



## Newsletter No.7 | July 2018

### *Dear Parents*

*Thanks to Abi Frame for this amazing photo of our school!*

Friends of Springbank and the Coffee Squad teamed up to treat us to hot coffee and warm company on the chilly morning of Friday of Week One. This initiative was to celebrate Friends of Springbank turning 10 years old. Thank you to all parents and staff who came along to have a catch-up and a cup of brew. It was so popular that Friends have decided to run this at that beginning of every term. Yee haa!

Over the last 10 years, Friends of Springbank has provided our students with new resources, supported various events, and subsidised (or in some cases completely covered the cost of) many school trips. A heartfelt thanks goes out to all parents past and present who have ever been a member of Friends over that 10 years. Your support has been very much appreciated. Thank you also to all parents who have supported the various Friends of Springbank events, especially our annual Fireworks Extravaganza. Friends of Springbank would not be able to run these without your help.

Speaking of the Fireworks Extravaganza, Friends have already commenced organisation of 2018's event, which is scheduled for the evening of Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. The chief pyros (my brother Ben and I) have been champing at the bit to begin preparation for the display. Songs have been chosen and new equipment purchased. Ooo it's going to be big! So please lock Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November into your calendar as we come together to put on a spectacular show for our wonderful Far North community!



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## ***Middle-Senior Speech Competition***

Springbank's Middle Senior Speech Competition was held in the chilly gym during the last week of Term 3, on Wednesday 4th July. We were warmed up in no time, though, with the passionate and powerful deliveries of our speech finalists from Years 7 to 12.

Students presented a range of well-developed and engaging speeches on a subject of their choosing, with the added challenge of incorporating our school-wide focus of Character Strengths. Once again, it was wonderful to see the growth in confidence and maturity across all levels. Our adjudicators, Sophia Warren and Ross Paterson had a tough time adjudicating, but in the end there were clear winners in each age group:

### **Year 7/8**

1<sup>st</sup> - Heidi Traas

2<sup>nd</sup> - Hunter Blakeman

### **Year 9/10**

1<sup>st</sup> - Malindi Reihana-Ruka

2<sup>nd</sup> - Lana Pistorius

### **Year 11/12**

1<sup>st</sup> - Greg Lewis

2<sup>nd</sup> - Max Hittle

**Outstanding Speaker 2018** - Greg Lewis



Well done to all our speakers for displaying so many character strengths in action!

- Andrea Druery

## ***Dates to Note:***

***August 6<sup>th</sup>:*** Australian Maths Competition

***August 20<sup>th</sup>:*** Cambridge Information Evening (6:30pm – 7:30pm)

***August 23<sup>rd</sup>:*** Tough Guy & Gal Challenge

***August 27<sup>th</sup>:*** Year 9 Mock Exams start

***August 29<sup>th</sup>:*** Regional Science Fair

***August 31<sup>st</sup>:*** Year 4-6 Speech Finals

***August 31<sup>st</sup>:*** Daffodil Day



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## International Day

We had our annual International Day celebration on the last Friday of Term 2 where our entire school dressed up in a spectacular display of our global diversity. We ran an international themed quiz for the Middle and Senior School, which was a close competition. Congratulations to the Stingrays Three team, who won 3 out of 5 of our quizzes and to Sharks who were the overall winning house of the event.

Here's the end results:

Sharks: 238

Stingrays: 235

Dolphins: 216

Orcas: 204

Our Prefect team would like to say a special thanks to Angie, who put out lovely plates for the teams as a special cafe treat. Also to all the students who helped with the setup and pack-up of the quiz. Finally, a massive thank you to everyone who made 2018 International Day so spectacular!

- Max Hittle IV, Prefect



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### ***Kerikeri Football Festival***

Springbank School took two teams of Year 7 & 8 students to the Kerikeri football festival at Waipapa. Both teams competed against many other Northland school teams in fast-paced 5-a-side games. Players worked hard to play attractive, passing football and to develop their ability to find space on small pitches. The highlight was a close game between the two Springbank teams which ended up 2-1. Both teams scored lots of goals and thoroughly enjoyed a successful mid-winter day of football in the sun.

