



## Auckland Kids Grading - June'08

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Seventeen very excited youngsters graded in the Junior Grading on Saturday 28th of June.

Ranging in age from 6 – 13, the juniors put on a great effort for their new grades. For some, this was a first grading, for others a new coloured belt.

It was an excellent grading with all of the children passing their grades – many of whom were double graded in recognition of the hard work and level they had attained.

To all of you young Aikidoka who graded – CONGRATULATIONS!!

You worked hard and had fun training and the results were certainly there. To the parents who helped out in the many ways that supportive parents do – thank you so much. Your continued support makes the childrens class grow.

To Brent Beaumont Sensei from Waitakere – thanks so much for your encouragement, for grading the children and lending us your mats. A special thanks to Sarah Baker Sensei, Tamsin Graham, Kelly Ngyen and Sergio for helping us out on the day.



All the grading participants patiently sitting in Seiza and awaiting their grading results.