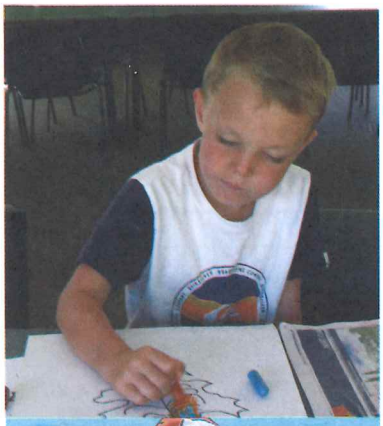

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Newsletter -Week 7 Term 3 2019

September 4 2019

Truthfulness Respect Trustworthiness Confidence Cooperation Compassion Honesty

Important Dates to Remember:

Sept 19	Production – Cinderella Rockafella
Sept 20	Oroua Disco
Sept 23	Rural Zero Waste Room 3 and 4
Sept 24	KSSC Meeting
Sept 24	Oroua Y7-8 Technology Challenge
Sept 26	Rural Zero Waste Room 3 and 4
Sept 27	Tough Kid - Ohingaiti
Sept 27	Last day of term 3
Oct 14	First Day of term 4
Oct 31	PET DAY

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

Tolerance

To be tolerant is to accept differences. You don't expect others to think, look, speak or act just like you. Tolerance is being free of prejudice, knowing that all people have feelings, needs, hopes and dreams. To be tolerant also means to accept things you wish were different with flexibility and patience.

Week ending Friday 30 August 2019

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Room 1:	Lane Coleman	Improvement in spelling and fluency in reading
Room 2:	Rawinia Hill	Trying hard at school, writing her name correctly and counting to ten
Room 3:	Madison Tiller	Being a wonderful role model, helping younger students and taking pride in her senior leader job
Room 4:	Claire Lott	Enthusiasm in singing

CLASS AWARDS

Room 1:	Darcy Jensen	Great speech topic, lovely manners and great work ethic
Room 2:	Eve McDougall	Fabulous classroom helper. Being kind and tidying up without being asked
Room 3:	Archie Morton	Enthusiasm in his role in the production
Room 4:	Elliott Holdaway	Great attitude to production practise and learning his lines well

NIGHTS READING: Congratulations to the following children who received certificates on Friday 30 August for completing

50 Nights Home Reading: Grace Jenkins

100 Nights Home Reading: Lane Coleman and Nate Henricksen

125 Nights Home Reading: Emmett Sisson, Navara Bowness-Poi and Charlie Morton

175 Nights Home Reading: Georgia Loveridge, Keeliarn Clifton and Cohen Clifton

HOUSE OF THE WEEK: Mt Tongiriro

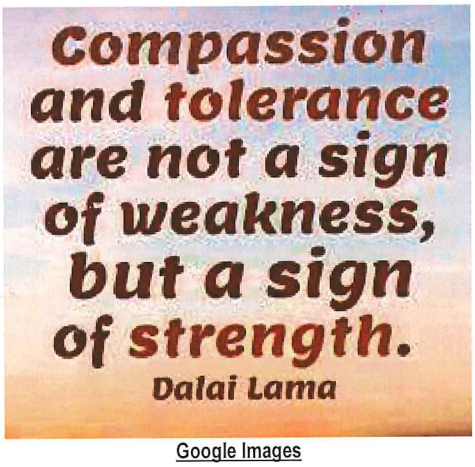
KIMBOLTON EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

Enrolments / spaces available for two to five year old children.

- Enrol, and your tamariki will experience a nurturing caring environment with two experienced Kaiako.
- Kimbolton Early Learning has two spaces available every day of the week for part or full time tamariki.
- Two to three year olds have up to 20 hours free.
- Three to five year olds have up to 30 hours free.

Phone Crissy or Chris on 06 280 3212 or 027 587 8833 and drop in for a visit.

THIS FORTNIGHTS QUOTE



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KIMBOLTON SCHOOL WAKA

W- whanau
A – attitude
K – kindness
A – achievement

NEWSLETTER DATES TERM 3 2019

Week 7 Wednesday 4 September
Week 9 Wednesday 18 September

The newsletter is also uploaded to the website and the School App.
A calendar of events is included on the school website and the school App.

