



**Newsletter No.13 | September 7<sup>th</sup> 2011**

## Dear Parents

Our students have had an exciting time recently, with our School Science Fair, the Maggi Cookoff national final, Daffodil Day and the Northland Mathex Competition. Coming up is our annual Market Day, on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September, when our students showcase their entrepreneurial talents and market their products and services to our local community. They have worked hard with their business plans and market research and will put it all into action in just over two weeks. If any of our parents would like to have a stall, please phone the office and leave a message for Michelle Chapman.

## Staffing

We will regretfully farewell Barbara Stevenson at the end of this year. Barbara has been at Springbank for over 10 years; and she has been an exceptional Mathematics teacher. She also taught IGCSE Geography with very pleasing results. Barbara's goal has been to inspire her students to enjoy maths. She has worked hard to make it fun and for students to experience success in their studies. I sincerely thank Barbara for her fantastic contribution to the wider life of the school. Barbara will be formally farewelled in Term 4.

Jill Lousich from Headstart has also tendered her resignation, to take effect from 30<sup>th</sup> September. Jill has been with us for three terms – one at Springbank Preschool and two at Headstart. We sincerely thank Jill for her ECE support and wish her well. Jill's position will be filled by Paula Kirby, who begins on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Paula has relieved for us at Preschool and Headstart in past months, and is well-known to our children.

## Dates for the Diary:

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> and  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September**  
*Regional Science Fair*

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September**  
*Springbank Market Day  
(11am-2pm)*

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>  
September**  
*Enviroschools Day*

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**  
*New Zealand wins the Rugby  
World Cup Final*

## Friends of Springbank

Friends would like to thank all who supported Quiz Night at Ake Ake. A great night was had by all – this may become a regular event.

Next Friends meeting is on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 1.30pm in the Springbank Staff Room – All Welcome.



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## Maggi Cookoff Competition

Springbank School's team of Year 8s Kimberley Knight, Noah Atchison-Darby, Kendra Scott and Yuong Chaiyaklang, were pipped at the post in the Maggi Intermediate Schools Kitchen Showdown Competition. After winning the upper North Island regionals held at Papakura High School, they travelled to Christchurch for the finals on 22nd August. Their innovative recipe, Spinach & Mozzarella Stuffed Chicken with Egg Noodles & Cherry Tomatoes, which they developed together with their tutor, Chef Chris Owen from Ake Ake Restaurant in Kerikeri, was a hit and impressed the judges and the studio audience. The competition was tough, as it was down to the top three schools in New Zealand out of over a hundred original entries. The competition was screened on TV2's Erin Simpson Show last Friday night and is available on TVonDemand. Congratulations to Palmerston North Intermediate School who won the competition. The judges' comments indicated it had been a hard decision to make and a very close call between the two schools.



## Student Success

Congratulations to:

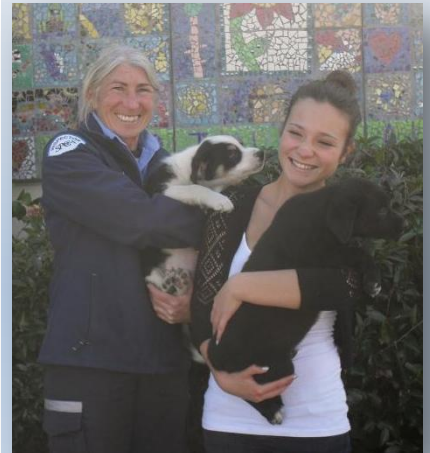
- Ruby Hull, Yr 6, Credit in ICAS Spelling Competition.
- Vincent Claus, who has qualified with his private pilot's licence at 17 years old.
- Abigail Foster, who was awarded the Bay of Islands netball trophy for Most Promising Junior Coach. Abi's team of netball girls was unbeaten all season. Fantastic!
- The Drama group of Holly Sutcliffe, Georgia Sheard, Kimberly Knight, Sara Finch and Logan Alexander who performed a very entertaining play at School Assembly this week, called the Captain and Cyril.