- Chris Whitaker



### ***Skating at Waipapa***

Ever thought of giving skating a go?

Why not head along to the Baysport Complex on Harmony Lane in Waipapa?

Skating open to all ages and ability right throughout Term 3 on:

- Friday Nights 6pm - 8.30pm
- Sunday Afternoons from 2pm - 4pm

If you would like more information about skating, head along to the Northland Stingray website.

[www.northlandstingrays.co.nz](http://www.northlandstingrays.co.nz)



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## Friends of Springbank Turns 10!

It was lovely to catch up with those who could make it to our birthday celebration in Week One. The Friends of Springbank have supported a huge number of excursions, events and resources over the last 10 years, and we look forward to another amazing 10. Thank you to everyone who has been part of the team, given us support and stood behind the many events.



The Friends of Springbank 'Coffee Squad' did themselves proud making and serving delicious coffee. A big thank you to Max Hittle IV, Greg Lewis, Mike Michaux and Mya Napier for their help.



## Friends Report

•**Robotics Club** – Friends are pleased to have approved a financial assistance request of \$500 towards additional equipment for the Robotics Club.

•**Next Friends Meeting** - Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2pm in the staffroom – all welcome.



Thank you to Julie & Bill Kidman of Great Escape Sailing Holidays for their donation of a \$200 Voucher for the Fireworks Raffles.

Kind regards, Erica Wells

Chairperson, Friends of Springbank

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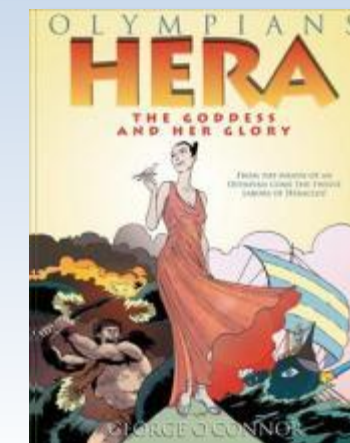
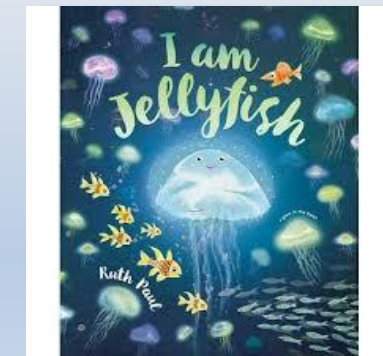
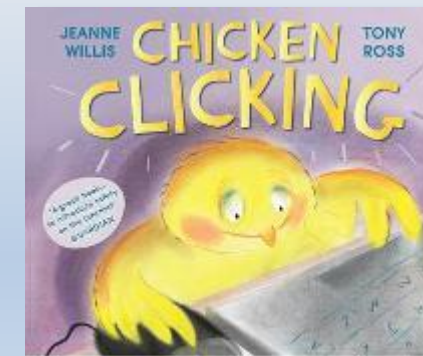
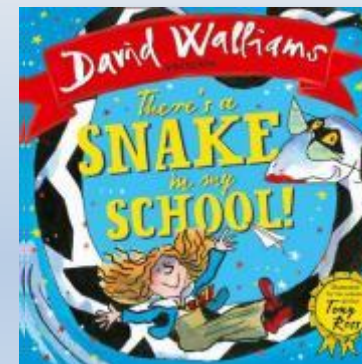
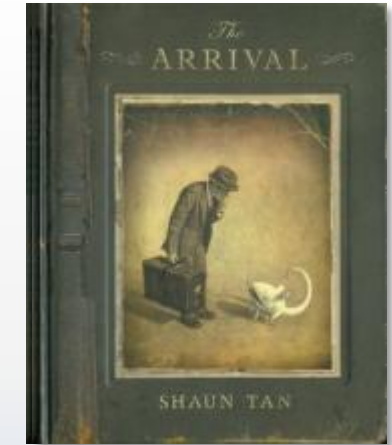
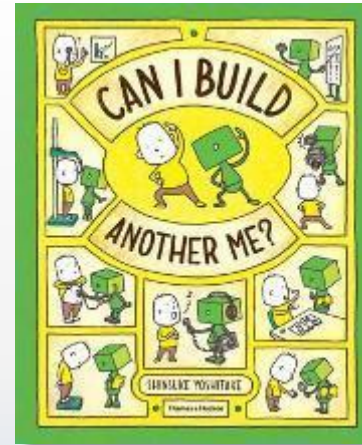
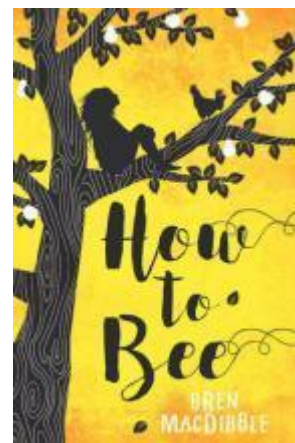
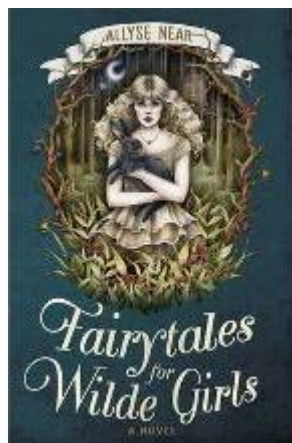
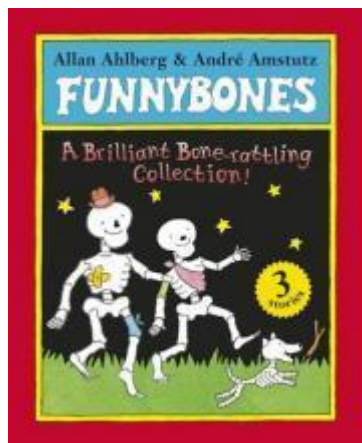


