

In Room 4 we are learning that writing is a lot more engaging when we write with a real purpose for a real audience. Lennox is sending his letter away this week.

Dear Councilors

I am writing this letter on behalf of me and my community, particularly the residents of Foreshore Road in Ahipara which is 14 km northeast of Kaitaia.

As you may know we live in a very coastal area right in front of Ninety Mile Beach, which means a lot of tourists and locals walk around here. I am writing this letter to inform you of two situations that I have encountered which are rather of concern.

The first situation is that there is no sidewalk down Foreshore Road which is extremely dangerous as I often see parents walking their children and babies. Also many school students walk home around the area.

I know in the Ahipara community plan you have stated on page 34 your goal is "to improve pedestrian access to the beach and improve footpaths on Foreshore Road". That plan was made 5 years ago and no construction has started.

I do not feel safe walking my 13 month old nephew down the street, I know that you have a footpath from the primary school to Tasman Heights and a small one near Reef View Road. I don't think it's fair we don't have a sidewalk!

Also I have seen a tremendous amount of vehicles drive past me at 50kmph or faster and it really frightens me and other locals. One time I was almost knocked down because of a vehicle traveling at over 50kmph. I'm in Year 6 so I'm very young and vehicles can't see me easily.

An obvious solution to this problem would be a raised sidewalk because vehicles could accidentally drive onto a flat sidewalk even if it could be just 3-4 centimeters raised. A barrier for safety because there's a tall bank near the coast would also be a great idea.

My second concern is about the alarming number of dogs constantly roaming around public spaces in the area. I have seen lots of dogs including dangerous and fierce dogs!

Dogs are always roaming around in the street especially in the main residential area near Takahe Street. When I used to live down there I was chased repeatedly by three dogs on my way to and from school.

I would be very appreciative if action was taken.

Thanks for your time

Sincerely Lennox Goodhue



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Dear Parents/Caregivers, Tena Koutou Katoa

1) Snapped Ya!

'Snapped Ya!' is a PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) initiative. The PB4L focus for this week is **'to have a can do attitude'**. The recipients are **Miriana Wharewaka-Cassidy, Robbie Dawson, Liquan Hampton-Snowden, Bayden Takimoana, Coby Satele, Kaelyn Clark-Hobson, Taylor Rawiri, Maiki Morrogh and Amotai Hobson.**



2) Celebrating Success

This week's 'Celebrating Success' is **Waimitikia Perene** in Room 3. Waimitikia successfully auditioned for a spot in a new Kaitaia hip hop crew called 'Team Evolution'.



Esera Saulo (former member of 'The Royal Family') is the dance tutor of this crew. 'Team Evolution' and especially our very own Waimitikia, will be having their debut performance tonight at Te Ahu. The FREE community concert starts at 6.30pm with the sale of hangi and bbq being ready at 6pm.

3) Year 4-8 Western Zone Cross Country

Our annual Western Zone Cross Country will be held on **Tuesday 29th August 2017** at **Pukepoto School**. The first ten place getters in each event will be eligible to attend the Far North Schools Cross Country Finals at **Peria School on Friday 8th September.**



All students are now running in AGE GROUPS not in class levels.

The following are approximate times only! - NOTE: AGE AT 1st JANUARY 2017

Assemble on bottom field by 9.30am before walking the course.

10.00am 8 year old boys 1.5 km

10.10am 8 year old girls 1.5 km

10.25am	9 year old boys	2.5 km
10.40am	9 year old girls	2.5 km
10.55am	10 year old boys	2.5 km
11.15am	10 year old girls	2.5 km
11.30am	11 year old boys	3 km
11.45am	11 year old girls	3 km
12.00pm	12+ year old boys	3 km
12.15pm	12+ year old girls	3 km

There will be sausages (\$2) and drinks (\$1) for sale on the day.

4) Junior Cross Country

The Junior Cross Country will be held at Pukepoto School on **Tuesday 5th September, 10am (Year 0 - 3)**. This will involve all students from Rooms 1, 2, 7 and 8. If you do not wish your child to participate please inform the class teacher or the office. There will be a sausage sizzle (\$2) available on the day. They will be assembling on the field at 10.00am and will then be walking the course.

Children will be running in 'Ages at 1st January.'

Runs and times are as follows.

5 year old boys	10.30 am
5 year old girls	10.40 am
6 year old boys	11.00 am
6 year old girls	11.10 am
7 year old boys	11.20 am
7 year old girls	11.30 am

5) Ahipara School 'Speech Festival' 2017

As most parents/caregivers will be aware, our pupils have been working hard on preparing speeches as part of the current literacy programme this term. We will have trophies for each level and I believe we will have a special guest judge on the day. Syndicates will be holding semi finals to find out who will progress through to the finals. Our finals will be held on **Tuesday 12th September**. We welcome all parents and caregivers to what promises to be an entertaining afternoon. **Please if you have speech trophies, could you return them to the school as soon as possible.**

6) Pet/Ag Day

Our annual 'Pet/Ag Day' will be held on **Thursday 14th September**. More information will be in a newsletter closer to the day. In the meantime pencil in this date on your calendar.

7) Planting

Today Rooms 5 and 6 planted spinifex and natives along the track to the beach across from Korou Kore Marae. The planting will help stop the erosion of the sand dunes. Thank you to all the adults who came to help today.



Kia Ora
Jackie Osborne
Tumuaki/Principal

IYBTZ017
Indigenous Youth Basketball Tournament 2017

FREE
Community
Cultural Concert
& Youth Disco

Performances from Egea and the Kaitiaia Hip Hop Community, some of our #FNGT2017 Finalists and other Youth Groups

Thursday 17 August
6pm @ Te Ahu

6pm Kai Ready
\$5 Steamed Hangi
& BBQ for sale

630pm Concert Starts
Including winners of
Te Tai Tokerau
Regionals, 2017:
TKKM o Te Rangi
Aniwaniwa

**7.30pm FREE
Youth Disco**

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10 What Questions

to Develop a Growth Mindset
in Children

1. What did you do today that made you think hard?
2. What happened today that made you keep on going?
3. What can you learn from this?
4. What mistake did you make that taught you something?
5. What did you try hard at today?
6. What strategy are you going to try now?
7. What will you do to challenge yourself today?
8. What will you do to improve your work?
9. What will you do to improve your talent?
10. What will you do to solve this problem?

FAMOUS FAILURES

Bill Gates was a Harvard University dropout and his first business, Traf-O-Data, was a failure.

J.K. Rowling was unemployed, divorced and raising a daughter on social security while writing the first Harry Potter novel. Her novel "Harry Potter" was rejected by 12 publishing houses.

Failed in business three times and failed campaigning seven times prior to becoming President of the United States

**IF YOU YOU HAVE NEVER FAILED
YOU'VE NEVER TRIED ANYTHING NEW**