EXPECTED ASSEMBLY DATES FOR TERM 3 2019 SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Week 8 Friday 13 September
Week 10 Thursday 26 September

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations go to all our students who spoke at the Oroua Speech Competition. They all did a great job.
We especially congratulate Lily Bell who was placed second equal in the Year 7-8 group with her speech about Parihaka and Kaiya Hetet who was placed third in the Year 5-6 group with her speech about drownings.

NETBALL WINS

Eight of our students played in the Intermediate grade netball on Monday nights in Palmerston North this year. On Monday 26 August the Oroua Ferns (Sarah Wasley, Holly McIntyre, Georgia Coleman and Ellen Rooney) played Mt Biggs in the finals and won 26/21. The Oroua Gold Ferns (Laura Manning, Madison Tiller, Petra Newton and Lily Bell) played Whakaronga and won 19/9.
Their thanks go to their dedicated coaches – Loren McIntyre and Dinah Coleman.

FEILDING SATURDAY MORNING RUGBY

Several of our students received awards at the Feilding Saturday Morning Rugby Prizegiving held last weekend. We would like to congratulate the following students:
Flinn Henricksen - Trophy for Most Improved Under 13.
Holly McIntyre - The Sarah Goss Cup for Most Promising Female Rugby Player and also the Sportsmanship award for her team.
Nikora Poi - Trophy for Player of the Year in U10 grade
Hunter Jacques - Trophy for the Best Ball Skills in the U8 grade.
Nate Henricksen - Certificate for Most Improved player in his U9 team
Lane Coleman - Certificate for Best Tackler in his U9 team.
Sam Holdaway - Certificate for Best Tackler in his U8 team.
Eve McDougall - Certificate for Sportsmanship in her Mighty Midget team.

CAREERS WEEK

We are planning a "careers week" in Term 4 for Rooms 3 and 4 and are looking for people to come and talk about their jobs to our students and what they needed for their job.
If you are willing to do this for us, please let us know and we will sort a time.

Thanks

HEAD LICE

PLEASE NOTE: *Dimethicone lotion can be prescribed* ***FULLY SUBSIDISED*** *for the treatment of head lice. It is not an insecticide but instead kills lice by suffocation. Two applications a week apart is successful in at least 70% of patients.*

Tips for parents *– if someone in your household has a lice infestation*

- *Clean combs after use on an infected person in very hot water for 5-10 minutes*
- *Advise children not to share combs and brushes*
- *Keep long hair tied up to reduce the chance of lice being transmitted to another person*
- *Avoid sharing frequently worn hats, hair accessories or sports head gear*
- *Avoid taking closely grouped photos with anyone who has an active infestation (this includes selfies)*

CYBER SAFETY

Just a reminder that you NEED to be aware of what your children are doing **on line and on their phones** and you **SHOULD** be checking what they are doing. Reluctance on their behalf to let you see is cause for concern. **You may be surprised at what your child is doing!**

ALSO please be aware of the content of Play Station games and the like that your children are playing. R18 Games are **NOT** appropriate for children at any time. Please check out **https://www.netsafe.org.nz/advice/parenting/**where you will find a lot of good advice and information.

ROOM 3 WRITING

To follow are two speeches written by Room 3 students.

CHOCOLATE

Hello chocolate lovers. Hands up if you'd like a bar of chocolate? You probably love to sink your teeth into creamy bars of chocolate. But do you know the human sacrifices that are happening today just because you love chocolate.

Child slaves are common in Western Africa where cocoa is grown. The children begin working at a young age to help support their families. Some children are sold to farm owners by their relatives. Traffickers abduct young children from villages in neighbouring countries. The children may not see their families for years, if ever. Most children are aged between 12 and 16 but reporters have found kids as young as 5.

A child's day typically begins at six in the morning and ends late in the evening. Children use chainsaws to clear the forests, and they climb the cocoa trees to cut bean pods using machetes. These dangerous knives are the standard tools for children on cocoa farms. Every strike has the potential to slice a child's flesh.

The majority of children have scars on their bodies from the machete. The children also pack the pods into sacks that weigh more than 100 pounds when full and drag them through the forest. A former cocoa slave, said "Some of the bags were taller than me, it took two people to put the bag on my head and when you didn't hurry you were beaten".

A Washington Post reporter wrote that he saw five boys swinging machetes on a cocoa farm on the Ivory Coast. Each of the boys had crossed the border from Burkina Faso because their country was in poverty. When asked how old they were one of the boys said in a hushed voice, "Nineteen," so that would make him legal.