## Library Books – what's new and ready to read!

This stunning book is worth USD 13.4 million –  
sadly it's not in our library yet...



However, because July and August are great reading months (just like all the others), here are a few of our recent additions:



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## Students at a glance

**Name:** *Fergus Grant*

**Year:** *13*

**House Group:** *Stingrays*



**What do you enjoy about Springbank School?** *How all year groups throughout the school interact with one another. At my old school we only ever hung out with our own year group.*

**What's your favourite subject?** *Chemistry, because it just seems to make sense to me.*

**What's your favourite song?** *Don't Stop Me Now by Queen.*

**What's the best thing to do at lunchtime?** *Play sport on the field.*

**If I were Principal I'd ...** *Have more House events and games through the year.*

**In my spare time out of school I like to ...** *Rock climb.*

**Name:** *Sophie Hunia*

**Year:** *6*

**House Group:** *Sharks*



**What do you enjoy about Springbank School?** *All my friends and teachers.*

**What's your favourite subject?** *ICT, because I like playing with computers.*

**What's your favourite song?** *Solo by Demi Lovato*

**What's the best thing to do at lunchtime?** *Eat!*

**If I were Principal I'd ...** *Have no classes, instead just play and eat!*

**In my spare time out of school I like to ...** *Play netball and play with my friends.*



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## Agri Pets / Art Day 2018

After a highly successful Agri Pets & Art Day 2017, we are excited to see what wonderful pets and creative flare will be on display this year.

We will be introducing an additional category to the 2018 Agri Art event – BAKING! The baking category will join the colouring in competition, flower display and vegetable sculpture.

Due to the recent cases of *Mycoplasma bovis* (M. bovis), the bacterial disease, we will not be able to include calves in our Agri Pets entries.

This is really unfortunate, as we know a number of you have some beautiful pet calves. However, due to the seriousness of the disease it is advised that all school Agri Pet days exclude cattle.

