

Whenuakite School Newsletter

No 3 Term 2



15th May 2017

Greetings and Kia Ora to everyone,

Elgregoe is here tomorrow at 9.30am.

Coroglen will join us to enjoy Elgregoe's show and message.

Thank you for the gold coin donations. They all help.



Thanks to the Fundraising Team for subsidising this visit.

Welcome to Lochlan Munro. Lochlan comes from Poroutawhao School, near Levin and he is joining Room 6.

Welcome also to Brielle Fraser. Brielle turns five today and is joining Room 1. Great to have you here, Brielle.

BOT Meeting—this Thursday at 7pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

All of the classes are practising skipping at present.

Instead of Assembly on Friday 26th May, we will be having a **Skipping Demonstration** on the courts—starting at 2pm.

You are welcome to come along and see what the children can do with the skipping ropes.



Boot Camp Cooks Beach

- Mondays @ Reserve on Banks St 9.30am
- Wednesdays @ Purangi Reserve 9.30am
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All fitness levels and abilities welcome.

First session free!

Bookings essential

Please contact Carly 021 022 35244



Head lice

Community health conditions like Head lice, Impetigo (School sores), chicken pox, measles, coughs and colds etc are always present in our communities.

At the start of every term is probably the worst time for head lice. It seems head lice come to school on the first day of the term and then everyone is more aware of them.

This term we have also had some children with **impetigo**. Impetigo is very contagious but it is easily and quickly treated with the correct medication. The local chemists can help with this.

Many children appear really attractive to head lice and their families are continually trying to eliminate them. Below is some information about a new product that may be available on subsidised prescription.

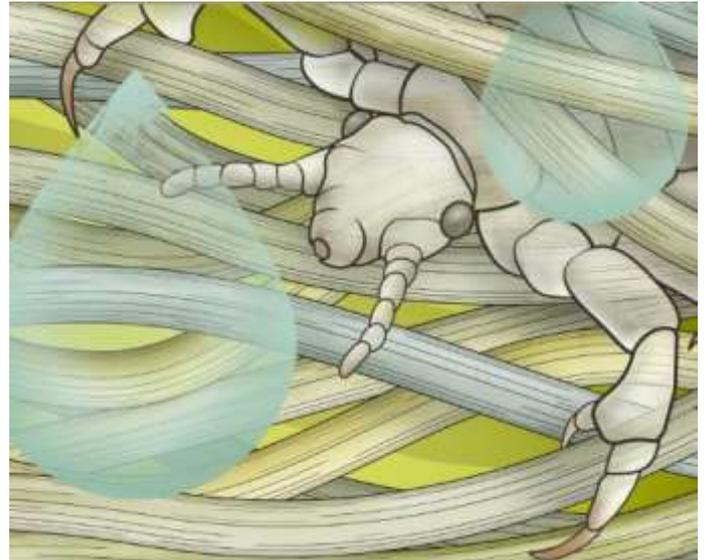
It might help. More information on this link.

<http://bpac.org.nz/2017/dimethicone.aspx>

4% dimethicone lotion: a subsidised treatment for head lice

From 1 May, 2017, 4% dimethicone lotion can be prescribed fully subsidised for the treatment of head lice, which adds another treatment option to the currently subsidised 0.5% phenothrin shampoo. Lice are unlikely to develop resistance to dimethicone lotion as it is not an insecticide and instead kills lice by suffocation.

Key practice points:



- Ensure that parents and caregivers are aware that subsidised head lice treatments are available on prescription
- Dimethicone is a highly effective head lice treatment, with a low risk of adverse effects: two applications of dimethicone one week apart results in successful eradication in at least 70% of patients
- Dimethicone is not an insecticide. It kills lice by suffocation and disrupting their ability to regulate water. Products with this mechanism of action may become the preferred treatment for head lice as it is unlikely lice will develop resistance, which can occur with insecticide-based treatments
- After successful treatment, non-viable eggs and empty egg casings may remain in the hair, but can be combed out to reduce possible embarrassment and stigmatisation of children

Whenuakite Countrykids

EOTC (education outside the centre) Fundraiser for Whenuakite Country Kids – Pinecones for Sale \$7 per bag or 3 for \$20.

Room 6 Auckland Overnighter

We visited and stayed the night at the Auckland Zoo last week. Walking around the zoo in the dark spying on the animals was an amazing experience! We slept in the old Elephant House and had education sessions about Endangered Animals. The next day we spent time at MOTAT exploring Fantastic Flight, and experimenting with forces. Everyone had a fantastic trip.

Big thanks to all the parent helpers and the fundraising team for making this a trip to remember!

Steph.





COMMUNITY PLANTING DAY!

**SUNDAY 4 JUNE (QUEENS BIRTHDAY WEEKEND)
COOKS BEACH, OPPOSITE 26 MARINE PARADE
10AM TO MID-DAY**

Bring the family and get involved!
Please bring digging tool, gloves and sun protection.

If wet planting will be postponed to the same time Monday,
check at cooksbeachcare.org.nz

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REGIONAL COUNCIL TO HELP PRESERVE OUR DUNES!**

