

# **SCHOOL TALK**

Jul 2016

## Sir Peter Blake Award

Every year Mokau School has the opportunity to nominate a candidate for the Sir Peter Blake Young Leader Award.

The Sir Peter Blake Trust, in conjunction with sponsor Westpac Bank, acknowledges young leaders in schools and awards them with a medal during Leadership Week, July 4 to July  $8^{\rm th}$ .

Following discussion of the Award Criteria students nominate their peers giving reasoning behind their nominations. Criteria include that the person should show promising leadership ability, have made a contribution to their school and demonstrate some or all the leadership characteristics of integrity, determination and the will to succeed, be a good team member and be hard working, as well as know how to have fun.

This year's Sir Peter Blake Young Leader Award recipients from Mokau & Whareorino Schools will be announced on Tuesday July 5<sup>th</sup> and their awards will be presented by Sir Peter Blake's Trust Dream Team member Hayden Wano.

Hayden will address students about his role as Chairman of the TSB Community Trust, Hayden has a passion for developing young emerging leaders to enable them to reach their full potential. He gets great satisfaction from helping people to unlock self-imposed limitations and enabling them to imagine new possibilities. Underpinning this is a need for clear goals, focus and a determination to see things through. Hayden is particularly passionate about unlocking the potential of Maori youth.

### Monster Garage Sale

proceeds go towards paying for Cory Manson's specialist pancreatic and liver cancer treatments he received at Grace Hospital in London

Garage Sale is at Terry's Panel Shop corner Dawson and Devon Streets 8.00 am, Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>

Items for donation can be dropped at Terry's

Panel Shop in New Plymouth

or contact Glen on 0277418827

Left over Garage Sale items will be donated to

Hospice Taranaki

## **Assemblage Art**

Students from Mokau School enjoyed a trip to Mokau Museum to view the Dale Copeland's Assemblage Art exhibition. All students worked hard to find answers in a 'treasure hunt' activity and seniors came away with a good understanding of what assemblage art is and the



messages it can portray which will help them when they create their own assemblage art work.

## **Representative Teams**

Once again Mokau students have shown they have what it takes to represent the region in their sporting endeavours.

Football representative teams have been announced and several of local students featured. Congratulations to Francis, Claude and Connell who will represent King Country. Emmet and Merekara were also named as development players who will train with the squads.



These students join Sophia and Rico who also made representative teams this season in Hockey and Rugby League respectively.

## **Robots Robots Robots**



Robots, robots, robots ... all shapes and sizes, some with wires, some with circuit boards, one with R2D2 eyes, several with movable limbs and two with illumination plus a whole lot of kiwi ingenuity (and of course numerous rolls of shiny tin foil)! What a

magical display of creativity Mokau student's showed with their robot creations.

"Are we there yet?" was the call from Mokau students at the recent Tainui Cluster of Schools 'Winterfest'.



Mokau students including Shrek characters - Puss in Boots (Sophia), Fiona (Merkara), Donkey (Eve) and Shrek himself (Claude) opened the celebration with their jump jam routine of *Funky Town*.

Their performance was followed by equally lively performances of *Gummy Bear* (Mimi School), *Can't Hold Us* (Uruti School), *Dynamite* (Ahititi School) and *That's What Makes You Beautiful* (Whareorino School).

Winterfest 2016 was a hip hop dance extravaganza with 3 great hip hop instructors: Kayla Broughton, Niquay Langton & Tansi Productions.

120 students were divided into 3 age groups and learned a hip-hop routine from each instructor.

Students danced with energy, freedom and enthusiasm - with stomps, arm shakes, shimmys and chest pops - they experimented with expression and creativity.

Following lunch students returned to the hall, with smiles from ear to ear they performed their routines to their peers, parents and teachers.













