

# P.V.S.S. Times

## Point View Senior School Times

### Point View Soccer Team Fought Their Way to Top!!!

Reported by Suzie Chan and Isabelle Lin

On Friday 30 September, Point View School and Mellons Bay School went to Shelly Park Primary to battle it out for the soccer cup. The PVS Soccer B team and photographers went to the game to support and take great pictures.

With a very close score of 1-0 Point View won the game. The Point View team managed to get the ball to the other end by the brilliant back players who then passed it on to Tristan Walker who scored the only goal in the game.

The Soccer team, who had the support of the B team and photographers also had great support from parents, teachers and the Point View Cheerleaders coached and organised by Isabelle Lin and Christina Woodhall. The Cheerleaders trained very hard and gave up their lunchtimes and morning teas for the soccer team but it was worthwhile because everything went brilliantly.

The Victorious team includes Cameron Riley (Captain), Oliver and James Burnett, Devon Holland, Tristan Walker, Arin Singh, James Lee, Kenta Pritchard, Joshua Carson, Daniel Burke and Amy Waters the only girl but very talented.



### PVS Wears the Wearable

#### Arts

Reported by Charlotte Leigh

*One school, Thirty-three classes, and a whole lot of art!*

On the 31st of August and the 1st of September Point View proved that they could master the catwalk during our Wearable Arts extravaganza.

Many children young and old worked very hard for the show. This years was themed Cultures Around the World. For some classes it only took a week and for some it took more than a month to make the products that took the spotlight on this occasion.

There was a variety of things that were made including masks, costumes, shields and many many more. Each class had a country from around the world as their theme, and some had a world theme.

If one day every school in Auckland competed for the best artwork Point View would win by far!



## **Something In The Water...** **Reported by Georgia Skelton and Jasmine Ha**

*To add to our many sport teams, P.V.S have a new sport to enjoy. "Flippa ball". The team is made up of nine lucky students: Natalie Mitchell, Georgia Skelton, Alex Taylor, Micah Jude, Lucca Mann, Jacob de Graaf, Braden Brown, coach & manager Emma Skelton, co-coach Jenny Brown & our team reserve Joshua Glass.*

*The normal positions for the P.V.S power jets are: The two forwards: Alex Taylor, Braden Brown, Float: Georgia Skelton, Three backs; Natalie Mitchell, Lucca Mann, Micah Jude & Goalie: Jacob De Graaf. The positions vary depending on the team that they are playing.*

*Some people thought that Flippa ball was a version of cricket but it is actually played in a shallow pool with a ball that you pass around & try to score a goal while the goalie is defending.*

*"It is wonderful to have parents help & coach sport teams especially when we can't offer them in school". Says Mrs. Hibberd. Our last two games weren't that great, but we did our best and came fourth out of the sixteen teams.*

## **RWC: Spotlight Around the Globe** **What people thought of this opening ceremony.....**

Reported by Austen Stutt

Michael Duncan travelled by ferry to the new Wynyard area in Auckland City. He said that the ferry wasn't packed and crowded. There were no screens where I was sitting but there was some speakers, he said. He had recorded the ceremony on MYSKY HDI, so he got to watch it then.

Adam Young went to the top of a hill in Point View to watch the marvellous fireworks display for the Rugby World Cup. Adam thinks that Auckland needed to have more viewing places for the fireworks, or at least mention possibilities to the public. Although he said the time length was perfect, the display looked the same for the whole 12 minutes. So Adam was let down by the show but still enjoyed it.

Mehzia Fatima was also disappointed with the fireworks as she said that they started small then went big, during the 10 second count down Mehzia was expecting a humungous eruption in the sky on 0 but was let down as the biggest one came later.



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## BEES Start to Buzz

Reported by Karishma Patel and Margaret Li

BEES is a student group that meet once a week to discuss ideas that can improve our school environment. They plant seeds to make our school environment green. The BEES group have been recently working on the Hive. The Hive has all sorts of different plants in it, such as fruit trees surrounding a maze made from plants and shells. In later years everyone is hoping that these trees will grow big and tall.