If there are any parents who would like to be part of the Agri Committee for 2018, please email [angela.warren@springbank.school.nz](mailto:angela.warren@springbank.school.nz). We are always keen for more helping hands and ideas.



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## ***Ills and Chills***

We have passed the half-way mark of the school year and the winter months are coming to a close. However, there are still some ills and chills lurking around.

Please keep a careful eye on your children and if they are looking unwell, it's best to keep them at home.

Simple things like keeping hands clean, getting enough sleep, dressing warmly and eating well, will certainly help in fighting off any winter bugs.

If your child does need to be away from school due to illness, please call or email the school office so we can inform teachers of their absence.

There have been a couple of cases of chicken pox with our younger friends at Preschool. If your child has not had the chicken pox virus yet, here is some information for you.

- It can take up to three weeks after exposure for your child to show symptoms of chicken pox.
- Initial symptoms include a fever, runny nose, and a general feeling of being unwell along with aches and pains.
- Three to four days after the first symptoms appear, your child will start to develop a rash.
- The rash usually starts on the torso and may spread across the entire body.
- While some kids get just a few spots, others are covered from head to toe, including particularly tender places like the bottom, eyes, scalp and mouth.
- Children are usually ill for about 5-10 days.
- A child should stay at home until all of the blisters are crusted over.



## ***Carpark Safety***

A friendly reminder to please watch your speed around the school carpark. It is a very busy zone during drop offs and pick ups with both cars and buses.

We have students going in both directions towards School & Preschool, so we ask you all to be aware of your speed and keep to the 10km limit.

If you have concerns regarding carpark safety at all, please speak with Principal Mike Warren.



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## School lunch orders with Café @ Redwoods

Are your children feeling extra hungry and want something hot for lunch? Don't forget lunchtime orders can be purchased through Café @ Redwoods.

Order forms can be found outside the school office and posted into the box, or if you prefer you call Anthea directly on 09 407 8403 to place an order.

All order forms must be in the lunch order box by 8:45am and a reminder that lunches are only available Tuesday to Friday.



### Springbank School Lunch Order

**TUESDAY TO FRIDAY**

No lunch orders on Mondays

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Café Item	Qty	Cost
Bottle of Water	\$3	
Charlies Orange Juice	\$4	
Apple Juice	\$4	
Cheese Scone	\$4	
Double Chocolate Muffin	\$4	
M & M Cookie	\$3	
Toasted Sandwich	\$5 (GF + \$1)	
Circle <u>two</u> fillings: ham cheese onion feta spinach mushroom tomato		
American Hot Dog	\$5	
Steak & Cheese Pie	\$5	
Frittata – Potato & Mushroom (GF)	\$5	
Pasta Salad of the Day	\$6	
Chicken / Ham Salad Sandwich	\$5 (GF + \$1)	
Bacon & Egg Croissant	\$7	
Chicken & Bacon Panini	\$7	
Thai Chicken Salad (GF)	\$10	
Hash Brown (GF)	\$1	
(GF = gluten free)	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>

### Terms and Conditions of Lunch Orders

#### 1. Ordering Process

The completed lunch order form and payment must be in the café box outside reception **no later than 8:45am** each school morning. Orders from Preschool, Headstart, Rooms 1 & 2 will be collected from their respective rooms and delivered by a staff member.

#### 2. Payment

Cash only payments please. Where possible, exact change would be preferred; however, change can be provided.  
If you prefer, you can drop off your orders directly to Café at Redwoods and pay by cash/eftpos there.

#### 3. Delivery

Lunch orders will be delivered by Café @ Redwoods to Springbank School. For Preschool to Room 2 orders, these will be distributed to the relevant classroom at 12:00pm. Orders from students/staff above Year 3 are to be collected from the former Springbank Café between Rooms 10 and 11 at the beginning of lunchtime.

#### 4. Special Orders

If you wish to purchase additional items or have specific dietary requirements, you can call ahead to Café @ Redwoods and personally place your order. NB: there may be additional costs.

