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Dear Parents

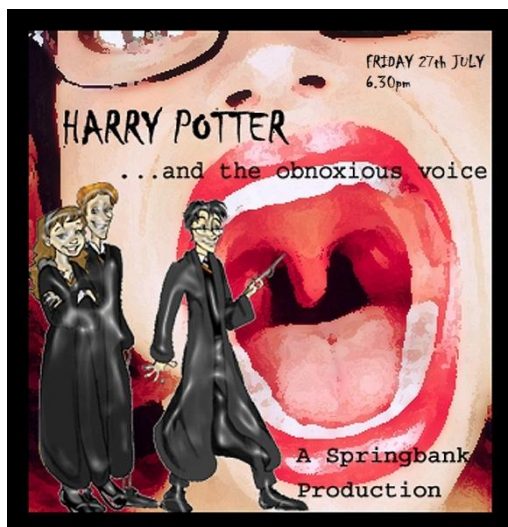
As Term 2 finishes we would like to thank you for your interest and support. The students have been fully involved in so many sporting, cultural and academic activities and we are proud of their energy, determination, perseverance and success. Thank you to all of our staff who have worked hard to provide not only academic vigour, but many opportunities to extend our students beyond the classroom.

We have three weeks' break, returning to school on Monday 16 July.

School Production

An enthusiastic and talented team of students, under the expert tutelage of English and Drama teacher Andrea Druery will be presenting a light-hearted rendition "Harry Potter and the Obnoxious Voice".

There is a once-only performance on Friday 27 July starting promptly at 6.30pm. Tickets can be purchased from Reception at \$5.00 each. Be quick as we have sold over 50 already!



Dates for the Diary:

Friday 27 July
Springbank Art Expo 5pm-6pm

Friday 27 July
School Production 6.30pm \$5 per person

Monday 30 July
Open Day (School, Headstart and Preschool) 8.40am to 12noon

Art Expo

This year the Art Expo will be held in conjunction with the School Production on Friday 27 July. The opening will be from 5pm and concludes at 6pm.

Students' work from Years 5,6,7,9 and 10 will be on display and some work will be for sale. We are thrilled to have the support of Antonio and Stefania Pasquale who have offered to supply the wine for the opening.



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School Speech Competition

The annual Middle-Senior Speech Competition was held on Wednesday 30th May. This year yielded an impressive range of discussion in response to the topic 'What's Wrong with the World?' Speakers showed insight and originality in their content, approaching it with a variety of thought-provoking real-life and humorous perspectives. The level of confidence and poise displayed was admirable, and our adjudicators Jill Hatherly, and Justin Topzand (Toastmasters), were hard-pressed to pick the winners.

Y7/8 Winner: Gaby Hardcastle (Child Labour)

Runner-up: Aimee Larkan (Gratitude)

Y9/10 Winner: Tim Richardson (There's Nothing Wrong with the World!)

Runner-up:

Holly Sutcliffe
(The Big Bad
Internet)

Y11/12 Winner:
Carmel Whitehead
(Human Traffic)

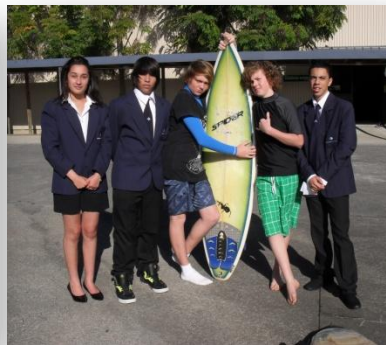
Runner-up:

Abi Foster
(Consumerism)



Young Enterprise Teams

Springbank School has been very successful this year with their two YES teams. So far in the Young Enterprise Scheme (YES) the teams have competed in three competition components; The Business Plan, The Business Card and the Dragon's Den Oral Presentations. Out of 53 YES teams throughout Northland, the two Springbank teams (Jack Splat and Dr.Gripper) have been placed in the top 7 finalists in all three competitions. They will now compete in the finals on June 27th in Whangarei. Both teams have innovated commercially viable products and are in negotiations with New Zealand companies Just Foods and 3M to produce and distribute their products before the end of the year. A patent has been lodged by Dr.Gripper and Jack Splat is in the patent application process. The final competition is the production of their Annual Plan which is due in October.



MUNA

This year's MUNA team, Kane Noordman, Natasha Bockus and James Quinn, travelled to Auckland with Ms Hatherly to represent Germany at the Model United Nations Assembly. About 300 students from schools around Auckland and Northland joined together for two days of speeches and debates discussing remits concerning current world issues: disaster relief, military rapid response forces, Security Council membership, child labour, indigenous minority grievances and General Assembly membership.

