



## HOMESCHOOL KAPAHAKA CONCERT



He po ataahua, he po whakawhanaunga,  
 he po tino hohonu! A beautiful night,  
 a family night, a moving night!

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> of September was the night set aside to perform the items we had learnt and mastered during Kapahaka over the past few terms. Our tutor, Tui Tawhai, had prepared the tamariki (children) prior to their performance with a little pep talk before they entered the stage.

When the curtains opened our tamariki oozed with ihi (pride). The bracket included waiata-a-ringa (action song), poi, haka, tititoria (short sticks), whakaekē (entry song), whakawaatea (exit song). At the end of the concert, we had a fun song that involved the audience whanau too. Our audience was fabulous and participated with great enthusiasm!

An open time slot was then allocated for parents or whanau to stand, to express their feelings about Kapahaka and the performance. Many touching words were expressed and

felt, an emotional time. It was really neat for the tamariki to experience this, and to hear their parents and relatives share their sentiments about the performance. The children sat and listened quietly—their faces lit up with pride as they were acknowledged. The tamariki were each presented with a personally named certificate, signed by Tui Tawhai.

After the concert and presentation, we gathered for a shared kai - where we all mixed and mingled. The tamariki all seemed to be on a major 'high' and there were huge smiles all round!

As a parent, I felt exceptionally proud of all the tamariki. Having seen where each child started and how far they had come, just 'blew my mind'. The comments expressed by so many parents, grandparents and tamariki themselves made the effort and time we had all put into Kapahaka over these past few terms well worth it. My own son was a little self conscious initially at Kapahaka and others were too. He expressed his fear of stage fright the morning of the concert. I told him that his tupuna (ancestors), would be watching down upon him that night feeling true joy as they saw his efforts and improved attitude since the beginning.

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### What's on in Term 4? Classes/Programmes

**GYMNASTICS CLASS**  
 YMCA North Shore  
 Tuesdays from 1.00pm  
 Mike 09-480 7099

**BEG. UKULELE GROUP**  
 Wednesday from 12.30pm  
 Marcia 09-479 5847



**HOMESCHOOL CHOIR**  
 Wednesday from 1.30pm  
 Marcia 09-479 5847

**BASKETBALL COACHING**  
 YMCA North Shore  
 Thursdays from 1.00pm  
 Mike 09-480 7099

**BASKETBALL TEAMS**  
 Primary & Intermediate  
 Suzi suzi@woosh.co.nz

**NETBALL TEAMS**  
 Primary & Intermediate  
 Winter Comp (Terms 2&3)  
 Twilight Comp (Term 4)  
 Sandra 09-443 8250

**HASCA BOOK CLUB**  
 Email: hasca.nz@gmail.com  
 See: <http://hasca.wordpress.com/book-club-more/>

**HASCA MEMBERSHIP**  
 Hasca.nz@gmail.com  
 \$15 annually per family

**LIBRARY CONTACT**  
 SHE Homeschool Library  
 Open every Friday 12–5  
 and by appointment  
 11 Anakiwa Place, Milford  
 Lynn 09-410 0039  
 lynrolston@slingshot.co.nz

# MUCH TO CELEBRATE

## HASCA's Netball and Basketball Teams have MUCH to celebrate!

HASCA has entered some fantastic homeschool teams into local 'school' competitions this year. We certainly have been blessed—with players full of enthusiasm and a force of committed coaches, umpires and managers (all parent volunteers and homeschooled teens).

Our parents put in a lot of hours, hard work, and commitment, to make these teams happen. The pay off has been some great results ...but more importantly loads of smiling children!

### HASCA NETBALL: PRIMARY

We entered four teams into the Netball North Harbour (NNH) Winter Competition this season; two intermediate teams, two primary. The winter season, primary 'school' competition, runs for 14-weeks during terms 2 and 3.

#### Primary Yr 5 Team—HASCA 1

Coach: Nina Lawgun, Manager: Sandra Dawson

Team: (see photo) Phoebe Haythornthwaite, Mei-Li Lawgun, Lily Robbins, Laura Robinson, Katie Waterson, Ashleigh Fraser, Lacey Dawson, Fern MacArthur, Malaina Stone.

Our Yr-5 netballers played in grade 9 & 10 throughout their grading games, and were pleasantly surprised to be placed in grade 8 for the competition games. (This team was placed 7th in grade 13 last year. They've come a long way!)

