



## Newsletter No.8 | September 2012

### Dear Parents

Now that Term 3 has closed and holidays are upon us, we would like to thank you all for your terrific support in so many ways. It has been an action-packed term with so much variety, but with a deep focus on academic studies, particularly at senior level. With the International Cambridge Exams looming only three weeks away, staff and students are really busy in preparation and we wish them well in the lead-up!

### 2013 Term Dates

There has been a very slight adjustment to the 2013 Term Dates, with a change in the start date to Tuesday 29 January.

Term 1	29 January to 19 April (12 weeks)
Term 2	6 May to 12 July (10 weeks)
Term 3	29 July to 27 September (9 weeks)
Term 4	14 October to 5 December (8 weeks)

### 2013 Public and School Holidays

Textbook purchasing and	
Senior Course confirmation	Friday 25 January (10am-3pm)
Northland Anniversary	Monday 28 January
Waitangi Day	Wednesday 6 February
Good Friday	Friday 29 March
Easter Monday	Monday 1 April
Easter Tuesday	Tuesday 2 April
Anzac Day	Thursday 25 April
Queen's Birthday	Monday 3 June
Labour Day	Monday 28 October

### Term 4 Dates

Please refer to the Calendar of Events for Term 4 on the Springbank School website. Term 4 starts on Monday 15 October and concludes on Thursday 6 December.

### 2013 Returns

A reminder that if your child is not returning for 2013, you must give written notice before the start of Term 4. With new enrolments and current class numbers, we look forward to a pleasing school roll in 2013.

### Community Donations

\$1376.00 was presented to a representative of Rewa's Village Trust, by students Keegan Jones and Marshall de Vries who had fundraised for this organization.

### Daffodil Day

Springbank School raised \$420.00 for this worthy cause.



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## Far North Regional Science Fair Results

Congratulations to all Springbank students who received special awards in the Far North Regional Science Fair.

Judges were impressed with the quality of scientific investigation and we are particularly delighted to have Timothy Richardson nominated for the National Science Fair.

Prize	Recipient	Project/ Exhibit
Bronze Award Yr 7 and 8	<b>Sam Sutcliffe</b>	Fantastic Flyers
Bronze Award Yr 7 and 8	<b>Sophie Piesse</b>	Candle Gleam and Glow
Makana Confections Special Prize	<b>Holly Sutcliffe</b>	The Makeup of Milk
NZ Statistical Association Special Prize	<b>Timothy Richardson</b>	Ready, Set, Runoff
Top Energy Silver Prize	<b>Sara Finch</b>	Pressure on You!
Top Energy Silver Prize	<b>Lauren Harrell</b>	Slow The Flow To Grow
Technical Recruitment Solutions Silver Prize	<b>Andrew Knight</b>	Sliding Away
Kerifresh Silver Prize	<b>Balthasar Biedermann and Kirsten Foster</b>	The Power of the Cell
Institute of Professional Engineers New Zealand (IPENZ) Gold Award	<b>Aimee Larkan</b>	Beating the Bounce
Institute of Professional Engineers New Zealand (IPENZ) Gold Award	<b>Timothy Richardson</b>	Ready, Set, Runoff
Kerikeri Medical Centre Gold Award	<b>Olivia Matthews</b>	Equine Biomechanics
Top Energy Premier Award Yr 7 and 8	<b>Aimee Larkan</b>	Beating the Bounce
Top Energy Premier Award Yr 9 and 10	<b>Timothy Richardson</b> – Nominated for 'Realise the Dream' National Science Fair	Ready, Set, Runoff

## New Zealand Economics Competition

This competition, run by the University of Auckland, was entered by 119 New Zealand schools, 2745 students in total, in Years 12 and 13.

Congratulations to our Year 12 students who did particularly well, all gaining Distinction: Hayden Morris (101st out of 1325 Year 12 students), George Anson, Abigail Foster and Leah Claus.

## Friends of Springbank News

Fireworks Fiesta is coming up, Saturday November 3rd (only 3 weeks after the start of next term!)

We need to start building a bonfire, so if you are doing any garden maintenance over the holidays and need somewhere to burn the results please bring them along for the bonfire (field beside car park).

Friends will be in full planning and organising mode once Term 4 starts, so if you are keen to be involved or can help on the night please contact Louise Huett on 094017229 or 0211176984.

## Community Fireworks and Bonfire Night:

Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:30pm.  
Fireworks go off about 9pm  
\$5 per person under 5's free  
Free parking  
Food, entertainment, Segways, Human Zorbs, Glo Stuff and much more!