## Community Contribution

Thank you to our students and families who supported these community fundraisers. Our students' initiatives are much appreciated:

### • SPCA

Senior students held a black and white 'Dalmation Day', sold spider-drinks, icecreams and face-painted willing students. These activities raised \$160 for the Kerikeri SPCA. Pictured is Kaye Vezey receiving the cheque and Jade Parata receiving a kiss from a grateful dog!



### • Daffodil Day

Mrs Alexander's students created coloured birds and yellow windsocks which were displayed around Kerikeri and at school. The Junior School had a Wheels Day too. Senior students picked daffodils and students and staff were able to write positive messages to special people and have them delivered with a lovely bunch of daffodils. \$250.00 was raised for our local Cancer Society.



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## Mathex

Students from Years 5-10 have had a busy few weeks practising their problem solving skills under the guidance of their Maths teachers. It is always such an exciting time racing the clock and collaborating in teams to get the answers accurately and quickly. We finished up with a lunchtime practice in the gym which was fiercely contested and very loud! Finally on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August our 36 students making up 9 teams, headed down to Kamo to compete in the Northland Regional Mathex Competition. With over 150 teams from approximately 20 Northland schools we are very proud of all the students who represented our school. Our Year 5/6 team (which consisted only of Year 5 students) came third by one question, and our Year 7 team came first equal but were relegated to second after a count back on the number of questions passed.

<b>Year 5/6:</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b>	Sam Sutcliffe, Max Hittle, Blake Vujcich, Isaac Chandler
<b>Year 7:</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b>	Aimee Larkan, Sophie Piesse, Billy Robb, Taran Kern
<b>Year 8:</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b>	Emily Derrick, Holly Sutcliffe, Tim Richardson, Taiyo Serge
<b>Year 9:</b>	<b>Top 5</b>	Megan Bramley, Kirsten Foster, Robert Navarro, Jack Thurston



## Preschool

Preschool children enjoy visiting our playground:



Max Hittle handing out green "Oobleck" to the preschool children after they read the book *Bartholomew and the Oobleck* by Dr Suess:



## Food for thought

You may be interested to know that Independent Schools have a very positive effect on the NZ economy:

All independent schools, including Springbank, pay GST to the government on tuition fees received. The government receives more in GST from independent schools than it gives back in government grants each year. The government this year made a \$15.5million surplus in GST received from independent schools.



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## Science Fair Results

This year the students' exhibits were generally presented to a high standard, with some exceptional young scientists being chosen for the Regional Science Fair as listed below. Thank you to our judges Mike Richardson and Peggy Kashuba.

Year	Name	Exhibit title
7	Sara Finch	Marihi We
7	Aliesha Whitehead	Speed Indeed, is what you need
7	Billy Robb & Mayur Patel	Hot Rocks
8	Emily Derrick	\$prout and \$ave
8	Tim Richardson	Does your house have Electro-Smog?
8	Holly Sutcliffe	Contamination Investigation
8	Kimberley Knight	Squelch squelch
8	Jamie Hardcastle	Adapting Technology for a different use
8	Nikki Chapman and Moewaka Smith	Stick It
8	Francesca Edmonds	What's Your Hang-Up?

Further Science Fair results were:

Year	Name	Exhibit title
<b>Merit</b>		
7	Taran Kern & Leonardo Stretton-Pow	Light Bulb Life Span
7	Sophie Piesse	Stressed
7	Jamie Angus	Do Plants Need Life?
8	Georgia Sheard	Mouthful of Metal
<b>Excellence</b>		
7	Aimee Larkan	Word Power
7	Sarah Hewitt	Burnin' Up
7	Matthew Foster	Nothing to Sneeze At
8	Yuong Chaiyaklang	Keep it Fresh

Kind Regards,

**Sophia Warren**  
Principal

## Community Notices:

### Riverview School Bazaar

Sunday 11th September

Lots of fun – children's rides and activities, silent auction, raffles, entertainment, food stalls, plants, pre-loved clothing, white elephant and much more...

Riverview School, 11am – 3pm

### BOI Vets Pet Calf and Lamb Day

Saturday 24th September 9am

For info call 09 401 6654

## Thought for the week:

### Week 5:

*If you think you can, or you think you can't, you're right!*  
(Henry Ford)

### Week 6:

*Reach the stars and keep going! Aim high.*



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