The team worked hard all season which saw them win 'Junior Grade 8'; 11 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss. A fantastic achievement which resulted in an invite to NNH's Prizegiving on Sept 22nd. Each team member received a certificate and ribbon. But what really filled us ALL with great pride was the engraving on the trophy "HASCA Homeschool 1". Go Homeschool!!!



#### Primary Yr 4 Team—HASCA 2

Coach: Sue Wingfield, Manager: Nancy Van Dorp

Team: Millie Vette, Holly Fraser, Lucy Van Dorp, Zoe Robbins, Ruby Dawson, Ebony Wingfield, Hannah Smith, Natalie Robinson, Grace Powell.

Our Yr-4 team this season included quite a few Yr-3 girls, many players new to netball altogether. Their coach and manager, worked hard with them all season which saw their skills and confidence improve ten-fold. This was the most enthusiastic, committed team of 7-9yr olds EVER! Well done for your efforts in Grade 13 girls.

### HASCA NETBALL: INTERMEDIATE

We had some very talented students from Westminster Christian School\* join our two intermediate netball teams this

season. Our sincere thanks to the four Westminster students for representing HASCA so well throughout the season.

#### Intermediate Yr7/8-1 Team—HASCA Hot Shots

Coach: Elise Jordan, Manager: Martin Fraser

Team: Eden Haythornthwaite, Jessica Stone, Jasmine Fraser, Madison Hornblow, Vanja Schaumkel, Seini Schaumkel, Nirvana Knill\*, Claudia Knill\*.

The HASCA Hot Shots have some incredibly talented players and extraordinary shooters—which saw them win their final against Murrays Bay, 27-15. They came 1<sup>st</sup> in the Year 8/Grade 4 "Flight Division". A tremendous effort!

#### Intermediate Yr7/8-2 Team—HASCA Dodgers

Coach/Manager: Martin Fraser

Team: Mary Hartley, Monique Ennis, Maddie Gillard, Estelle Harmse, Ester Harmse, Tara Salthouse, Jannie Meyer\*, Adam Maxey-Morrison\*.

An excellent effort (all season!) by the HASCA Dodgers. This team made it to their semi finals and played brilliantly, finishing 5th overall in Intermediate Grade 8.

We wish our teams luck for their 6-wk "Twilight" season, term 4.

### HASCA BASKETBALL

The basketball 'year' is split into two semesters; terms 1 & 2 (semester 1), terms 3 & 4 (semester 2). We have two teams currently playing in their 2nd semester in local 'school' comps.

#### Primary Team—Yr5 Grade

Coach: Nick Claasen, Manager: Jacqui Webster

Team: Benjamin Webster, Jacob Webster, Jonathan Harmse, Joel Anderson, Bjorn Byrne, Brad Salthouse.

An update from team manager, Jacqui, "The team is coming FIRST so far this semester, winning all their games. Their speed, determination, ball skills, team work and sportsmanship are proving to be a winning combination. The team is incredibly lucky to have the enthusiasm and dedication of such a great coach, Nick Claasen. Keep it boys!"

#### Intermediate Team—Boys League 2

Coach: Adam Claasen, Ass.Coach/Manager: Suzi Schaumkel

Team: Isaac Claasen, Stacy Lawgun, Matthew Phillips, Josh Webster, Jonathan Blood, Ben Thomas, Benjamin Anderson, Vanja Schaumkel, Seini Schaumkel.

HASCA's intermediate basketball team came 3<sup>rd</sup> in 'Boys League 3' in semester one, and this semester (2) they have been put up to 'Boys League 2'. Well done team!

We'll be sure to let you know how our basketball teams do during semester two and their league results.

It's fantastic to see so many dedicated home educated children getting the opportunity to be a *part of a team*! These teams are remarkable; team spirit is high and the kids put their whole heart into their games!

The sole purpose of this "update" is to allow you to feel the pride we do in representing our homeschooling community. Our homeschool sports teams do very, very well!

### NEW NETBALL UNIFORMS FOR HASCA TEAMS

Thanks to fundraising efforts this season (by way of collecting a uniform use fee from each netball family, plus a generous donation from HASCA) we managed to fit out our two intermediate teams with new skirts, tops and bibs. They'll be looking smart in their upcoming Twilight competition in term four.

