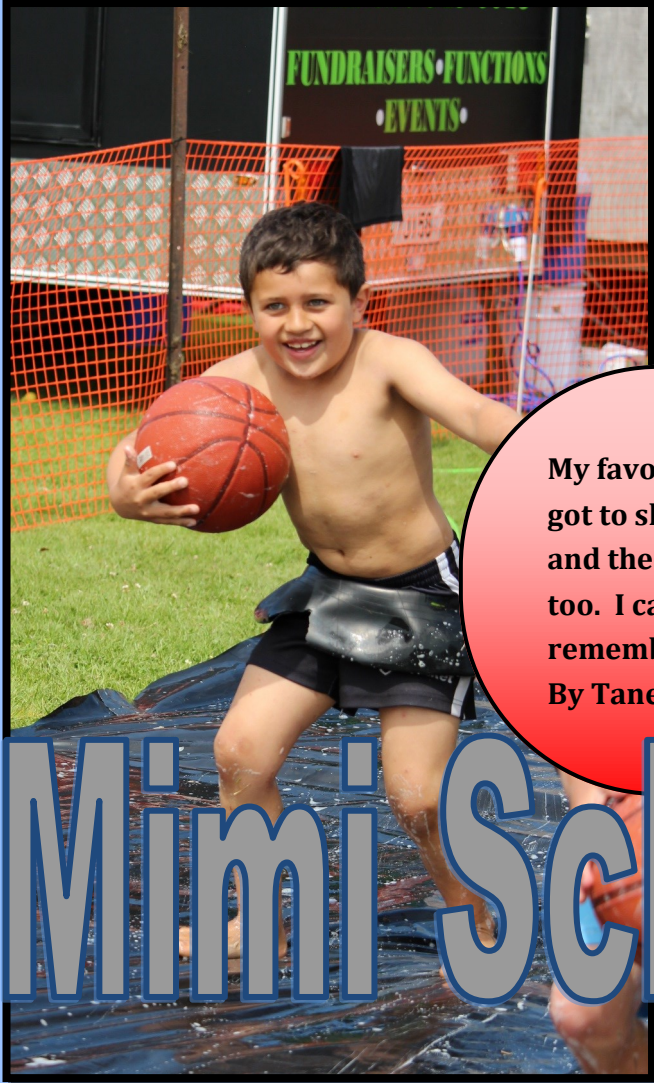


Energy Skills Science Fair

On Friday 29th September some of the Senior students took their science projects to the Energy Skills Science Fair in New Plymouth. After we set up we had a look around at other people's work. Our project was a wheelchair that used magnetic energy to move it forward.

A man came to talk to us about our projects. Then we had lunch and got some free stuff. The prize giving was last. Louise, Sophia and Zsalea won \$500 dollars for third place.

By Elye Fawkner



My favourite thing probably was paintball because I got to shoot Mr. Holden. I shot Mr. Holden in the face and the guts and on both legs. I got my face painted too. I can't remember who painted my face but I can remember what was on my face.....the NZ flag.

By Tane Smith

Mimi School Gala

On Saturday it was the Mimi School gala. My favourite thing that I did was face painting. I got a butterfly painted on my face, it was blue, pink and black. Abbey did my face paint and Ashlee came with me. It was super exciting. I had so much fun.

By Meisha Lunn





Hello Community,

I don't know if anyone else is ever as surprised as I am at the end of the year. Where did the year go? Each year really is getting faster, I'm sure of it.

We had another great year at Mimi School. It would take up too much room to list all the cool things we did and the amazing achievements of the students, but I will mention welcoming Mr Holden as our Principal. We really appreciate your first six months. You've settled in extremely well and we look forward to next year with you at the helm.

Good luck to all of our fantastic year six students. We wish you well as you embark on the next stage of your education. Keep in touch and we look forward to hearing about the great things you achieve.

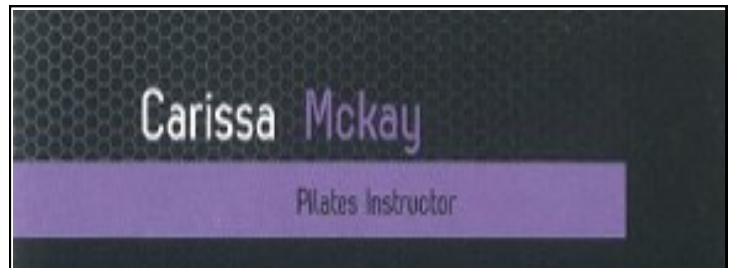
The board have had a busy year, and I can't speak for all of us, but I know I'm looking forward to a holiday.