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## Mathematics Achievement

This month our students have excelled in a number of Mathematics competitions and events:

### ASB NZ Maths Challenge

Springbank School students came 3rd in Northland. ASB will be presenting a football set next term at assembly.

### Otago Problem Challenge

All students in Year 6-8 (and a few Y5s) participated in the five sets of problems throughout the year. The following were awarded Certificates of Merit:

Blake Vujcich (yr 6)  
Solomon Angus (yr 6)  
Sam Sutcliffe (yr 6)  
Jake Dawson (yr 7)  
Levi Whitehead (yr 7)  
Sara Finch (yr 8)  
Billy Robb (yr 8)  
Leonardo Stretton-Pow (yr 8)  
Sophie Piesse (yr 8)  
Aliesha Whitehead (yr 8)

The following students were awarded Certificates of Excellence:

Isaac Chandler (yr 6)  
Lauren Harrell (yr 8)  
Aimee Larkan (yr 8)  
Taran Kern (yr 8)

In addition, Isaac Chandler won a gift token for exceptional performance in the Y6 age group. Aimee and Taran have been invited to complete the Final Challenge in November and to compete for a \$100 prize.

### Australian Mathematics Competition

The following students represented Springbank in the AMC competition:

Leah Stewart	Proficiency
Anita Pasquale	Proficiency
Katie Riddle	Proficiency
Ollie Huett	Credit
Sam Sutcliffe	Credit
Emily Derrick	Credit
Georgia Sheard	Credit
Isabella Francis	Credit
Melissa Chapman	Credit
Jake Dawson	Distinction
Tarn Kern	Distinction
Holly Sutcliffe	Distinction
Timothy Richardson	Distinction
Kirsten Foster	Distinction
Taiyo Serge	High Distinction (top 100 in NZ)
Megan Bramley	High Distinction

## McLeod Rotary Speech Challenge

Seven schools participated in the McLeod Lawyers Rotary Junior School Speech Challenge 2012 for student in Years 5 and 6. Congratulations to Springbank School students who blitzed the field, taking out 1st and 2nd places in both Years 5 and 6 overall.



**Left to Right:** Placegetters from Springbank School: Harry Sizer 1st Year 5, Harrison Irwin 1st Year 6, Faraday Haydock 2nd Year 5, Sam Sutcliffe 2nd Year 5.

## Northland Performing Arts Competition

Mrs Simpson's piano and keyboard Springbank students achieved as follows:

### Taiyo Serge

3rd place for piano solo

### Luke Bramley

Two trophies, a 1st and 2nd place

### Holly Sutcliffe

Two Very Highly Commended



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## Junior Poetry and Speech Performance

The judges really enjoyed watching our young students deliver their poems. Their special costumes, wonderful expressive voices and overall confidence were a delight.

Year 1 Poetry Performance	Place
Ted Houry	1 <sup>st</sup>
Ellie Heath	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Millie Keogh	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 2 Poetry Performance	Place
Jack Kinghan	1 <sup>st</sup>
Sam Prichard	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Callum McIntyre	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 3 Poetry Performance	Place
Tallulah Scott	1 <sup>st</sup> equal
Lucy Sizer	1 <sup>st</sup> equal
Indra Pasquale	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 4 Speech Competition	Place
Malindi Reihana-Ruka – <i>Gorillas</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Noortje Nederlof – <i>Tigers</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Eva Sfakakis – <i>Pukekos</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 5 Speech Competition	Place
Faraday Haydock – <i>Animal Dads</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Harry Sizer – <i>James Bond</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Lucy Blakeman – <i>Speech Topics</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Year 6 Speech Competition	Place
Harrison Irwin – <i>Technology 60 years ago</i>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Sam Sutcliffe – <i>Taupo Eruption</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Isaac Chandler – <i>Baseball</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup>



## Springbank Sport

Thank you to all of our coaches and students who have rounded up the winter season with strong team spirit and some fine sports results. This season Springbank School students have participated in representative teams or as individuals in hockey (3 teams), soccer/football (3 teams), netball (2 teams), senior badminton, senior basketball, cross country and equestrian.