When the farmer was distracted the boy crouched down and wrote in the sand 15. He said that he had been working on cocoa farms since he was 10.

The odds are likely that a chocolate bar is the product of child labour. Two thirds of the world's cocoa supply come from West Africa where more than 2 million children are engaged in dangerous labour in cocoa-growing regions. Hersheys, Mars and Nestle could not guarantee that any of their chocolates were produced without child

One reason is that nearly 20 years after pledging to stop child labour, chocolate companies still cannot identify where all their cocoa comes from. Mars, maker of M&M's and Milky Way, can only trace 24% of its cocoa back to farms. Hershey, maker of Kisses and chocolate sauce can trace less than 50%. Nestle can trace roughly 49% of its cocoa supply to farms.

In recent years a handful of organisations and journalists have exposed child labour. Since then the industry has become secretive, making it difficult for reporters to access cocoa farms. A journalist has even been killed trying to report on child slavery on cocoa farms. In 2010 three newspaper journalists were arrested after they published an article exposing government corruption of cocoa on the Ivory Coast.

Drissa, a recently freed slave was asked what he would tell people who ate chocolate made from slave labour and he said they enjoyed something he suffered to make adding, "When people eat chocolate, they are eating my flesh".

Sarah Wasley

Noeline Taurua

Sitting on the edge of my seat. One minute left. Silver Ferns up by one point! 3,2,1 the honker goes off. Silver Ferns win against Australia and are now the world Champions!

Heck, eleven months ago the Silver Ferns couldn't even win against Malawi, once a team they have won against by 33 goals. How was it possible that a powerful team could lose so defeatedly to them, then to win the 2019 Netball World Cup? The answer- Noeline Taurua.

Noeline Taurua was born on the 26th of March 1968. She's been the Silver Ferns coach since August 2018. When she became the Silver Ferns new coach the team were at their lowest.

Noeline played for New Zealand from 1994-1999 as WA and GA. She attended the 1995 Netball World Cup and won the bronze medal. In 1998 Noeline went to the Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur and got a silver medal but a knee injury brought a close to her elite career.

Three years later Noeline decided to be a netball coach. So, in 2002 she became coach to Waikato/Bay of Plenty Magic. She was also coach for Southern Steal in 2016. In 2017, she coached Sunshine Coast Lightning and in 2018, she became the number one coach of the Silver Ferns!

The Silver Ferns winning the World Cup against their toughest rival wasn't luck on the 21st of July 2019. They well and truly outplayed Australia. Rebuilt piece by piece, process by process by the master coach, Noeline.

How did Noeline make them Champs? Fitness is very important to the Silver Ferns so Noeline sent them on training camps for five days and made fitness a priority.

Noeline also had to get creative and got tough competition. The Silver Ferns played the New Zealand Men's Netball team. This was the first time the men had ever played the Silver Ferns.

They played in June and the Silver Ferns lost 66-54. Noeline however didn't regret it as she said, "They've always been there and it's about getting the quality competition at the highest level."

Finally, after 16 years the Silver Ferns are once again champions. Noeline had a goal to rebuild the fallen superpowers of the sport! She said, "The team were all on the same page like paddling in the same direction in a waka."

On the day of the World Cup final, Noeline said, "There was something about that day, the vibe, the fans and the atmosphere that felt like something spectacular was about to happen."

So, will Noeline stick around to seek Commonwealth Games redemption? Who knows! If there's one thing we have learnt in the past 11 months, anything can happen.

Ellen Rooney

SCHOOL BANKING

THURSDAYS

If your child does not already belong to the Kimbolton School banking programme and they would like to join, please let Judy know.

KSSC MEETING

The next KSSC Meeting will now be held on Tuesday 24th September.

KSSC LUNCHES TERM 3

The dates for the term 3 KSSC lunches are as follows:

Friday 13th Sept - Mac and cheese and cookie
Friday 27th Sept - Nachos and banana muffins

Last term the KSSC raised $268.90 from their delicious lunches.

CLOTHING

We have no lost property at school but in order to help us keep it that way, we *ask that you name all of your child's/ children's clothing. This makes it easier for us to return items that have been left/forgotten to the correct owner.*

TOUCH

Feilding Junior Touch will be starting in Term 4 on Thursday 24th October. The season runs weekly for seven weeks through to Thursday 5th December. The games are held at Victoria Park every Thursday from 4-7pm.

