

# MEADOWBANK MARVELS

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On Tuesday a group of Year 3-6 children represented Meadowbank School at the Eastern Zone Gymnastics Championships.

## Year 1 100 Day Party

Since the beginning of the year, Year 1 have been exploring the concept of place value. They have been counting and recording how many days they have been at school this year, looking at the placement and value of each digit in the numbers. To celebrate reaching 100 days at school they had a party.

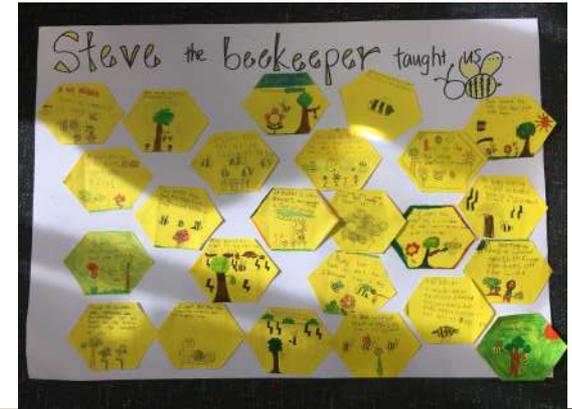


# Bee Keeper Visit

As part of the Year 3 topic on the sustainability of bees, Steve from the Auckland Beekeeper's Club came in to talk to the children about the important role bees play in our ecosystem. Steve is a former Meadowbank School pupil.

Steve the beekeeper taught us...

The bees put wax over the honeycomb to store the honey.  
Bees can flap their wings up to 200 times a second.  
Bees need to visit 2 million flowers to make a jar of honey.



# YEAR 1 BEACH TRIP

Last Thursday all of the Year Ones went to Okahu Bay. First we picked up rubbish. We found glass and then I found an orange skin. After that I went to the playground and I went on the flying fox. Then I went back to the beach and I made a sandcastle. Next it was time for lunch. Then we went back to school.

Reporter: Sara.



# Royal Jelly Show



Last week all children from New Entrants to Year 5 were treated to a show run by Co Theatre Physical. Royal Jelly told the story of a mayor who wanted to take over the world by using insecticide to kill off all living things so he could build large factories to make himself a lot of money. Luckily an environmental warrior saved the day and quashed the mayor's plan. The bees and other pollinators were free to roam the planet, ensuring the flowers bloomed and fruit and vegetables grew.

*"It was pretty funny. It was interesting and sad to see that bees are endangered. I think we should stop using sprays that kill bees."* Alice, Year 5.

*"I learnt about how bees make honey. The bees collect pollen, digest it and then it comes out of their tummies when they get back to the hive and then we get honey. It was sad when the mayor used the poisonous spray to kill the bees."* Lucy, Year 2.

*"I liked the show because the crowd got to be part of it. I learned that bees pollinate plants and we get food from the plants, like watermelon and peanuts and then we get peanut butter."* Harrison, Year 1.