



# Newsletter

Newsletter #7

Term 3

Kia ora nga whānau o te Kura o Ngutunui,

The term is racing by, with a number of events still to come so we are strapped in and ready for a very busy 3 weeks ahead.

Please ensure you are keeping up to date with the events in the school through either the Skool Loop school calendar or the school website calendar [www.ngutunui.school.nz](http://www.ngutunui.school.nz). There have been a number of permission slips sent out on the Skool Loop app so please check up are up to date with these also (also ensure you are subscribed to your child's class on Skool Loop). Please also join us on our Facebook page where we celebrate our learning at Ngutunui Enviro School.

Over the last couple of weeks, it has been fantastic to see your enviro schools ethos living within the students learning.

## Garden to Table:

We have checked the quality of our soil for our upcoming planting and then learned how to compost successfully.

Now we know the perfect ingredients (of air, water, nitrogen and carbon) watch our gardens grow!!

Thank you Kate from Garden to Table for coming out and sharing your knowledge



We have used our mandarin peel (from the school orchard) to make our own environmentally friendly cleaning spray. We now sit and wait patiently until this is ready to use.... we will up date you on how we have gone.

We are busy trying to get our gardens prepared for planting. If you would like to join us and help out on a Thursday for Garden to Table please let Sharyn know.

## What's coming up:

- 6th Sept Waiwhakata Farm visit
- 7th Sept Trees for Survival delivery
- 7th Sept Y7&8 Tech
- 8th Sept Rippa Tournament
- 12th Sept Senior Potting on day (trees for survival)
- 13th Sept Board hui
- 14th Sept Kawhia Moana Cross COuntry - whole school event
- 16th Sept Jump Jam Competition
- 16th & 17th Sept Fundraiser BBQ at Bennett MotorCross
- Week 10 BOOK WEEK
- 21st Sept Junior Potting on Day
- 22nd Sept: End of Term Learning Celebration and Book character dress up day
- 9th Oct Term 4 starts
- 12th Oct Ngutunui AG Day
- 17th Oct Group Day @ Paterangi School

## **Pest Control at Ngutunui School**

Our students have been learning about pests and predators.

Our juniors set tracking tunnels around the school grounds to watch over weeks and understand what pests we have around the school and where they are more likely to be hiding.

Our senior students recycled the timber from an old train in our playground and built traps to then place around the grounds (where our juniors had indicated high activity).

Getting pests under control at Ngutunui

Learning & Growing Together

A big thank you to Jane Shaw for her time, energy, motivation and passion to work with our students to make this all possible



On Wednesday 6th September the whole school are off to Waiwhakata Farm, where we will be learning more about this space, the history the present and looking to the future of this whenua.

ALL students need a packed lunchbox and drink bottle of water (NO HEAT UP WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK). All students need to be wearing covered in shoes or gumboots (gumboots preferred). We have wet weather gear at school for the kids if wet.

## **FUNDRAISERS**

### **SPRING SEED FUNDRAISER**

Thank you everyone for getting behind this fundraiser. ALL orders are due back on Wednesday 6th September (a reminder for ease of tracking payments please make one payment for the total order into the school bank account with your child's name as the reference: code seeds).

### **Bennetts Motor Cross BBQ (fundraiser)**

We have a few people who have indicated that they are available to help with their time on the 16th and 17th of September (times between 9am-5pm). Please get in touch if you are able to give us some time to help us at this event, we need your help.

### **Calendar Art:**

Coming home this week will be calendar art orders, please feel free to come in to view your child's artwork. Piwakawaka has focused their artwork on the seasons and Tui has focused on native birds using collage.

The funds raised at these fundraisers this term will complete our payment for our school gazebo and we aim to purchase a moveable basketball hoop for the down at the tennis courts.