Teams are as follows:

Year 1 & 2
Year 3 & 4
Year 5 & 6
Year 7 & 8

There will be a small fee per child. If your children are interested in playing, please let Judy know **asap**. We will also be needing managers for teams so if you can help out please also let Judy know.

TOUGH KID

FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER
MCINTYRE RESERVE, OHINGAITI
10.00am-approx 1.45pm.

All Year 3-8 children will be competing in a fun, muddy and challenging obstacle course on the last day of Term 3. It will be held at McIntyre Reserve, Ohingaiti from 10.00am-approx 1.45pm. **This event will go ahead unless there are severe thunder storms.** If the event has to be called off, schools will be contacted at 7.00am on Friday.

ALL competitors need to wear their Kimbolton t-shirt and shorts to compete in. Shoes are recommended as there are wooden obstacles and there is a possibility of splinters. *Those children competing in team events will be issued another Kimbolton t-shirt for their team event. (This will be one of our older t-shirts)*

ALL competitors also need to bring a towel and a change of clothing – preferably warm clothing. They will get wet and muddy on the course.

There will be a BBQ on the day but be aware that queues will be long so it will pay to bring your own food. ALL competitors also need to bring a bottle of water. We wish our students all the best.

YEAR 1 and 2 students will attend school as normal.

THANK YOU FROM TIM AND HAROLD!

We had a truly stunning 3 days at Kimbolton School - the warmth, kindness and enthusiasm that you all show is so infectious and we would have happily stayed with you for the rest of the year! We were so impressed with the thoughtful discussions both in and out of the mobile classroom and how keen everyone was to learn and share in the learning.

We would love you to go to our Life Ed Manawatu Facebook page, select "page" and locate the Kimbolton School post where you will find photos from the visit - please leave a comment, and if you like us: FANTASTIC!

Thank you again for having us at your amazing school - good luck for your production, take care and have a spectacular rest of the year!

LOVE FROM TIM AND HAROLD!

YUMMY STICKERS

It's only 4 weeks until the end of this term so time to gather up all your yummy stickers and send them in (if you haven't already).

This will be the 22nd year we have been running this promotion and we have another $200,000 of sports gear for schools.

LOCAL BODY ELECTIONS

MEET THE CANDIDATES
Thursday 12 September
Rangiwahia Hall
7pm (followed by supper)
Please join the Rangiwahia Community as they host a 'Meet the Candidates' meeting. In attendance will be the eight rural ward candidates and the three Mayoral candidates. An invitation to attend has been extended to the six Regional Council candidates for the Manawatu-Rangitikei Constituency. The MDC candidates will speak first. There will be a time limit for each speaker and the meeting will be chaired. The meeting will be followed by a light supper (please feel free to bring a plate). Enquiries to Geoff Le Quesne – Chair (06) 3282701 or Fiona Morton – Secretary (06) 3282856 / rangiwahia1886@gmail.com

MEASLES

Stopping the spread
Measles is a highly infectious airborne virus which affects both children and adults. If you think you have measles, it's important to call before visiting your doctor to avoid you spreading the virus in the waiting room.
If you're feeling sick, you should stay away from work, school or public places, to help prevent putting other people at risk.
This also applies if you or a family member aren't fully immunised and may have been in contact with someone with measles.
By isolating yourself you will help protect vulnerable people including babies, pregnant women, cancer patients and others who are unable to be immunised and for whom the impact of the disease can be devastating.
You are contagious 5 days before to 5 days after rash onset, counting the day of rash onset as day one.

Measles complications
Measles can be life threatening: about 1 in 10 people with measles will need hospital treatment.
Measles can also lead to other complications, including:

- ear infections (which can cause permanent hearing loss)
- diarrhoea
- pneumonia
- seizures
- swelling of the brain – this is rare, but can cause permanent brain damage or death. Up to 30% of people with measles will develop complications – usually children under 5 and adults over the age of 20.

Measles during pregnancy increases the risk of miscarriage, premature labour and low birth-weight babies.