**Café @ Redwoods**

**09 407 8403**

**1526 Springbank Road, SH10**



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## International News

A huge welcome to our new Internationals, and a huge welcome back to our current international students.

Left to right, back row - Nina Herb, Marie Begemann, Katharina Bell, Sophia Smit, Moritz Stiller, Adrian Tebbert, Bjorn Behrens, Lara Kohlbauer,

Left to right, front row - Hannah-Lena Gross, Luisa Haering, Annika Geilert, Elena Zakharova, Jan Wroe, Liz Michalsky, Annika Seidel, Martin Rebolledo Onate.

Currently, our International Students are from Germany, Russia, Thailand and Chile, and all are here for varying lengths of time. However, all are here to improve their English and have a fabulous time.

Some of our longer stay students, such as Lena and Jan, are going to sit their Cambridge AS and IGCSE exams this year, and we wish them all the very best.

Our shorter stay students are here to improve their English, have a fabulous time, make new friends and enjoy everything Springbank School, Kerikeri, the Bay of Islands and New Zealand has to offer.

Jill Grimshaw

International Student Director



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## *Baile, Baile, Baile - Dance, Dance, Dance!*

Angel Viding, Juliette Traas, Millie Stovell, and Elisabeth Esscher performed a wonderful show during their Spanish class last term. They delighted their classmates with their routines and costumes.

I look forward to seeing the students putting on another show this term. We loved it!

- Fiona Robinson



## *Coppelia*

The Northern Dance Academy for 2018 presents Coppelia at the Turner Centre.

August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

Show tickets are available from the box office at the Turner Centre from \$15.00.

We have a number of Springbank students who will be performing in the show and would love your support. They will guarantee a wonderful dance experience!



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## Headstart Welcoming New Friends

After a well-earned two week rest, we are back in full swing at Headstart. The children are all ready and eager to go, with another full and fun Term 3 ahead.

We would like to welcome our newest friends Robert, Harriet and Georgia to our classroom! They have already settled in so well and we all look forward to learning more about each other.



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## *Making Volcanoes at Preschool*

During the recent school holidays, we ventured over to the big school playground and sandpit. The children and Mal thought it would be a great idea to make a volcano in the big sandpit! Everyone worked together to build the sand up around the cone. Once you all thought it was big enough, we all sat back while Mal tipped in the baking soda, dye, dishwashing liquid and vinegar. The reaction of all the ingredients was awesome and a huge lava explosion poured out the side of our volcano.

It was great to watch all the excitement, wonderment and awe on your faces. There were lots of excited giggles and fantastic teamwork!



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## Cambridge Curriculum Information Evening

We invite you to a meeting at school on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August** (Week 5) for a Cambridge Curriculum Information Evening.

**Time:** 6:30pm to 7:30pm

**Purpose:** To inform parents and students of how the International Cambridge Curriculum compares to the New Zealand curriculum and how it is structured. We will cover subject options to be offered in 2019, pre-requisites for subjects, the meaning of subject grades and the university entrance requirements for Cambridge.

We will also touch on the Primary Checkpoint and Secondary1 Checkpoint exams.

We will be happy to answer questions, then parents will have an opportunity to discuss specific subjects with individual staff.

Please RSVP Sally ([reception@springbank.school.nz](mailto:reception@springbank.school.nz)) by Friday 17 August if you will be attending. This evening is open to all Springbank families.

This year we will also be inviting all members of the community. If you know of any families who may be interested, please give them the details above or have them contact the school for further information or to RSVP.

Regards

Mike Warren

Principal

## Thought for the Week

### Term 2, Week 10 – Forgiveness:

*"It takes a strong person to say sorry but an even stronger person to forgive."*

Courtesy of Levi Whitehead & Isabella Sharipova-Williams

### Term 3, Week 1 – Humility:

*"Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it's thinking of yourself less."*

Courtesy of Mrs Larkan

### Term 3, Week 2 – Prudence:

*"An ounce of prudence is worth a pound of cleverness"*

- Baltasar Gracian

Courtesy of Anna Wilson, Headstart



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