We're inching closer to integrating the senior classroom with the rest of the school by rebuilding the toilet block. Unfortunately dealing with the Ministry of Education can make what seems so simple, a little complicated. So it's been three steps forward and two steps back lately, but I can say it looks like 2018 will be the toilets year!

Thanks to all of you who put your time into our school. You all make it a great place to be. We really do have wonderful support from our families, community and staff.

Have a very merry Christmas, a great New Year, and let it rain every night, and continue to be beautiful sunny weather during the day.

*Donna Ellis
Mimi Board of Trustees
Chairperson*



MIMI PILATES—TERM 1 2018

(Jan 29—Apr 12, 10 weeks)

Mondays 6:30pm

Thursdays 6pm

Thursdays 7pm

at Waitoitoi Hall

Term fees:

1 class per week \$120

2 classes per week \$200

Casual \$15 per class

Contact Carissa on 021 02981185

wai iticafe

Summer Holidays Opening Hours
From 27th December—21st January

Mondays closed (except New Year's Day)

Tuesday—Thursday 10am—3pm

Friday—Saturday 10—late

Sunday 10am—8pm

Closed Christmas Day & Boxing Day

Contact Karen on 7523174



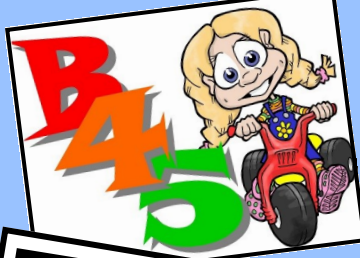

ZUMBA®

With Alex

Launch Class 18th October
Wednesday 5.45pm
Community Hall, Urenui
\$5 per class, first class free
Bring water, a towel and your smile!!!
Contact: Alex 021 034 2371



Alex Team Azucar Zumba



Our weekly pre-school sessions run on Fridays each week. These sessions are focused on developing the early skills that our children need to develop sound literacy and numeracy skills.

They are also intended to be a lot of fun for you and your kids as they become familiar with the classroom and classroom routines.

If you want to know more about our B45 pre-school programme phone the school office, or drop in and ask.

9am-11am
Fridays
For all four year olds in the district.

School starts in the new year on Monday, 29th January 2018.

The school will be open for any enquiries and new enrolments from Monday, 22nd January 2018 daily from 9-12.

All students will be supplied with stationery on the first day of school, with an account for the cost of stationery sent out later in term one. Just like in previous years.



- > Hedge & Shelter Trimming
- > Mulch or Chip Vegetation
- > Sweep & Heap Vegetation
- > Tractors, Scoop & Roller
- > 16 - 25 Tonne Diggers
- > Site work, Earthworks
- > Rural Property Development
- > Metal Supplies
- > Stump Removal & Grinding
- > Tree Felling & Removal



Phone Richard 0274 952 889 or 06 754 4511

TERM 1 CALENDAR

**TERM 1 STARTS
POWHIRI**

Mon 29 Jan

WAITANGI DAY

Tue 6 Feb

***PARININIHI WALK**

Tue 27 Feb

***TAINUI SWIM SPORTS**

Fri 2 Mar

GOLF

Mon 5—
Tue 6 Mar

***JUNIOR CAMP @ BLYDE'S**

Wed 7—
Fri 9 Mar

***WEETBIX TRYATHLON**

Wed 28 Mar

***ePRO8 CHALLENGE**

Thur 29 Mar

GOOD FRIDAY

Fri 30 Mar

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS

Sun 1 Apr

EASTER MONDAY

Mon 2 Apr

EASTER TUESDAY

Tue 3 Apr

***TAINUI TABLOIDS**

Fri 6 Apr

TERM 1 ENDS

Fri 13 Apr

TERM 2 STARTS

Mon 30 Apr

* Trips out of school grounds,
(transport may be needed)

Please contact Jared or Sibylle at school for further information.

RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL

WINDOW TINTING

BLOCKS 99% OF HARMFUL UV RAYS

aspect signs

CERTIFIED 3M APPLICATORS

- High heat rejection provides energy savings and improved comfort.
- Reduces fading and helps to protect furnishings.
- Reduces glare and eye discomfort.
- Comprehensive 3M manufacturer's warranty.

Phone: (06) 753 9695 Email: warren@aspectsigns.co.nz
www.aspectsigns.co.nz