The best way to stop the spread of measles is immunisation

MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE: DON'T WAIT – TAKE ACTION

There have been 3 confirmed cases of meningococcal disease in the MidCentral region during July/August.
Meningococcal disease is a serious bacterial disease which can affect anyone but it is more common in children under the age of 5, teenagers and young adults. It can look like influenza in its early stages but it can very quickly get much worse. The illness may develop slowly over 1-2 days or quickly over a period of a few hours so it is important to not wait and seek immediate medical help in the early stages of symptoms – ring a doctor - or ring Healthline 0800 611 116 straightaway at any time of the day, even if you have already been seen by a doctor. Don't be put off. Insist on immediate action.
Your baby or child may: have a fever, high pitched cry or unsettled, refuse drinks or feeds, vomit, be sleepy or floppy/harder to wake, have a stiff neck, dislike bright lights, have a rash or spots (that don't fade when pressed and look like small bruises).
Adults may: have a fever, a headache, vomit, be sleepy, confused, delirious or unconscious, a stiff neck, dislike bright lights, have joint pain and aching muscles, have a rash or spots (that don't fade when pressed and look like small bruises).

The best way to avoid getting sick with meningococcal disease is to not share spit/saliva and other respiratory secretions with other people. To do this:

- don't share food, drinks, cutlery, toothbrushes, pacifiers, cigarettes and other objects that can transfer spit.

cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze

- washing and drying your hands can help reduce the chance of spreading the bacteria that can cause illness.

There are vaccines for certain strains of meningococcal disease available in NZ. Some are free for certain high-risk groups. There is a charge for vaccines for adults and children who do not fit into these groups. See your GP for further information.

OROUA SPORTS CLUB NEWSLETTER – AUG 2019

Welcome to our very first Oroua Sports Club newsletter!!! We have been working hard to pull everything together and I am very excited to let you all know we have successfully formed the beginning stages of our Club.

Confirmed so far:

1. A name for the Club – Oroua Sports Club Incorporated
2. An active and committed committee
3. An Oroua Sports Club plan
4. Support from our communities
5. And the most exciting . . . . . some really positive feedback with commitment of financial support from local businesses for sponsorship!!!
6. Sports offered to begin with; Netball, Hockey and Tennis

After a meeting with the Oroua School Cluster Principals meeting in March followed by a few letters and meetings with the school community I managed to get a committee together to join the ride. There is a representative from every school and the netball and hockey groups.

Oroua Sports Club Committee

President – Lis Giesen. Secretary – Anna Hare. Treasurer - Sarah Gilbertson. Hockey Coordinator – Steph Strahan

Netball Coordinator - Kathryn Humphrey.

Committee Members – Caro Haack (Kimbolton), Hayley Field (Apiti), Nik Hogan (Waituna West), Claire Clare (W.W)

We are conscious that extra involvement from Kiwitea, Kimbolton and Apiti would be great and hopefully as the club evolves more will be interested in the future to help keep the momentum.

Our plan is to help eliminate some of the barriers our kids face living in the rural communities, (i.e. inability to field teams from one school, the cost for families, supporting the volunteers who make up our communities to ensure sustainability of these sports). This will hopefully increase their participation in sport. We will be an inclusive and supportive club providing affordable and possibly new sporting opportunities for our children.

We are currently going through the application process to become a 'Not for Profit' Incorporated Society. John Henderson, a solicitor from Marton, is assisting in this process.

By forming an incorporated 'Sports Club' it will give us the ability to apply for grants, pub charities and sponsorship which will help pay for the expenses of each sport including competition subs, uniforms, coaching, gear etc. By having this financial support, it will give the Club the opportunity to pass on these subsidies to the members. For example, to join the club in the winter season the cost will be $30.00pp which would cover multiple sports played for the club for that season.

We are very excited that Hunterville Vets Club have committed to supporting us with funds over three years. As their contribution is significant, they have been named our Foundation Sponsor and their logo will be printed on the sleeves of the OSC hoodies that were introduced this winter. We are currently formalising a sponsorship plan with in the club and are seeking a chief sponsor with naming rights to tennis, with discussions to be had with the current hockey and netball sponsors. If you have ideas of possible Business's looking to invest in a very cool community initiative, please let us know.

As well as funding and sponsorship we will run small fundraising events such as sausage sizzles, raffles etc to help further reduce individual annual subs. This will require some input from our members to show their support. We see it also as a way to have a presence in the wider community and it may even catch someone's attention as a great investment for them in some way shape or form.

