



WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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ROOM 11 MOTIVATION EXPERIMENT FOR WRITING

CAN YOU BLOW UP A BALLOON WITHOUT USING YOUR MOUTH?

Equipment:

1.5 Litre Plastic Bottle 3 Balloons
Baking Soda Malt Vinegar or White Vinegar

Instructions:

Step 1: Get a 1.5 litre bottle and pour in either the malt or white vinegar in an equal amount of vinegar each time.

Step 2: Get some baking soda and a teaspoon and pour it into a bottle with the vinegar.

Step 3: Lastly put your balloon over the top of the plastic bottle with the lid off.

Prediction:

We think that the balloon will fill to its full capacity, and potentially explode.

Conclusion: This reaction is called acid based.

Vinegar is an acid and baking soda is a base.

The water in the vinegar acts as a host for the base. When the baking soda and the vinegar are mixed it makes the baking soda transform into water and carbon dioxide. The carbon dioxide is gas that is released during the reaction causing to bubble and blow the balloon up. *(By Sam Littlejohn)*



Charlotte Brosnahan and Indica Allan



Kieran Knight and Dion Pawson

THE WHARF

When you're short the wharf looks a million miles high.

I was only 8 and Laura was 10, so much older and taller than me. She could jump off the wharf without being scared.

I thought I would never be able to do that. I only went up to show that I was brave but I actually wasn't.

As I walked up the steps it felt as if the whole world was looking at me, everyone staring at me. Sweaty hands slipping against the handrail, legs aching from the long walk up.

Now I was there all alone. My heart sounded like a bomb going off. Sweat dripping out of my hair. Everyone was waiting for me to go, so I jumped.

I hit the water, legs first, going straight down, bubbles rising. I could not believe it. I had done it; because when you're just a short person the wharf looks a million miles high.

By Tom Hamill (Room 21)

WE NEED TO BORROW HAY BALES

CAN YOU HELP?

Our school is hosting an adventure race next term (more information regarding the event will be issued next week), but the organising committee would like to borrow hay bales of any size for the event. If you have any hay bales available from Friday the 30th of October until Sunday the 1st of November, can you please contact the school or email Mr Doney on william@wistecom.school.nz

**STREP THROAT IS AROUND IN THE EASTERN BAY
OFPLENTY!!! FREE STREP THROAT TESTING
AND SKIN CHECKS AT OUR SCHOOL EVERY THURSDAY
FROM 12.30PM – 1.15PM IN THE OFFICE FOYER**

Kip McGrath EDUCATION CENTRES

ENROL FOR YEAR 9 IN 2021

Kip McGrath will plan an individual programme for you to get you ready for high school. Our free assessment will uncover your knowledge. Then we will arrange a 9 week consolidation in either maths or English. Call 3071995 for more information.

CREATE A GARDEN COMPETITION

Since 2006 we have offered students the chance to be part of a "Create a Vegetable Garden" Competition. There is no cost. **It is not too late to take part. Permission slips are still available at the school office.** If your child would like to take part, ask them to pick one up, have it signed and return it to the office ASAP. Regards, Mrs Volmuller (Deputy Principal.)

NORMAL SCHOOL TIMETABLE

**School starts 8.50am sharp Morning tea 10.50am – 11.10am
Lunch 12.50pm – 13.40pm School ends 3.00pm**

Mission Statement

"A friendly, caring school with quality learning and quality behaviour that respects the needs of the individual student in the spirit of partnership between the school, caregivers and the community."

"He kura manaaki, he kura atawhai i nga tikanga rangatira, nga tikanga ahua noho o te taura i roto i te wairua ngatahi kei waenganui i te kura, nga kaitiaki me te iwi kainga."