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## Caring for Our Community

### Summer is here!

Some tips from a nine year old, to help you enjoy.

*Yippee, yahoo, summer is here -  
We're going to visit Granny.  
We're not going to take the dog,  
He's going to a kennel nanny.*

*Mum's fixed the locks on the windows  
Dad didn't think she would.  
A neighbour's going to clear the box -  
And pick the new roses (well I said they could.)*

*I've packed my books and Teddy,  
And sunscreen, and water for the car.  
Dad won't be tired when we drive  
To Timbuktu - is that very far?*

*I hope my sister doesn't hit me,  
When we're in the back seat  
Or pull the head off my Roboraptor,  
Or eat my ice cream, or tickle my feet.*

*Last year I got food poisoning  
From pink BBQ chicken, the doctor says.  
I spewed, and spewed, and spewed, and spewed  
Then got sunstroke the next two days.*

*This year will be different -  
I'm going to swim to Africa and back.  
Mum's packed my asthma inhaler,  
So I won't have a yucky attack.*

*Where you going for your holiday?  
Come with us if you like.  
Dad's real good at packing the trailer  
You can fit between the kitchen sink and my bike.*

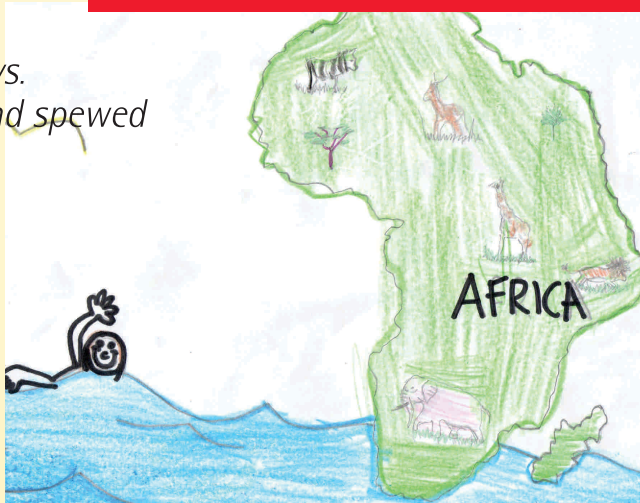


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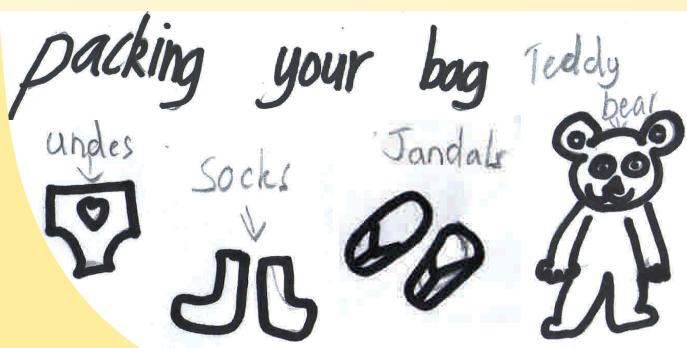


Take care everyone - enjoy yourselves and look after your friends and family. It's been great being a part of this community this year and we look forward to next year.

From the Electra Team 2006



If you would like to send in your summer holiday poem before the end of January next year, we'll publish a couple. Send them with you name and phone number, to Electra, PO Box 244, Levin.



### Electricity

### price vs. benefits

There is no doubt that the price of electricity has increased significantly over the past few years giving us larger power bills.

We are all probably doing as much as we can to save. While we do that let's also think about the benefits of electricity we sometimes take for granted.

After all, what else can give us hot meals, hot showers, warm dry towels, endless entertainment, warm and cool houses, dry hair, a warm bed, cold drinks and access to the world via the internet - to name a few!

The benefits of electricity enhance our lifestyles and represent immense value for money.

Let's put some costs and benefits into perspective:

- \$1.43 per litre to sit in traffic on a gloomy night - and your heat pump will give you a warm welcome home and keep you cosy till bedtime.
- A night at the movies for around \$12 would sustain your nightly TV entertainment for around nine weeks.
- 2 litres of ice cream might cost you \$2.50 - for that you could keep it in the freezer for well over a week - if it will last that long!
- A cup of coffee for \$3 - less than half a cent to heat the water - and \$2.95 for the experience!
- \$12.95 for a pizza, then store the leftovers in the fridge till breakfast for a mere 15 cents - yum!

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