

Waterwise

Meadowbank School was one of the 7 original schools to take part in Waterwise when Okahu Bay Waterwise became an incorporated society in 1989. Bruce Tantrum is the Patron and was the original Chairman. We currently hold the regatta trophy named after him. Last Friday Bruce stopped by to express his excitement that Waterwise was still an experience available for Year 6 students. Our children are extremely fortunate to still have this opportunity.



MEADOWBANK MARVELS

High Diving Giraffes



Room 15 watched a video called 'High Diving Giraffes'. They then described what they saw and heard as a prompt for writing.



I see giraffes clip clopping to the pool to do diving. They flip, twist, spin and twirl. They splash as they dive into the pool. I wonder if they taste the chlorine? I wonder if it is hard for the giraffe to lift and flip in the water? I think it is hard. I think they are learning to swim because they are diving off the diving board like a dolphin.

By Sienna.

I see giraffes creeping out of the changing room, spinning into the clean pool. They are all swimming like a school of fish. I wonder if it is real? I wonder if they taste the chlorine? I wonder if they hear themselves spinning and splashing in the clean pool? I think they are learning to dive because they are jumping off the diving board like acrobats.

By Indi.

I see giraffes diving into the deep pool and swimming under the water. They are making a clicking sound like a bird's beak snapping. It is like the giraffes are sizzling hot. They are drinking the pool water. I wonder if the pool water was chlorine water. The pool is sparkling clean. The giraffes are improving each time they dive. They are so graceful when they dive they look like a chrysalis. I think the giraffes must be boiling hot like the sun. They are kicking their legs because they need to move fast.

By Charlotte B.

I see giraffes diving in the sparkling pool. When they flip into the pool they are elegant and kind of like a chrysalis. When they walk up the stairs it is like they are in the circus. I think they are learning how to flip. I wonder if they are real?

By Tawariki.

I see giraffes diving gracefully and beautifully. I think that it is possible for giraffes to do backstroke because they have long legs. I hear clipping and clopping because they are running. They move like a slithery puff adder snake. I wonder if they could do freestyle on their tummies?

By Alen.

#myidentity

As part of Ako, R30 have been exploring their identity and what makes them unique.

My Identity

Hi, my name is Jasmine. I was born in Shanghai, China. My parents are from China too. This makes me Asian. I'm seven (7) years old. In my family I have: my mum, my dad and me. My family, my culture, my friends and my language are all very important to me. I have lots of amazing hobbies: drawing, flipper ball, reading and ballet. My personality traits are: funny, kind, caring, lovely, friendly, crazy, shy and also creative. I like myself.



My Identity

Howdy, I'm James and I was born in Auckland, New Zealand in 2009. I'm a NZ European. My mum was born in Hong Kong. My Dad was born in Auckland, New Zealand. My brother was also born in Auckland, New Zealand. I have many hobbies. I like learning about biology. If there was an emergency, I know what to do because I have learnt first aid. I love reading about Science and adventure. Loads and loads of things are important to me. Yummy food making my mouth water. Family who care for me. Friends who ask me to play. My personal traits make me who I am. Being kind means only saying kind words, caring for people whoever they are and being helpful to others.

My Identity

Hello my name is Olivia. I am 8 years old. I am from London. I lived there for 6 months. My dad got a job in New Zealand so we had to move. My mum is from NZ and my dad is too. So are my sisters. Most of my family is from NZ. My hobbies are netball, soccer and art. My family is so important to me. I love them so much. I really like music, drama and dance. On Monday after school I go to swimming, on Tuesdays I go to athletics, on Wednesdays I go to hip hop, on thursdays I do speech and drama and on Fridays I go to tennis. Food, living, family, friends, drinks and Miss Lologa are important to me. She is so cool and amazing. She is the best teacher. My personality traits are funny, kind and caring.

