











October's Photo Gallery
"A Year in Review - 2022"

Reflecting on 2022

While it may seem early to start reflecting on 2022, the arrival of the following years staffing notifications and operational funding allocation is a signal to schools - principals in particular - that one school year is starting to wind down and thought needs to be given to the following year.

On reflection 2022 has been, as the last few years have, a mixture of challenge and opportunities. The challenges schools, and our community in general, have faced during 2022 are well known and perhaps not worth revisiting.

What is perhaps not as well known is the opportunities we have had to celebrate during the year. Some this month, more next month.

Sports:

Our sports programme has well an truly returned from it's 'Covid-19 Hibernation'. Under Mr Graham Cox's skilled, and passionate, leadership our students have had many opportunities to participate in inter-school sports competitions. It has, for Laingholm Primary, been an extremely successful year with, we hope, more to come.

- Our swimming team won the inter-school competition.
- Our cross-country team came **second** in their competition.
- One of our rippa rugby teams won their grade competition.
- Our gymnastics team came $\underline{\text{\it first}}$ in the inter-school competition.
- Our hockey team made the **<u>semi-finals</u>** in their competition.
- Our Year 6 Girls gym team came <u>second</u> in the Auckland Regionals.
- Savannah C. came <u>first</u> in her grade in the Auckland Regional gym competition and Natalie C. came <u>fifth</u> in her grade in the same competition.



Enviro: Karaka Award

For a school or school group taking action
on a local environmental issue.







It is a Saturday night. We have been hired by Mr Weatherill to find out who ate the cookies. We started by going into the crime scene and we looked for clues and we found a bit of cookie Crumbs left behind the couch. Next to the couch we found a bit of Fabric from a dress. Now we know that the cookie thief was a girl.

We went into Mr Weatherill's office and told him that we knew it was a girl. We left his office, and we went to see Mrs Morgan, and we found her asleep on the couch in her office, so we left her to sleep.

We went into Mrs Cheeseman's class. She was on her computer looking at cheese photos and we went to ask her some questions but when we walked in, we did not realize that we had muddy shoes. She saw the muddy footprints and she screamed so high that the windows broke. We ducked for cover when a sound wave echoed past us! We ran out of the room in terror.

We went into Mrs Hart's room, and she looked like she had put her head in a fireplace. She was playing around with science and not all her experiments went perfectly. She was the first teacher we got to talk to, but she passed all our questions. By then we gave up and we started walking back to Mr Weatherill's office. On the way we saw Mrs Morgan was sleepwalking her way to the bin. She jumped in and stayed there. We were puzzled and hurried to Mr Wetherill's office we got in there, but no one was there...

We walked to the cupboard and opened it then a dress fell out. We were shocked then we went to the staff room and saw him eating all the cookies. We dived to stop him, but Kieran saw a cat and stopped and stroked it. Then Mr Weatherill threw cookies at us. I got hit by a barrage of cookies and then the cat did. Kieran saw this and he got enraged, he went over to Mr Wetherill and got a pie and splattered it in his face. Mr Weatherill started crying and ran off. Kieran ran past me to

> help the cat. The cat was ok. Then Kieran walked over and helped me up. We found out who the cookie thief was.

We high-fived and went home and had some cookies.

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