

A very successful athletic event was held last Friday for the Year 4,5 and 6 children. Children impressed us with their behaviour, their determination and the way they supported and cheered on their peers. There was very strong competition shown during the relays with the staff narrowly beating the Year 6 teams.

On the 2nd December, a team of our students will represent the school at the Fairfield Cluster Athletic Sports held at Southwell School. We expect our children to make us proud. They always stand out with their sportsmanship, and respectful and responsible attitudes. We frequently have compliments made to us about the behaviour of our children when they are out of the school. They make us very proud!

#### Important Dates to Remember:

Tuesday 15 December - School finishes at 12.15pm

Wednesday 3 February 2021 - Term One Starts

## Book Club



Orders for the book club close on Thursday 26th November. No late orders

#### Calendar Art Orders:

The last day for Calendar Art orders is Thursday 19th November. No late orders will be accepted.

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#### Upcoming Events

Day	Date	What
Fri	27 Nov	Tabloids Y1-3
Wed	2 Dec	Cluster Athletics - Y5 & 6
Wed	9 Dec	Celebration Picnic Reports go home Disco - Y3-6
Thurs	10 Dec	Y1 and 2 Disco 2-3pm
Mon	14 Dec	Y6 Leavers Party
Tues	15 Dec	Final Assembly - Y6 parents only
Tues	15 Dec	School finishes at 12.15pm



Regards, Kay Cleaver, Principal.

# Ruma Toru's Got Talent

## I Remember the Ugly Emily

I remember those plastic eyes turned white by age.

I remember a big smile with red lipstick.

I remember the corner that she always sat in.

I remember what I did with it. I hid it in the hot water cupboard and my cousin found it. I re-hid it under the house, but she found it again. I hid it a third time in the rubbish bin and the rubbish truck came and picked it up. and I said bye bye doll.

Author: Dayzjon

## Weta-punga

Weta-punga have lived on Earth for 190 million years. Hues of brown and gold blanket the shield and act as camouflage in their habitat. Wetas use their antenna to feel what they're touching. Their ears are located on their legs. They come from an island called Little Barrier. Females are bigger than male and can weigh over 35 grams heavier than a sparrow bird. Wetas are non-violent and only eat vegetables. When they are mad, they will raise their back legs over their head to protect themselves.

Author: Sidney

## Weta-punga

Spikes cover all six legs of the weta punga. Her sharp claws on her feet hook on all surfaces. The weta-punga's legs connect under her exoskeleton and fat lines stain her exoskeleton too. At the end of her body lives a big long pointy ovipositor. Her small head pokes out from her body and her black eyes look like small beads. The weta's antenna reaches all the way to her back legs. Her armour colour looks like brown coffee with a bit of burnt black and greeny colour stains too.

Author: Ania

