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OCTOBER  
SCHOOL  
HOLIDAYS

## Get in to nature

Full program, drop-in activities at Arataki Visitor Centre

**Neil Hannah – Forest Gold Workshop**  
Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> or Tues 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am – 1pm  
Kauri gum polishing workshop, 30 mins.  
\$5pp. All ages. Bookings essential.

**Tu meke Tūi story time, with Malcolm and Flox**  
Weds 4<sup>th</sup>, 10am – 10:30am  
Story time with author Malcolm Clarke and illustrator Flox.  
Free. All ages. Drop-in.

**Kererū Protectors**  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am – 1pm  
Conservation art. Stop kererū crashing into windows.  
Free. All ages. Drop-in.

**Mini Beasts – Education Workshop**  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 12<sup>th</sup>, 9am–3pm  
Full-day learning about terrestrial and aquatic mini beasts.  
\$45pp. Ages: 7yrs – 12yrs. Bookings essential.

**Arataki Rocks**  
Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tues 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am – 1pm  
Rock painting and outdoor rock hunt activity.  
Free. All ages. Drop-in.

**Dolphin Defenders Activity Workshop**  
Weds 4<sup>th</sup> and Weds 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am – 12pm  
Learn about Maui dolphins with Christine Rose.  
Free. All ages. Drop-in.

**Bird House Recycling Project**  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am – 1pm  
Transform old milk cartons into bird houses.  
Free – **b.y.o. milk carton**. All ages. Drop-in.

**Meet the Birdman – Chris Bindon**  
Thurs 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am – 1:30pm  
Take a walk with Chris and learn about 5 min bird count.  
Free. All ages. Bookings essential.

Find out more:  
[www.facebook.com/aratakivisitorcentre/](http://www.facebook.com/aratakivisitorcentre/)

Call (09) 892 4777



Dear Whānau

21 September 2017



### 'Be Safe'

Holidays begin on Friday and children will be away from school for two weeks. As they will be out and about, it is important that they remember all the safety rules to keep themselves safe.



Last day of school for Term 3 Friday 29 September at 3.00pm

Friday 'Mufti Day' - gold coin donation!

Wednesday 27 September Rooms 5, 6 & 7 trip to 'Howick Village'

Thursday 28th September 'Bake Sale' - bring some money to buy something yummy for morning tea!



'Health Survey' Winner - the room that returned the most surveys was Room 3 - Well done Room 3.

All together 117 surveys were returned. They are helpful in evaluating the school and the programmes we run. We can hopefully arrange times to discuss some of the issues that you would like to know more about. Thank you for your efforts.

As we get to the end of the term we will be collecting our resources to store for the holidays - so if you have any books or readers at home please return them by Friday.

Schools have many resources and sometimes they may find their way home! So if you see something in your child's school bag that does not belong there, could you please make sure it comes back to school, for other children to use in their learning.

Irene Ogden - Principal

Certificate Recipients  
We noticed these children being  
**'Friendly'**



Room

1. Noah Ndongala
2. Tyson Skiffington
3. Wilson Chhay
4. Jonathan Madeja
5. Mercedes Wynyard
6. Mataio Aleke
7. Gayelene Tatafu
8. Lily Nadan
9. Lucca Muhana Bryant
10. Aesha Astha
11. Jacob Pardoe
12. Mareikura Tamainu
13. Stanley Te Rito
14. Zacheriah Sale
15. Lesieli Maka
17. George Mason
18. Jay Williams



Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Outside Rms 1&2

**Maddison (Room 13) is so excited to share her story about looking through the submarine window.**

I looked through my window. I saw smooth slippery rocks. The spiky gold starfish was crawling on the rocks. The puffer fish had gold shining eyes that were staring back out of the cave. The seaweed was green and waved and it was cool because the little fish were hiding in it. The jellyfish was floating around the waves and it was sparkly because the sun was shining. The stripy gold fish was swimming around because the shark was chasing after the fish. The shark was hungry and it had sharp spiky teeth. The whale was silver. The waves were blue and shining. The whale was splashing in the waves. The stingray was smooth and the crab was snappy and spiky. The crab was behind the stingray because it wanted to play. The seahorse was orange. The octopus was purple. The eel was green. It was amazing looking outside of the submarine window.



**Classroom Activity Fees and Donations  
are now due!**

**'ELECTIVES'**

Next term we are wanting to organise electives for our Years 5 & 6 children on Friday afternoons from 1.45 - 3.00pm. We would like a wide range of choices so that children get the opportunity to learn new skills and try new things. Have you got something to offer a small group of 9 & 10 year olds?

This could be sewing, cooking, ball skills, sport, board games, story writing, knitting, language etc



Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_

I HAVE READ MY CHILD'S NEWSLETTER.

Signed Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Cut out and return to the letterbox in the school office to go into the draw for a prize!

Last weeks winners were

Raechel - Rm 2, John Elliz - Rm 1, Alysha - Rm 13, Emmanuel- Rm 9