Each year when we travel to Auckland I am delighted by the way our students rise to the occasion and speak confidently in an assembly of several hundred people. It is a wonderfully enriching experience, intellectually, culturally and socially, and this year the boys were also lucky enough to be billeted with students from a variety of Pacific Islands. They would not have had this opportunity without the kind support of the Waipapa Rotary Club, and I thank them for their ongoing generosity. Already students are looking forward to next year's event, and I know they will continue to be enriched by this multi-national and multicultural experience.

(Report by Jill Hatherly)



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Springbank School Senior Ball

Our senior students organized a great event this year, with the theme of Beauty and the Beast. The food was great and everyone (especially the staff) enjoyed the dancing.



Student Achievement

Congratulations to Johanna Biedermann on her exceptional placement in the 2012 World Education Games. She was awarded a medal for achieving 9th place in New Zealand for World Maths Day in the 14 to 18 year old Division.

Bay of Islands Inter-School Cross Country

Springbank School Junior School staff organized this very successful interschool event, with six other schools in the district competing. Springbank top placings were as follows. Congratulations to:

UNDER 5 BOYS

1st Hunter Blakeman

UNDER 5 GIRLS

2nd Jana Vujcich

3rd Caitlin Renner-Austin

6 YEAR OLD GIRLS

1st Coco Hewitt

7 YEAR OLD BOYS

3rd Ollie Huett

7 YEAR OLD GIRLS

1st Lucy Sizer

3rd Tallulah Scott

8 YEAR OLD BOYS

2nd Jai Dawson

3rd Harry Sizer

9 YEAR OLD BOYS

2nd Blake Vujcich

10 YEAR OLD BOYS

1st Zach Kingsford

11 YEAR OLD BOYS

3rd Troy Vujcich

11 YEAR OLD GIRLS

2nd Ruby Hull

3rd Sharnise Candy

12 YEAR OLD BOYS

2nd Jarrod Bennett

3rd Noah Atchison-Darby



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Community Project

Student Report from Nikki Chapman (Year 9)

Our BP Community Project is to build four kiwi boxes and to install monitoring equipment for Aroha Island. The kiwi boxes are where Kiwis can sleep during the day; it gives the kiwi a chance to protect itself from threats like stoats or dogs. The kiwi boxes will have Infra-red cameras installed inside in the corners; this will let people who come to Aroha Island Visitors' Centre the chance to see the kiwis asleep in their natural habitat via a large screen TV. Most of the people who come to Aroha Island have come to see the kiwis, but they can't see them unless they stay overnight and go on the guided kiwi walks at night. The only available resource is stuffed dead kiwis on display. If they know that you can see the kiwis in the day, it will attract more people, which will help Aroha Island be sustainable. It will also bring an increased number of school students and international students to Kerikeri, which will financially benefit our town.

The boxes will be 1.5m long by 500cm wide and made of plywood. The boxes will be camouflaged but not painted as the paint smell will put the kiwi off inhabiting them. We will strategically place the boxes in different locations on the island and each box will be fitted with an infra-red camera which will transmit kiwi images to the Visitors Centre on a 30 second rotation between kiwi boxes. The value of this project will be that the Visitors Centre at Aroha Island will increase tourist numbers and sustainability is very important because Aroha Island is managed by the Aroha Island Trust with Trustees representing the people of Kerikeri. This income and donations are needed so it can stay in local management and remain a Kiwi sanctuary.

These kiwi boxes and the monitoring equipment will also allow interested organisations and Aroha Island Management to monitor kiwi habitation rates, sleep patterns and nesting patterns. This will be valuable information for the protection and breeding programmes in the area and will also help accurately predict kiwi population numbers.

So far, we have put the Kiwi boxes in place and we are waiting for them to get use to the boxes before the cameras are inserted.

Pictured (from left):
Year 9 Students Alex Ough-Dealy, Maddison Moa and Nikki Chapman.



Yours Sincerely,

Sophia & Mike Warren
Co-Principals

International Students

We farewell eight wonderful international students and thank them all for their courage, hard work and sense of humour. They have all fitted so well into Springbank; and our domestic students have benefitted from their cultural diversity and enjoyed their friendship.

We welcome ten new international students to start next term and we thank our parents for offering homestays, several who loved their first experience and are keen to take a second child into their family.

Year 12 Careers Trip

Staff Phil Webb and Mike Warren took our Year 12 students to visit universities in Auckland and they all found their two-day trip very worthwhile.

QUOTES:

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."

- Winston Churchill

"Character is made by what you stand for; reputation by what you fall for."

- Alexander Woolcott

"A moral being is one who is capable of reflecting on his past actions and their motives – of approving of some and disapproving of others."

- Charles Darwin



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