Essentially netball and hockey will continue in their current format however, they will run under the OSC umbrella, so we are able to support them financially as above. We are adding tennis as a summer sport this year, offering the opportunity for the children who would like to play in the Manawatu Interclub competition starting in the fourth term. We will also introduce a monthly (out of school) social tennis competition around the cluster (we plan to finalise how this will work before the tennis open day on the 15th September at Kiwitea). With the support of sponsorship and grants we are also hoping to offer heavily subsidised tennis lessons in term 1, 2020 similar to what George and Damien Silk offered in term 1 this year. To launch the club, we have decided to go with netball and hockey in the winter and tennis in the summer and if this is successful, we hope to introduce other sports in our second year.

To ensure this club is sustainable and successful, it is all-important we have support from the communities and schools in our cluster, if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns please get in touch with any of our OSC Committee members. This is going to be a team effort and we are all very excited about the sporting opportunities it is going to offer the children of our communities.

Lis Giesen

On behalf of the Oroua Sports Club Committee.

KID GOATS FOR SALE

School Ag Day Kid Goats for Sale

We have Saanen (White) kid goats for sale. These kids are from high production milking goats. Ideal pets for your children's school Ag day or starting your own herd. Buying girls and breeding your own will produce milk and feta cheese for years to

come. We are moving up to Whangarei and will not be taking the kids on this arduous journey. Girls $140, boys $70. If you wish we will wether the boys. Contact us through mobile or email Shoota Ballinger 02 778 776 78
shoota@ballinger.co.nz

FAMILY FUN TRIVIA NIGHT

Join Feilding Library on Friday 4th October for a Family-friendly fun night out testing your trivia knowledge. Tickets are $10.00 per team. Teams need to be 4-6 plays with one person being over the age of 20. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and last team.

Purchase tickets directly from the Library or via https://bit.ly/2Kx1rV5<https://bit.ly/2Kx1rV5?fbclid=IwAR09gKIWPkNIUrE757jQFtDfHI6sydm2CNC4-gjgh1qYrY6eKUyQVi_W-RI>

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The Kimbolton School Enviroschools/Enrichment Programme extends their gratitude and appreciation to the Hunterville Vet Club for their sponsorship of our 2019 activities. Your support enables us to provide valuable learning experiences to our students.

FEILDING GYMNASTICS

TERM 4 RECREATIONAL GYMNASTICS

We are running extra sessions of recreational gymnastics this year in term 4. Tues 15th Oct till Sat 30th Nov.

Open to all abilities. Ages 3+.

Cost $60.

Class sizes are limited. First in first served basis

Saturday Sessions: 3-7 yrs: 11am - 12.15pm

7yrs + : 12.30 – 1.45pm

Tuesday Sessions: 5-8 yrs: 5pm – 6.15pm

8yrs+: 6.30 – 7.45pm

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MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

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DATE: FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

PLACE: KIWITEA HALL

TIMES: YEAR 0 - 5 5.00 - 6.30PM
YEAR 6 - 8 7.00 - 8.30PM

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SUNDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2019

11AM - 3PM @KIWITEA SCHOOL

FUN DRILLS, SKILLS AND GAMES

ALL GEAR SUPPLIED

KEY FACTS
ABOUT THE POSSUM CONTROL OPERATION

What's happening?
In July 2006 Horizons Regional Council initiated a new direction for possum control in the Region with the introduction of the Possum Control Operation (PCO). The PCO involves the control of possums within selected areas of rateable land within the Manawatu Wanganui Region. The number of targeted areas is planned to increase over a 12 year period with the goal of having all rateable land under sustained possum control. Public conservation land is not included at present. The purpose of the program is to control possums to help protect native habitats and enhance production. The program will also maximize the benefits of Animal Health Board funded pest control investment targeted at eliminating Bovine Tuberculosis.

How is it happening?
Baits containing the pesticides cyanide (trade name Feratox) and brodifacoum (Pestoff) will be used to poison the possums. The toxins will be placed in bait stations throughout the operational areas in likely possum habitat.

'Feratox', an encapsulated cyanide pellet, may be placed in green Ferafeed 215 paste in bait stations. Feratox contained in blocks coloured green may also be placed in bait stations.

'Pest off' is a brand name for green dyed cereal pellets containing brodifacoum which will be placed in bait stations.

Where is it happening?
The attached maps show the boundaries of the operational areas where toxins will be used.

What do you need to know?
All of the toxins used are poisonous to possums, domestic animals and humans. Poisoning can occur through handling or eating the bait.

