

1-12 March	Testing Weeks
13 March	PTA Camp Out
15 March	Swimming starts for Rooms 14 & 10
16 March	Milford Beach Trip – Year 1 BOT Meeting Swimming starts for Room 16
17 March	Milford Beach Trip – Year 2
17 & 19 March	Netball Trials
18 March	PTA Annual Meeting
24 & 25 March	Parent/Teacher Interviews
25 March	Swimming starts for Rooms 9, 11 & 12
28 March	Shore to Shore
31 March	Walk to School Wednesday
1 April	Last Day of Term 1 – School closes 3.00pm

Dear Parents and Caregivers
Kia Ora

Room 1 (Mr Carrick Wilson) received the School Banner for the Writing they have on display in their classroom (Stories and Sentence Structure) and their study on the local environment at Long Bay Beach.

The Respect Trophy went to Sophie Dunn, a Year 2 pupil for showing politeness to her teacher and classmates.

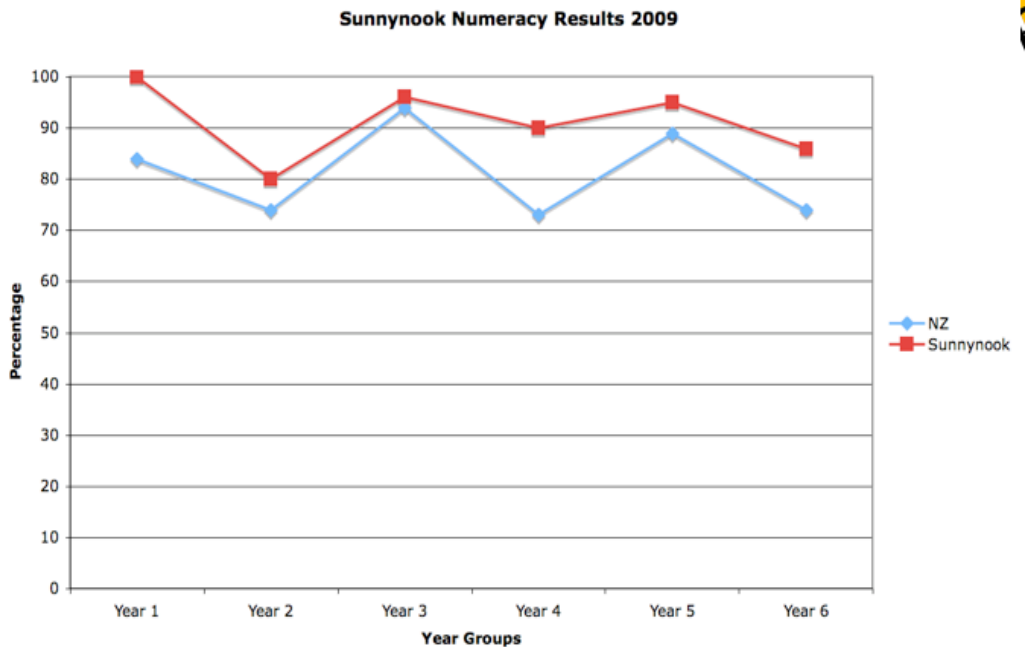
The Walk to School Week was very successful, particularly Room 21 who received the Walking Award with 76% of the class walking to school on Wednesday.

2009 Mathematics Results

Twice a year children are assessed on their knowledge of Maths strategies (this is slightly different from Maths knowledge, which is times tables etc.). This test is done in an interview with each child and can be matched with NZ results.

The comparison of Sunnynook children with the NZ results is shown in the graph.

We are pleased with this result and it is just one more example of how Sunnynook School teachers monitor your child's progress.



PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

A notice regarding Parent / Teacher Interviews came home with the children last week. Please complete the form and return it to the school by **Friday 12 March**. Appointment times will come home with your child on **Monday 22 March**.

The interviews are 10 minutes each and are held over the two nights of **Wednesday 24 March** and **Thursday 25 March**.

PTA CAMP OUT – this weekend !!

If you are interested and have not booked a site please call into the Office and complete a form (Payments are \$5.00 per person with Breakfast Rolls \$3.50) before 10am Friday 12 March. The Camp Out begins from 3pm Saturday with tent sites allocated on a "first come – first serve" basis. Parents are reminded that they are responsible for the supervision of their children over the weekend. Rain Date 20 March 2010.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees will be meeting Tuesday 16 March at 6.15pm in the staffroom.

BEACH CLEAN UP

Thanks to the Year 5 and 6 team who joined Westpac Bank for a clean up of Long Bay - even though the rain caused an early end.

ROAD PATROL

Carol Mather has been appointed by the Board to monitor the Pedestrian Crossing on Tonkin Drive. The Board was concerned at the difficulty in getting parents to monitor the crossing and decided to appoint Carol to the role. Carol will be supervising the crossing each morning and afternoon. Thanks Carol for your support ensuring our children are safe to and from school each day.

At our next School Assembly (March 19) the Booster Rooster team will be attending, to pass on the message of seat belt safety.

BIKES

Year 5 and 6 children turning 10 years old were tested last week for bike Licence. These children can ride to school, once they turn 10, as permission was requested prior. Please remember to lock your bike in the school bike rack.

SCOOTERS

If children are bringing scooters to school, parents could you please write a note to Mrs Montague advising her of this. At this stage, scooters need to be stored in cloakbays, not in the bike rack. (Please name them).

POOL KEYS

The last day for use of the school pool is March 31. Could all keys please be returned to the Office.

NATIONAL STANDARDS MEETING

Sponsored by the teachers' professional body, NZEI, a public meeting is being held to discuss "Why the National Standards should be trialed". Guest speakers include Professor Martin Thrupp from Waikato University, Emeritus Professor Warwick Elley, and Louie Guy, Principal of New Windsor School. Where: Target Road School on 31 March at 7pm.

SPORT

Year 2 Netball: Netball season is near..... interested in playing on Saturdays at Pinehurst School? It is a fun and easy game for Year 2 children to learn. If your child is interested please contact Losa on 444-0355 or 021 1260 637 or email losluv@gmail.com by Wednesday 17 March.

Year 5/6 Netball and Hockey: A notice regarding Year 5/6 Netball and Hockey went home with the children this week. If your child is interested in playing please complete the form and return it to the office by **Monday 15 March**. If your child did not receive a notice, extra notices are available from the office.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Kids Bike Jams: On 16 May - the biggest national mountain bike series for kids aged 5-13 years. For more information www.kidsbikejams.co.nz

North Shore Soccer: April Holidays (6th – 16th April). Fun soccer games and skills for girls and boys aged 5-12yrs. Prizes to be won throughout the week all through the supervision of our qualified coaches. Location - Takapuna Grammar School Sports hall and fields at 9am-1pm. Contact Chris Bryson on 021 0676700 or (09) 449 2795, email nssoccercamp@hotmail.com.

Peter Mulcahy
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