



# SCHOOL TALK

November 2015

## Awesome Art Week Exhibition

The fourth Term at Mokau School kicked off with Art Week - a week of exciting, exploratory art activities leading to a student art exhibition at the school's Pet Day. Ex-principal Gail Pratt and co-judge Claire Harding had the arduous task of deciding the winners. This year students explored the theme 'Design, Fashion and Pattern' through a range of creative experiences.

'Design' was experienced through senior students planning and constructing a designer room - these included many teenager dream bedrooms and a couple of very well designed gourmet kitchens.

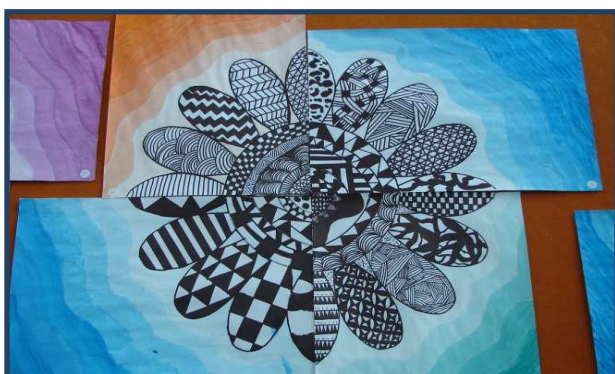


Seniors also had a homework project to work with their family to design and construct a 3 dimensional bird. Entries ranged from mini wire sculptures, pottery items to a large corrugated iron duck.

Individual 'fashion' style was developed through funky vests & hats and construction of clothes for large individual models as well as a range of designer footwear.



'Pattern' was explored through scratch art, zentangle flowers, sand saucers, floral art and giant puzzle pattern pieces as well as stained glass undersea creatures.



Students particularly enjoyed the experience of creating collaborative art works - where everyone creates an individual piece which when combined created one art work. To this end, students completed a zentangle flower and giant puzzle piece.



The school welcomes visitors to view collaborative art works displayed in the admin area, senior classroom and school library.



Overall winners were:

Juniors - 6 and under

1<sup>st</sup> Emmet

2<sup>nd</sup> Khan

2<sup>nd</sup> Jacob

Juniors 7 & over

1<sup>st</sup> Rico

1<sup>st</sup> Reece

3<sup>rd</sup> Martha

Seniors Year 4-6

1<sup>st</sup> Karnia

2<sup>nd</sup> Morgan

3<sup>rd</sup> Sophia

Seniors Year 7 & 8

1<sup>st</sup> Gemma

2<sup>nd</sup> Francis

3<sup>rd</sup> Olly



# School Pet Day

Congratulations to all students who competed in Mokau School's very successful pet day. The animals presented were of a high standard and the school is grateful for the expertise of judges Mark Raine & Mr Davis (calves) and Melissa Jones & Phil Cleaver (lambs).



The results were as follows::

**Junior Lamb Rearing:** 1<sup>st</sup> Billy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brylee, 3<sup>rd</sup> Emmet  
**Junior Lamb Leading:** 1<sup>st</sup> Billy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Emmet, 3<sup>rd</sup> Brylee  
**Junior Lamb Most Obvious Pet:** 1<sup>st</sup> Billy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brylee, 3<sup>rd</sup> Emmet.

**Intermediate Lamb Rearing:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reece, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sophia, 3<sup>rd</sup> Karnia  
**Intermediate Lamb Leading:** 1<sup>st</sup> Rico, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reece, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sophia  
**Intermediate Lamb Most Obvious Pet:** 1<sup>st</sup> Claude, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reece, 3<sup>rd</sup> Karnia.

**Senior Lamb Rearing:** 1<sup>st</sup> Gemma, 2<sup>nd</sup> Olly, 3<sup>rd</sup> Morgan  
**Senior Lamb Leading:** 1<sup>st</sup> Gemma, 2<sup>nd</sup> Morgan, 3<sup>rd</sup> Bryn  
**Senior Lamb Most Obvious Pet:** 1<sup>st</sup> Bryn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Morgan, 3<sup>rd</sup> Olly.

**Junior Calf Rearing:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sophia, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reece  
**Junior Calf Leading:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sophia, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reece.

**Senior Calf Rearing:** 1<sup>st</sup> Gemma, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tessa, 3<sup>rd</sup> Madi  
**Senior Calf Leading:** 1<sup>st</sup> Madi, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tessa, 3<sup>rd</sup> Gemma.



# Use of School Grounds

While the school welcomes visitors to use our school grounds during the weekends and holidays they do not welcome those who do not respect the privilege.

The school was very disappointed that a number of bird boxes made by students were ripped from the Wild Side trees and were retrieved by a vigilant bach owner who found them down by the flower pot.

Please remember that there is **no smoking** and **no dogs** allowed on the school grounds.

With the swimming season fast approaching there are new policies and procedures in place to ensure visitors are respectful of school facilities - The Board of Trustees and the pool caretaker reserve the right to evict any person(s) from the pool for not conforming to these conditions and infringements will result in confiscation of the person's school pool key. Swimming pool keys will be available from the school office from December 1<sup>st</sup> and from the Whitebait Inn after December 11<sup>th</sup>. Pool keys are \$60.00 for the season, or \$5.00 per day with an additional bond of \$10.00. There is new paperwork to be completed this year and there will be random spot checks to ensure the patrons using the pool have paid this year's fee.

## Mighty Mokau Bike Ride

Every year Mokau School's major fundraiser is the Mighty Mokau Bike Ride. This February event is months in the planning and relies on wide community support. If you are interested in helping to organise this event a Bike Ride Meeting will be held in the Mokau School library on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November.

### Hedge Trimming:

The school would like to have the hedge along our roadside professionally trimmed and would like to know if anyone else in the community would like similar work done and would be prepared to share the expense of getting the Dreaver's cutter to and from Mokau. Please contact the office if you are interested.



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