Mrs Rhodes, manager of the BEES group, says, "We are now preparing for the opening of the Hive to the whole school. We need to weed the container boxes and clean up around the native area so that people can come in and enjoy the scenery".

"In the hive we have planted herbs native, trees and feijoa's in the maze. Now we are planting lettuces, peas and beans for our veggie patch".

BEES stand for  
 Beautification  
 Enrichment  
 Environment  
 Sustainability

The year threes and fours are in charge of the worm farm. They have to collect the worm wee or what they call worm tea. We asked some of the children what their favourite thing to do is. Most of them enjoy helping out with the worm tea.

It sounds like the BEES group have been working very hard in the hive lately. It is free for anyone to visit now.

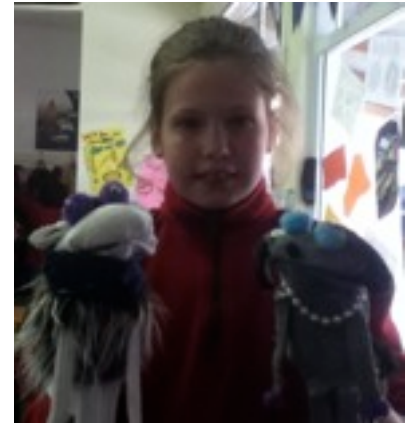


## Creating, Moving, Learning

Reported by Yash and Nicholas

Electives last term was a blast! They included:

- Short Film
- Drama
- Orienteering
- Photography
- Knitting
- Clay Sculpture
- ICT Animation
- Graphic Design
- Sport
- Cooking
- Short Film
- Gardening
- German
- Puppet making



Electives has given us opportunities we haven't had before. If we wanted to cook delicious food, take amazing pictures, or run around like a headless chicken, then electives provided us with this.

We had fun, in a safe environment with teacher support. We learnt many new skills.

Mr Pareanga said a few things about why he does short film:

"When I was little, I was a visual learner. Films have more affect than books."

"In puppet making, we used torn up clothes, socks, wool and fleece" student Vanessa Preston told the P.V.S.S Times.

Electives have been a roaring success this year. Next year the Year 5's will be looking forward to choosing another enjoyable elective in 2012.

# Rugby fever hits town

Reported by Liam Miles

## An interview with Derek Miles.

Derek Miles was in the opening ceremony for the RWC 2011. He was in the part called 'The Journey' and drove one of the small Blo-Karts, that represented the wakas that the Maori travelled to New Zealand on. Him and some other members of the Blo-Kart club were chosen to be in the opening ceremony, and they proudly accepted. Here is an interview with him:

On average how many people were involved in the opening ceremony?

Derek: There were around about 1,060 volunteers in the opening ceremony, but that doesn't include the people in the background and not on the field.

Around about how many practices did your group have in total?

Derek: About 100 hours in total and 4 dress rehearsals.

Was it very hard to get the track course right?

Derek: Yes, because we had to be in the right place at the right time to match the music.

How did it feel to go out onto the pitch in front of all of those people?

Derek: I was a little nervous before I went on and excited, but once I was on the field everything was fine because of all the hours of practice.

Do you think it could have been better?

Derek: No, I think it was very well done, but I think it would have been great to have some more time on the field in the Blo-Kart.

## Perspective of RWC opening ceremony and first match with Solomon Fifita:

Solomon Fifita is a rugby fan and went to the opening ceremony and first match. He was supporting Tonga.

Do you think that the opening ceremony could have been better?

Solomon: No, it was really good.

How do you feel about the games scores? Do you think either team could have done better?

Solomon: Tonga could have done better, but it was a great game anyway.

Who do you think were the best players from each team?

Solomon: For the All Blacks, it would be Richard Kahui, the Man of the Match, and for Tonga it would be Kurt Morath.

How did you get to the match?