It would be great to coordinate all our teams, and be able to fit out our primary teams with new gear also (for 2011). Our current uniforms have had tremendous use, 10yrs+. An upgrade is overdue!

Funding applications for uniforms are seldom approved, so we are seeking sponsorship. If you, or your business, would be willing to sponsor our teams—contact Sandra via [hasca.nz@gmail.com](mailto:hasca.nz@gmail.com). :)



**HOMESCHOOL KAPAHAKA CONCERT, CONTINUED FROM PG 1 ...**

After an amazing performance, my son was keen to receive feedback from me and others about his performance. It was wonderful for me to watch his attitude toward something uncomfortable turn to one of excitement and passion! I heard numerous parents sharing similar experiences about their own children. HASCA Kapahaka this year has definitely been a highlight of my home educating journey thus far, an opportunity which may not have been achieved anywhere else. The sense of unity amongst the tamariki and whanau has been a rich and bonding experience for all involved, some great friendships have also been formed.

Nau mai Haere mai!  
Mauri Ora, Bex Hall



**HASCA MERC DAYS 2011**

Sir Peter Blake Marine Education & Recreation Centre  
Long Bay-North Shore

**ADD THESE DATES TO YOUR DIARY!**

MERC DAY 1

Monday  
14th February 2011  
(7-13 years)

MERC DAY 2

Monday  
28th February 2011  
(12-19 years)

Each child participates in 3 activities which may include: Sailing, Archery, Abseiling, Kayaking, Raft Build, Rock Wall Climb, Dinghy Games, Canadian Canoe, Snorkeling, Surfing, Harness Challenges: Stack'em High, Tree Climb, Faith Leap... & more.

Sincere thanks to **Rose Carlyle** for taking over the coordination of HASCA's MERC Days for 2011.

**Registrations will be taken for this event in November 2010.**



On September 7<sup>th</sup>, HASCA's Ukulele Group took part in the Kiwileles regional "school" rehearsal held at Marlborough Primary School, North Shore. This is just one of the 'Big Rehearsals' initiated by the Kiwileles in the lead up to the New Zealand Ukulele Festival. This year's Ukulele Festival will be held on November 27<sup>th</sup>, at The Trusts Stadium. **HASCA's strummers will be there!!!** ...ably led by H/S choir and ukulele teacher, Marcia Middlemiss.



In 2009 the "Kiwileles" set a new world record for the largest ever ukulele ensemble when 1120 children and teachers played their ukes and sang "Kiwi Ukulele" by Kevin Fogarty.

The 2010 "Kiwileles" will feature 1400 children and their teachers from over 90 schools across Auckland, Northland and the Waikato. This year schools from Dunedin, Palmerston North, Hamilton, & Paeroa will also participate. (Source: [www.nzukulelefestival.org.nz](http://www.nzukulelefestival.org.nz))

Our homeschool uke players are excited to be taking part in this event. It's going to be a great day out!!!

**Term 4 Activities  
NORTH SHORE**

**YMCA (Homeschool) Classes**

YMCA North Shore, 5 Akoranga Drive, Northcote

**Gymnastics Class (ages 4-10 years)**

\$95.00 per term \*trial lesson welcome  
Weekly on a Tuesday, 1:00—2:00pm  
Term 4 dates: October 12<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup>

**Basketball Coaching Programme (ages 5-17 years)**

Weekly on a Thursday, \$6 casual or \$40 per term  
1.00pm-2.00pm, Intermediate & High School  
2.00pm-3.00pm, Primary aged children  
Term 4 dates: October 14<sup>th</sup> to December 9<sup>th</sup>

**\*\* TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR TERM 4 NOW! \*\***

For more information please contact

Mike Lacey 480 7099 or [mike.lacey@nzymca.com](mailto:mike.lacey@nzymca.com)

**HASCA Ukulele Group**

Our Homeschool Ukulele Group is continuing in term 4 in preparation for the NZ Ukulele Festival (see pg.1) and is closed to new students.

**HASCA Choir Group**

Led by Marcia Middlemiss

Our Homeschool Harmonies Choir for age 8+ will be up and running again in term 4.

The group will be focusing on learning a selection of Christmas songs to; lead the singing at Carols by the Sea, a retirement home performance (or two), and to participate in the Browns Bay Christmas Parade at the end of term 4. An exciting term planned for our choir members.

