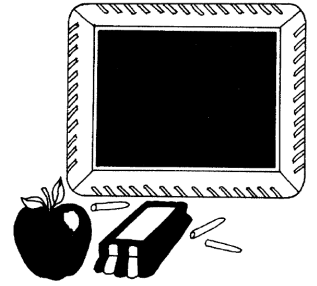


Berkley Korero

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Kids Literature Quiz

How much do you know about books?

On Wednesday 18th May, two teams of four represented Berkley in the annual Kids Literature Quiz competition. This competition was held at St. Paul's Collegiate School where they hosted teams of Primary and Intermediate school children from across the Waikato region. After over 100 questions, which were based around a wide range of literature, were asked, the results were announced.

Our two teams finished 3rd and 5th respectively.

Well done to team two, Zara Olifent, Grier Gardyne, Jonty Hogg and Matthew Treweek who reversed in school form and finished ahead of team one in 3rd place.

Also congratulations to team one, Caitlin Weren, Sam Harris, Stephanie Fairey and Hamish Weren who finished in 5th place.



Early Finish School Days Term 2

During term two there are two early finish days to support teachers in their Professional Development and Parent/Conferences. Please note the following times and days:

Monday	04 July	2.45pm
Thursday	07 July	2.45pm

Ministry buses will continue at normal times and students will be supervised. The Berkley bus will leave 10 minutes after school finishes on these days.

Teacher Only Day Monday 13 June

School will be closed to students on this day. Teachers will be involved in Professional Development

Student Lead Conferences

These are being held evening Thursday 7 July and Friday 8 July (school closed for day).

This year we are introducing a new format. Interviews will be scheduled in the evening and all the next day. Students will only come to school with their parent(s) for the conference on Friday 8 July.

On Tuesday 14 June an information sheet will be in your child's agenda book explaining how to log on to the link on our website to book a conference time.

Road Safety

Winter conditions increase the need to be extra careful when crossing roads, getting off buses or biking. Foggy conditions make getting to school particularly challenging!

Please re-enforce safety procedures you have in place for getting to and from school. Check that the bike is roadworthy, helmets are up to standard and that the clothing they are wearing makes them clearly visible, especially on foggy mornings.

Special Opportunity – last chance!

spent a week in French-speaking New Caledonia. The theme is “Viva la difference”. For seven days students are immersed in a culture where another language is spoken 99% of the time.

Students stay in a resort that has its own food preparation facilities. Each day they shop at the supermarket and produce market for their daily rations. Most of this interaction requires them speaking some French and dealing in local currency (franc). They then participate in the preparation of their meals.



Other opportunities include visiting cultural events, adjacent islands, the Aquarium, shopping, using the local transport system and snorkeling (The water is approx 23/24 degrees).

This year we are booked for 10–17 November. The price is approximately \$2300.00. To secure a position as a member of this group, a deposit of \$300 needs to be paid by 10 June. Eleven students have already paid their deposit.

Students in this group will join Mrs Frogley’s “special” French language class.

Uniform

Cooler temperatures are now seeing students needing to wear appropriate clothing. Our uniform shop has a good supply of clothing that will keep students comfortable and warm. By student request, we have now in stock, a scarf students can wear as part of their uniform. These are navy blue with Berkley embroidered on them (\$12).

Students are reminded that **they must wear only uniformed items at all times**. It is important to us that students look smart in their uniform when coming to and from school. Our community provides a very good security

blanket and reports frequently on the activity of our students (mostly positive comments).

The office has a supply of clean second-hand polar-fleeces that students can purchase for \$10.00.

Uniform Shop

Our uniform shop is managed by Direct Group Ltd. The opening times are :

**Tuesdays 8.00am – 9.00am
3.00pm – 4.00pm**

Please make all cheques out to ‘**Direct Group Ltd**’. Eftpos facilities are available in the shop on Tuesdays.

Keeping Us Informed

Student Attendance

If your child is absent from school due to sickness or for any reason, it is important that you contact the school before 9.00am that morning. Our preference is that you email our school website – www.berkley.school.nz and use ‘**Absence**’ link (on the home page) to enter the details. If this method is not possible then please ring our **message line** – 856 5956 to leave a voice message. If your child is absent for more than one day a note is required upon their return to school.

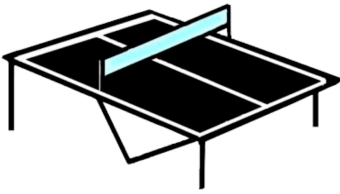
Students who need to leave the school grounds during the day **must** present a note from their parent/caregiver on each occasion, and sign in and out at the school office. **All students must be collected from the school office.**

Contact Phone Numbers and Email Addresses -

If your contact information changes – please inform our office. In an emergency this is often the only way in which we can make contact with you. Thank you for your support with this matter. It is essential that our records are up to date and accurate.

Table Tennis

During the next 4 weeks of term 2 we will be running our very popular table tennis unit in teaming.



If you have a table that we could borrow for this period (8th June – 2nd July) we would be very grateful. Please contact Mr. McAuley if you are able to help.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

June

Monday	06	Queens's Birthday
Tuesday	07	2 nd HPV Focus – Tainui
Wednesday	08	ICAS Science
Thursday	09	SS5 Large Ball
Monday	13	Teacher Only Day
Tuesday	21	Interschool Netball ICAS Spelling and Writing
Wednesday	22	Mufti Day
Thursday	23	ESOL trip to Kiwi House Next Korero home
Friday	24	Focus – Ararua
Tuesday	28	BOT Meeting 6.00pm
Wednesday	29	Big Night In
Thursday	30	Focus – Te Aroha

July

Monday	04	Early Finish – 2.45pm
Tuesday	05	Interschool Rugby
Thursday	07	Student Led Conferences
Friday	08	Student Led Conferences
Wednesday	13	SS6 Large Ball
Thursday	14	Korero home
Friday	15	Focus - Storytelling Last day of Term Two

Community News

Mathzwise

Expert Maths Tuition is held after school at Berkley Normal Middle School. Give your child the opportunity to be more confident and successful in Maths.

Win Free Weekly Maths Tuition

MathZwise are delighted to offer a term's free Maths tuition for 2 lucky Hamilton students to a value of \$390 for each student. Students who complete the entry form (available from the school office) will go in the draw to win 10 free weekly **mathZwise** tutoring sessions in term 3.

Contact Lesley Ashman 829 8749 or 021 122 5558 lesley@mathzwise.co.nz

Chatterbox Ltd – Dynamic Speech Classes

Roslyn has over 25 years teaching experience and is passionate about speaking.

FUN CLASSES: Kids learn to deliver a talk without cards, notes or memorising and gain huge confidence. Group classes just started: Weds 7.45am at School. Yrs 7-9 \$79 payable Wk 1.

ENQUIRIES: Roslyn 027 248 2888 or email –info@chatterbox.net.nz
www.chatterbox.net.nz

Gingerbread Cottage Ltd – Home-based childcare (Ministry Licenced ECE Provider)

Are seeking Educators in Hillcrest or Hamilton East to care for children in their own home. Contact– 855 3393 for more details.

Message from Sport Waikato