Solomon: We drove up close to Eden Park, then left the car at a friends house and then walked.

Was the traffic very bad on the way there?

Solomon: Yes, it was very bad especially on the motorway.

Did it take a while to get out of the stadium?

Solomon: Yes, because on the way out we had to go through the gates.

It was a great night and you can be certain that it wouldn't have been such a huge hit if it hadn't been for all the volunteers who participated in the opening ceremony. The teams played great and they certainly continued that way.

## A bit of fun....Jokes and Riddles

Q1: Why is a flower like the letter 'A'?

A1: Because a bee always comes after it.

Q2: What's black and white and read all over?

A2: A newspaper.

Q3: The maker doesn't want it,  
The buyer doesn't use it and  
The user doesn't see it,  
What is it?

A3: A coffin.

Q4: The first 2 letters represent a male,  
The first 3 letters represent a female,  
The first 4 letters represent a great man,  
And the whole word a great woman,  
What is the word?

A4: Heroine.

Q5. What is in seasons, seconds, centuries and minutes.

But not in decades, years or days?

A5: The letter 'N'

## Beam, Vault, Floor... GALORE!!!

Reported by Chinen Huynh and Abi Anderson

On September the 8th two teams of the best gymnasts in the Senior School went to the annual Howick and Pakuranga Gymnastics competition. Nine excited Year 6 girls lined up to get into the awaiting parents' cars that would take them to the Howick Gymnastics Club in Highland Park. All 6 teams did really well, with the largest ever amount of children going to the the 'Champions of Champions' competition.

The competition ran throughout the day, with the Year 5's at 10.00am and the Year 6's starting at 12.30. The competition consists of 3 apparatuses – Beam, Floor and Vault. Suzie Chan says the beam is the hardest apparatus because you don't know whether you are going to fall off or not.

Our Year 5 girls team came first overall out of their age category. The top four scoring girls were Jessica Neale, Katarina Pickering, Brooke Davies and Rebecca Blakeman.

Our Year 5 boys came 5th overall out of their age category. The top competitor was Yash Sashri from Room 24 who came 4th out of all the Year 5 boys at the competition.

Our year 6 girls team came 4th overall. The team was Suzie Chan, Christina Woodhall, Adria Oelofse. Suzie Chan came 4th out of all the Year 6 girls there.

Our year 6 boys came 8th overall. Cameron Riley came 7th out of all the Year 6 boys.

On the 22nd of September Jessica, Katarina, Brooke, Rebecca, Chanelle, Suzie, Yash and Cameron went to Mt Roskill for the Auckland Champion of Champions Competition. The competition they competed at was against children from all over Auckland schools. The results were:

Year 5 boys Yash Sashri = 10th individual

Year 5 girls 2nd team event (Jessica Neale, Brooke Davies, Katarina Pickering and Rebecca Blakeman)

Yr 5 girls Jessica Neale=4th individual

Everyone tried their hardest to achieve their personal goals—including getting into the Champions of Champions competition. All the gymnasts had a fun day out. It was much better than doing schoolwork!

## Dance Fever!!

Reported by Karishma Patel and Margaret Li

During term two the dance group worked very hard to perform their dance. They performed to a Michael Jackson Medley. Dancer Caitlin Nauer says...

“Miss Ahn taught our dance group until there was a tragic downfall and Miss Ahn had to sadly leave to go back to Hong Kong. But fortunately Miss Ahn was replaced by Mrs Tauroa. Before the show the air was buzzing with excitement. Sadly the show was only for two nights. But I still had fun”

The team had a wonderful two nights dancing at Elim College and their show was a success. So a big congratulations to all that took part in the Senior Gate Dance group.

## Key events to come

Compiled by Alex Taylor

### 13 December - **Senior School Prize Giving**

*1642 - Abel Tasman becomes the first person to discover New Zealand.*

### 16 December - **Last day of school**

*1970 - The USSR (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) have successfully landed a space shuttle on Venus.*