## Northland Cross Country

Congratulations to Zach for being top in Northland! Results were:

### 8 Year Old Boys:

Jai Dawson – 16<sup>th</sup>

### 9 Year Old Boys:

Blake Vujcich – 11<sup>th</sup>

### 10 Year Old Boys:

Zach Kingsford – 1<sup>st</sup>

### 11 Year Old Boys:

Troy Vujcich – 14<sup>th</sup>

**Below:** Winner of the Junior Performance Trophy – Jack Kinghan, with his presentation of “Where the Wild Things Are”.



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## 2012 SPRINGBANK MARKET DAY

Congratulations to everyone involved in a superb Market Day! The band created a really great atmosphere and families had so much fun choosing between a helicopter ride, bouncy castles, pony rides, simulated plane-piloting and such a wonderful variety of student-run stalls. Well done to all of our students for your innovative products, your stall presentation and most of all for your enthusiasm. The Springbank spirit was alive and well and the day was a real community effort. If you have any feedback on the day, please email Mike and Sophia.



### Student Prizes:

#### Junior School Stall Presentation

- 1st – Headstart - *Birdbath and Beyond*
- 2nd – Year 6 - *Fish Forever*
- 3rd – Sam Harrell, Harry Sizer and Sagar Patel - *Bamboo Buddies*

#### Junior School Innovative Product

- 1st – *Lunchboxes* – Olivia Phillips
- 2nd – *Bamboo Buddies*
- 3rd = *Flight Simulator* – Callum Prichard, Henri Mueller
- 3rd = *Justy's Digger* – Justyn Urlich-Short, Dylan Bain

#### Middle/Senior School Stall Presentation

- 1st – *Arty Party* – Chloe & Aleisha Whitehead
- 2nd – *Lost Me Booty* – Year 9, Kimberley Knight, Yuong Chaiyaklang, Lewis Kidman, Callum Hadlow
- 3rd – *Tutus* – Kate Hewitt

#### Middle/ Senior School Innovative Product

- 1st – *Shoe'nimals* – Aimee Larkan, Sarah Hewitt
- 2nd – *Gumboot Covers* – Billy Robb, Leonardo Stretton-Pow
- 3rd – *Simply Creative* – Melissa & Kirsten Foster

### Charities Supported:

*The students' Market Day Enterprises raised a significant amount of money for a variety of charities including:*

St John's Kerikeri	\$197.40
SPCA	\$223.60
Riding for the Disabled	\$64.00
BNZ – Save the Kiwi	\$23.50
Okaihau Fire Brigade	\$39.00
Starship Hospital	\$185.40
Women's Refuge	\$51.00
Child Cancer Foundation	\$11.00
St John's Kawakawa	\$17.50
World Vision	\$10.00
Foster Hope	\$24.40
Kiwi Care	\$60.60
Fish Forever	\$25.25
Shelter Box	\$25.25
Foodbank	\$40.00
Friends of Springbank	\$62.00



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## Northland Young Enterprise Scheme Trade Fair

Springbank School's two teams Jack Splat and Dr. Gripper were represented at the Northland Trade Fair recently. The Dr. Gripper team of Jamie Plowman, Titouan Lamouric, Chance August, Cheyanne Donnelly and Mathew Carr were awarded Best Trade Fair Stand and Best Customer Choice Award. Their trade stand and their enthusiastic and professional approach stood out. Well done!



Kind Regards,

**Sophia & Mike Warren**  
Co-Principals

## Community Notices

### La Fille Mal Gardee - Ballet

Friday 26th and Saturday 27th October

Two shows per day - Matinees start at 11 am - Evenings start at 6.30 pm  
Come and support Northern Dance Academy students in their next production. Tickets from Poppies Book Store - Kerikeri or online  
[northerndancetickets@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:northerndancetickets@yahoo.co.nz)

The Academy's last two productions won top show of the year for 2010 and 2011, so don't miss out!

Supported by Northern Dance Society Inc.

## Thought for the week:

**Week 7:** *"Have an attitude of gratitude – be thankful for all of the people in your life."*

**Week 8:** *"Maybe that's why I've made it as far as I have – 2,521 miles. If I ran to a doctor every time I got a little cyst or abrasion I'd still be in Nova Scotia. Or else I'd never have started. I've seen people in so much pain. The little bit of pain I'm going through is nothing. They can't shut it off, and I can't shut down every time I feel a little sore."*

– Terry Fox

(Courtesy of Natasha Bockus)

**Week 9:** *"Champions keep playing until they get it right."*

– Billie Jean King

(Courtesy of Jessica Cadenhead)

**Week 10:** *"Keep your eyes on the moon and your feet muddy."*

**Week 11:** *"Attitude is everything."*



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