These risks can be eliminated by following these simple rules:

- **DO NOT** handle any bait
- **DO NOT** allow CHILDREN to wander unsupervised
- **DO NOT** bring DOGS into this area
- **DO NOT** handle or take ANIMALS for eating

Observe these rules whenever you see poison warning signs about the pesticide. Warning notices will be positioned on main entry points where toxins have been laid.

WARNING POISON

This area is under ongoing maintenance for the control of Possums as part of an Horizons Regional Council Possum Control Operation. Persons entering this area are warned that poisons ticked below are laid in this area.

☐ Brodifacoum
☐ Cyanide
☐ Cholecalciferol
Other: _____

Date last treated: / /

- Feral animals in this area may contain residues and should not be harvested for food.
- Do not touch baits, stations, or animals carcasses.
- Supervise children at all times within this area.
- Dogs should be kept under control at all times.
- It is an offence to remove this sign unless authorised.

For further information contact:
Controller:
Phone:
horizons regional council

NATIONAL POISONS CENTRE: 0800 764 766

What to do in the event of poisoning or suspected poisoning.

Always contact your:

- Local doctor, or
- Local hospital, or
- National Poisons Centre 0800 764 766

Should you require any further advice or information please contact:

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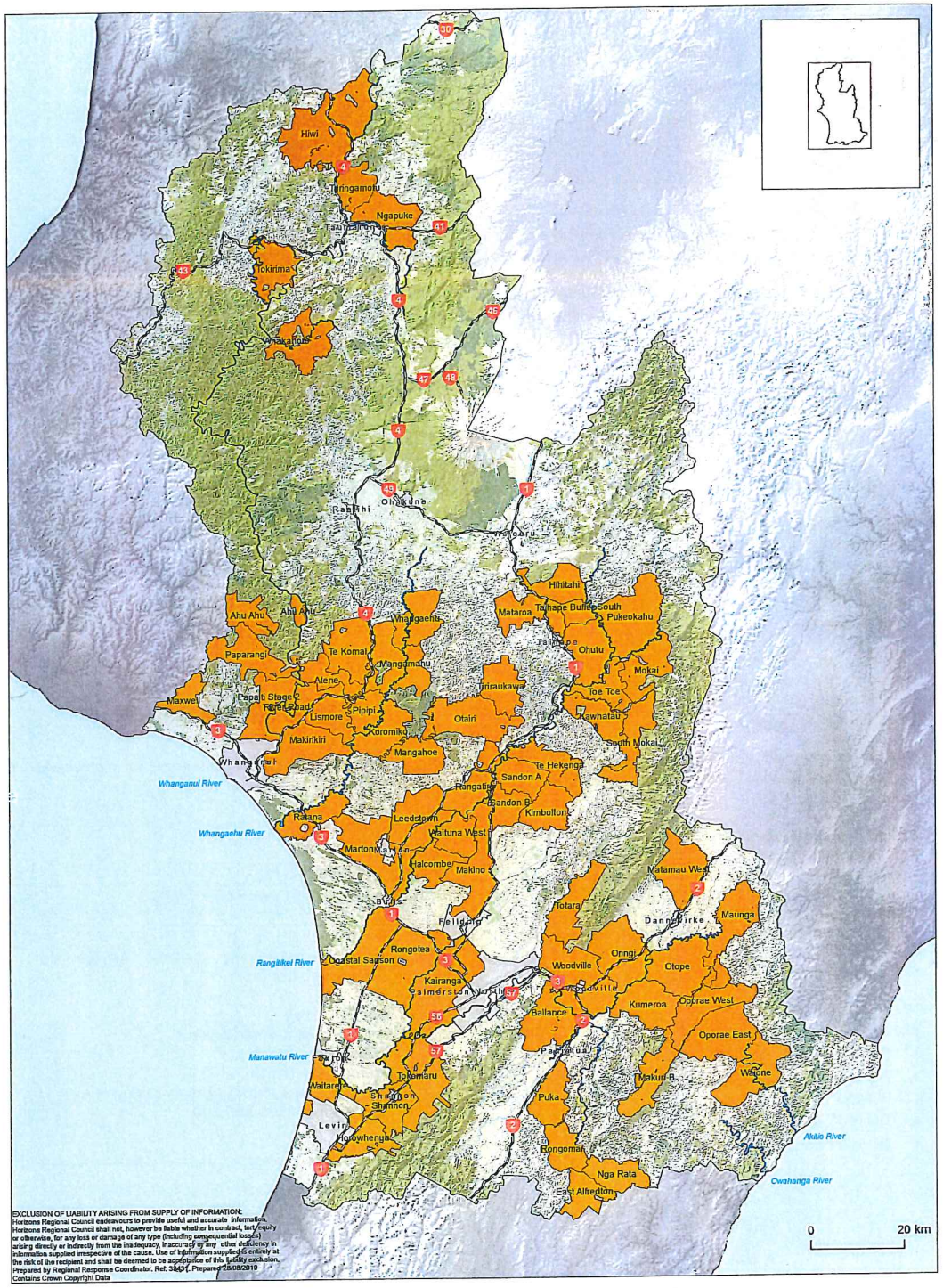