**\*\* NEW CHOIR MEMBERS ARE WELCOME \*\***

Practices are weekly on a Wednesday from 1.30pm. Held at 48A Bayview Rd, Browns Bay—Marcia's home.

Fees for term 4 are; \$10 per child for HASCA members \$15 per child for non-members

For more information or to enrol contact

Marcia Middlemiss - Phone: 479 5847

Email: [marcia.middlemiss@ihug.co.nz](mailto:marcia.middlemiss@ihug.co.nz)

**HASCA Kapahaka Group**

The Kapahaka Group will be taking a break in term four.



**HOMESCHOOL HARMONIES**



## Looking forward to 2011

### HASCA NETBALL

HASCA had four netball teams compete in the Netball North Harbour (NNH) graded winter competition this year. Also, we have 4 teams entering the 'Twilight' comp during term 4.

Next year we hope to enter even more homeschool teams into Shore based netball competitions so we will be on the lookout for more players.

It is important to note that HASCA is an **Auckland** association and does not just support the North Shore. We would love to support any of our reps; East, South, Franklin, or any Auckland homeschool groups who may be interested in entering teams in their local sports competitions in 2011.

**HASCA hopes to offer the following netball teams in 2011...**

**Year 3** = playing in the Pinehurst School Primary Comp in Albany, Saturday mornings, terms 2 & 3. (ages 7-8yrs)

The Pinehurst School Netball Competition is a competition that caters to school teams, years 1-3, boys and girls. We have not entered teams in this comp before but have received lots of positive feedback about it. We (HASCA's coaches & managers) have, in recent years, noticed a need for a year 3 homeschool team. Unfortunately the NNH competition only caters for year-4 and above. Initially we'd be looking at entering just a year 3 team, or perhaps a year 2-3 combined. This would give our younger girls a good (less competitive) introduction to netball.

**Year 4** = playing in the NNH Winter Comp, AMI Netball Courts in Northcote, Monday afternoons. (ages 8-9yrs)

**Year 5** = playing in the NNH Winter Comp, AMI Netball Courts in Northcote, Monday afternoons. (ages 9-10yrs)

**Year 6** = Ideally 2 teams; 1 for beginners, 1 for more experienced players. NNH Winter Comp, AMI Netball Courts in Northcote, Wednesday afternoons (ages 10 -11yrs)

**Intermediate** = Ideally 2 teams, 1 for beg/int players, 1 for more experienced players—playing at the AMI Netball Courts in Northcote, Thursday afternoons (ages 11-13yrs)

If you have a son or daughter who would be interested in joining one of these teams please contact HASCA for more information and to go on the contact list for next year.

The Netball North Harbour winter netball season runs for 14-weeks during terms 2 & 3. The first 7 games are grading, the latter 7 are competition games.

We will hold a netball trial day in March or April (the winter season starts in May). This will be to assess which team the players will be best suited to. Team selection is generally based on age, experience and skill level. Naturally we try to place everyone, and we welcome new netballers. Netball is an exciting, fun, team sport—it's a great way to keep fit, and make some lasting friendships. Encourage your children!

Our homeschool sports teams do not happen without the commitment and enthusiasm of parent volunteers! This means, the teams outlined above will only go ahead if we get the numbers we need; both players and volunteers. A coach, manager and umpire will be required for each team. Consider how you can/or are willing to, help out next year.

If you'd like play, coach, manage or umpire for HASCA next year please email me at [hasca.nz@gmail.com](mailto:hasca.nz@gmail.com) to go on our 2011 contact list. Thanks! *Sandra Dawson - HASCA Netball Coordinator*

#### HASCA'S NZ BREAKERS EXPERIENCE

Sincere thanks to member, Suzanne Burnett, for kindly coordinating our invite to attend the Breakers' Training Stadium on September 20th. Our students had a fun morning with the Burger King NZ Breakers basketball team & coaching staff; learning ball skills & techniques.

## Term 4 Activities

### EAST AUCKLAND

#### YMCA (Homeschool) Classes

Panmure Lagoon Stadium, Lagoon Drive, Panmure

##### YMCA Sports 1.00 - 2.00 PM

Start date: Tuesday, 19 October 2010 (Instructed lessons)

Duration: 9 weeks—end Tuesday, 14 December 2010

Ages: Junior group (ages 5-8), Senior group (ages 8+)

Cost: \$17.50 fee per child.

