

RAUMATI BEACH SCHOOL

17 February 2010

Dear Parents and Caregivers

RAUMATI BEACH SCHOOL NETBALL 2010

The netball season is sneaking up on us rather quickly and there are some important changes you need to be aware of.

ORGANISATION OF GRADES

In 2010 Primary netball teams will play two rounds of grading games with teams being placed into grades of 6 teams wherever possible. The overall number of teams entered may dictate some grades of 8 teams.

After the first full round of 5 games some teams may be re-graded. Some grades where teams are of a similar standard may not be affected, however, for teams that are clearly superior or are struggling this gives the opportunity to re-grade them.

Netball Kapiti's aim is to ensure all teams are placed in a competition grade suitable for their ability and to ensure all players have a positive experience.

UMPIRE REGULATIONS

This year Kapiti netball has decided that all primary teams must provide a 'qualified' umpire for their own games. Umpires of primary graded netball must have at least an approved centre level umpire qualification. Or they must have attended at least 2 Netball Kapiti practical umpiring sessions this season. Failure to provide an umpire who meets these criteria will result in the team having to default their game.

Two umpire sessions are being held on the following dates:

Saturday	17 th April	10.00 am – 12.00 noon
Sunday	25 th April	1.00 pm – 3.00 pm

More sessions will be added. During the season umpire training sessions take place every Thursday at Te Atiawa. Teams and umpires have until the 15th May to comply with this regulation.

UMPIRE PASSES

It has been decided that player umpire passes must be refreshed every 3 years. This means that if you got your umpire pass to play in 2007 it has now expired and must be redone to become current.

FUTURE FERNS

In 2010 Future Ferns games will be extended to 2 halves of 15 minutes each. Our Future Ferns will play rounds at 8.30 am and 9.15 am with the majority of the graded netball commencing at 10.00 am. By changing the starting time of the games these Future Fern teams will not be as rushed to get on and off courts before and after their games.

REGISTRATION FEES

Netball Kapiti now faces significant increases in fees and levies that have been imposed on them by Netball Wellington region, Netball NZ and the Pulse. Kapiti Netball's overall affiliation costs to NWR and NNZ have doubled. Kapiti netball has had several talks with NWR and NNZ but unfortunately there is little they can do about this situation. Our school is charged \$340 per team. Raumati Beach School also has a uniform charge of \$5.00 per student, this money goes towards laundering, repairing and replacing the uniforms.

Until we know how many girls are playing and how many teams we can enter we cannot confirm a fee, we will do so as soon as we are able. We can estimate a fee of around \$60.00 each, which may seem a little high, but when compared to other activities our children take part in, it is not as high as those (for two terms).

This year all fees will need to be paid in full by **Friday 19th March 2010**, a slip will go home shortly, no uniforms will be issued until full payment is made.

Please find attached a consent form stating that your daughter is serious about being a part of a team this season. I will need to ensure I have a coach and an umpire for each team. Once these details have been finalised I will go ahead with trials.

All teams must be trialled and registered by 1 April 2010.

CAN YOU COACH OR UMPIRE A TEAM?

All those interested in Coaching and Umpiring this year need to make themselves known to me as soon as possible. Every team must have a coach and an umpire attached to it before I can register the team. This may mean we can only enter a few teams this year. Coaches will not umpire their own team this season as it caused unnecessary stress to some of my coaches last year.

SEASON DATES

The netball season will begin on 1 May (no play Queens Birthday weekend) The future ferns season finishes on 7 August, and the graded netball commences two weeks later (to be confirmed).

NETBALL KAPITI WEBSITE

www.netballkapiti.org.nz - There is a lot of information on here, including weekly draws and points. I recommend checking the website regularly and looking in the school notices for any further information.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PLAYING REPS THIS YEAR?

Year 7 Development Day 7 March
Primary Rep Trials 16, 23, 30 May

Coaches are still required for some Rep teams please contact Amy at Kapiti Netball if you are interested.

Primary Pre- season training - all Year 7 & 8 children are invited to attend pre season training at the Te Atiawa courts Monday evenings from 5.30 pm until 7.00 pm commencing 22nd February.

ATTENTION ALL 2009 Year 7 rep training partners and those from the Yr 5 and Yr 6 training groups - sessions will also take place on Tuesday nights 5.30 pm until 7.00 pm commencing 23 March.



CONSENT FORM – RAUMATI BEACH SCHOOL NETBALL 2010

Please hand this form into the School Office by Friday 20 February 2010

Students Name – please print clearly *Room* *Year* *Age*

- My son/daughter would like to commit to playing Netball for Raumati Beach School this season.
- I understand I am required to pay the registration and uniform fee before Friday 19th March (this amount will be approximately \$60 – please wait for confirmation).
- I am able to coach a team.
- I am able to umpire a team.

Signed – Parent/Caregiver

Contact phone numbers