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SAFETY INFORMATION SHEET:

Potassium Cyanide [Encapsulated]

Trade Name: Feratox®

Description: Pellet coloured blue; 5-6 mm in diameter.

Method of use: Typically used inside a gel block in a blue, labelled biodegradable bag and stapled to trees. Can also be used in bait stations.

Special Warnings: Feratox® has a target weight of up to 6 kg. This places small dogs such as fox terriers within the target weight range. Take extra care with these dogs in and around poisoned areas.
As with sodium cyanide, humans are at risk so children must be supervised in and around the treatment areas.

Cyanide is extremely Dangerous

SYMPTOMS OF POISONING:
Mild Poisoning: patient is conscious, breathing regularly and is able to say what happened.
Serious Poisoning: Patient is unconscious or incoherent; breathing is irregular possible vomiting and/or convulsions.
Very Serious Poisoning: Patient is unconscious, convulsing and/or vomiting. Breathing and/or heart has stopped. ***DO NOT USE MOUTH TO MOUTH***, use artificial respiration and/ or CPR.

First Aid:

Swallowed: If victim is rapidly losing consciousness, is unconscious or convulsing do not give anything by mouth. Have the victim rinse mouth thoroughly with water. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. If vomiting occurs naturally, rinse mouth and repeat administering water. Refer general information.
Other first aid: OBTAIN IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION!
*Serious to very serious poisoning (Patient unconscious, breathing has stopped, possible inclination toconvulse)
- immediately call an ambulance, using keyword "cyanide poisoning"
- prepare patient against heat loss
- No mouth to mouth/or nose to mouth! Administer "oxygen therapy" if breathing has stopped or cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) if heart has stopped

SAFETY INFORMATION SHEET:

BRODIFACOUM

Trade Name: PestOff® or Talon®

Description: Cereal Pellet coloured green or blue; 10 or 14mm in diameter with varying length.

Method of use: Brodifacoum is typically laid in bait stations out of reach of children and placed where livestock and domestic animals cannot access.

Special Warnings: Feral animals harvested may contain residues if bait has been accessed. It is illegal to sell game taken from an area containing brodifacoum for up to 18 months after bait has been laid. Warning signs placed have conditions on them which should be observed.
Should domestic stock access this bait, they may have residues in the liver for up to 9 months. Suspected access should be reported to the New Zealand Food Safety Authority ASAP.

SYMPTOMS OF POISONING: No symptoms may be apparent for several days if poisoning has occurred. Can kill if swallowed in large quantities. The active constituent (brodifacoum) is an anticoagulant chemical, which if taken by humans, domestic animals or pets, will reduce the clotting power of the blood. Nausea and vomiting may occur soon after ingestion, however in some cases effects from exposure may be delayed for several days or may not be evident unless checked by a physician. Typical overt symptoms of poisoning include bleeding gums, increased tendency to bruising, blood in urine and faeces and excessive bleeding from minor cuts. Haemorrhagic shock, coma and death may follow in cases of severe poisoning.

First Aid:
Ingestion: In the event of ingestion, do not induce vomiting. Consult a physician and provide an estimation of the amount of product ingested. In the case of very small amounts of product (< 10 grams) being taken, no symptoms may develop but larger amounts may affect blood clotting times. A physician can assess this and provide Vitamin K1 therapy as necessary.
Eye Contact: Wash eyes with water.
Skin Contact: Wash exposed area with soap and water.
Contaminated Clothing: Remove contaminated clothing and wash before re-use.

As symptoms of poisoning may not appear for several days, always consult a doctor where poisoning is suspected.