Payment: Full payment is due by 16 November 2010

Enrolment: [eahe.tuesdays@gmail.com](mailto:eahe.tuesdays@gmail.com) by 12 October

##### YMCA Hip-Hop Dance Classes 2.15 - 3.15 PM

Start date: Tuesday, 19 October 2010 (Instructed lessons)

Instructor: Ashleigh MacKinven, Hip-hop Gold Medallist

Duration: 9 weeks—end, Tuesday, 14 December 2010

Ages: Senior group only (ages 9 and up)

Cost: \$60 fee per child

Payment: Full payment is due by 19 October 2010

Enrolment: [eahe.tuesdays@gmail.com](mailto:eahe.tuesdays@gmail.com) by 12 October

##### YMCA TEEN BASKETBALL 11.30 - 12.30 PM

Start date: Tuesday, 19 October 2010 (Instructed lessons)

Instructor: Ryan Wetherill

Duration: 9 weeks—end, Tuesday, 14 December 2010

Ages: Senior group only (ages 12 and up)

Cost: \$20/term no fee req'd for Teen Social Sports if playing basketball

Payment: Full payment is due by 16 November 2010

Enrolment: [eahe.tuesdays@gmail.com](mailto:eahe.tuesdays@gmail.com) by 12 October

##### YMCA TEEN SOCIAL SPORTS 11.45 - 12.45 PM

Start date: Tuesday, 19 October 2010 (Self managed)

Duration: 9 weeks end—Tuesday, 14th December 2010

Ages: 12 years and over

Cost: \$17.50 fee per child if paid to EAHE, \$3 per session to be paid direct to YMCA on day

Payment: Full payment is due by 16 November 2010

Enrolment: Not required

##### YMCA TEEN BOARD GAME/SOCIAL SESSIONS 1 - 2 PM

Start date: Tuesday, 19 October 2010 (Self-managed)

Duration: 9 weeks end—Tuesday, 14th December 2010

Ages: 12 years and over

Cost: \$17.50 fee per child if paid to EAHE, \$3 per session to be paid direct to YMCA on day.

Payment: Full payment is due by 16 November 2010

Enrolment: Not required

For more information about these East Auckland classes please email [eahe.tuesdays@gmail.com](mailto:eahe.tuesdays@gmail.com)

### R.TUCKER THOMPSON SAILING TRAINING WEEK FOR TEENS 2011

There is a sailing programme, for teens 13-18 years, run by a charitable trust in Northland. It runs youth training courses, [http://www.tucker.co.nz/sail\\_training.htm](http://www.tucker.co.nz/sail_training.htm). We are looking at a homeschool trip (end of term 1) April 10th onwards. The cost is reasonable (for 1 week), high \$1,000. We could look at options; ie: teens fundraise 1/3, parents pay 1/3, and seek funding for 1/3. This course can be applied against the Duke of Edinburgh award. Please register your interest to Paula Crosswell via (copy link): <https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?hl=en&formkey=dERxempjQjNwTDhHVWNGakhdU5RUkE6MQ#gid=0>



**HASCA's Choir and Ukulele Groups, Homeschool Harmonies, performing for the Lady Allum Retirement Home in Browns Bay.**



# CONGRATULATIONS

Nicolas Morla was part of a team picked to represent NZ at the **Junior World Kickboxing Champs** in Serbia for the U18 (in the under 69 kg category) in September.

Congratulations to 14-year old Janee Rolston for her selection, by NZ Basketball, to referee the U15 National Championships in Wellington next month.

We also have many homeschooled teens, boys and girls, who have played for North Harbour Basketball "rep" teams this year—some who have competed in, and won, National titles. We hope to have some international achievements to share in our next newsletter and will congratulate these young sportsmen and women!

# THANKS

HASCA would like to sincerely thank the Aotearoa Sports Foundation for their recent funding grant to further develop our basketball programme.

*HASCA would like to acknowledge and sincerely thank all the parents who work so hard to make our groups, classes and sports teams 'happen'. Without these wonderful volunteers these opportunities would not be available to our children, and homeschool community.*

*Special thanks to Rebecca Hall for her passion and dedication to the Kapahaka Group this year. And to Marcia Middlemiss for her ongoing dedication to teaching and encouraging the students in her choir and ukulele groups.*

*HASCA has been proud to support the vision, passion and enthusiasm of these talented ladies.*