

# Fairburn School Newsletter

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Kia ora, Malo e Lelei, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Ni sabula, Mauri, Suosday, Sat Sri Akaal, Tajba Filghodu, Xin Chao, Ni Hao, Guten Tag, Sawadee, Kumusta, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Maith, warm greetings to you all.



## Stationery

It is great to see our students back and ready to work in 2014. Today they will bring home their stationery lists which will have the books pencils etc they will need for the year. This can be purchased as a pack from school from tomorrow **Tuesday**. When you send the money in, please put it in an envelope clearly labeled with the student's name and class number so it can be processed. If you decide to buy stationery items somewhere else, please be aware that we would like the students to have the specific items listed. **It will be good to get your child's stationery as quickly as possible**, if payment is a problem, please talk to Mrs Woodard (DP Middle and Senior classes) or Ms Passfield (DP Junior classes) and we may be able to assist in this.



## Hats

A reminder all students must wear a hat when they are outside during Term 1. The best sunhat is one with a peak to shade both the head and the face. We do have a variety of caps for sale in the school office, these come in a variety of colours and cost \$6 each.

## School Times

The first bell goes at 8.15am – this is the time that children should start arriving at school. Children arriving earlier than this sit on the seats outside Rms 15-22 until the bell goes at 8.15am.

**School starts**

**8.55am**

**Morning Interval**

**10.40 – 11am**

**Lunchtime**

**12.30 – 1.20pm** (Lunch is eaten between 1.05pm and 1.20pm)

**School finishes at 2.50pm**

**All students should be picked up as soon as possible after 2.50pm. If you are going to be later than 3.05pm, please let the school office know. All children should be out of the school by 3.15pm at the latest. No supervision is available before 8.15am and after 3.15pm.**

## What's Going On.....

If you have come in to school, you will see that the administration block is under repair. This will take about 20 weeks to complete. The school office is now in the Portacom on the end of the field. Please try and avoid using Pukeora Rd to get in to the school and **do not park inside the carpark**. There will be trucks and workmen moving around the construction area and it is not a safe area to be walking through. Please use the path around the area if you do come in this gate.

The best entry points to our school during the construction are from Fairburn Rd or Petrie Place. A reminder that our school has regular visits from both the police and the Auckland City Traffic Wardens. They will be looking to see all vehicles are parked legally and that all children are wearing seatbelts and the correct booster seats. A number of people were angry and upset last year when they received tickets for parking illegally. The only way to avoid getting a ticket is to make sure you park legally.

Otahuhu is working to be a **“Truant Free Area”**. The local schools, the Business Association, the Police and Truancy Services will be working together to ensure that students are at school when school is open. Absences from school mean your child misses important learning!

Frances Nelson  
Principal

## Community Notices

**Otahuhu United Soccer Club** for players from 4 years up, registrations at Seaside Park Clubrooms in Princes St East 13<sup>th</sup> February 5-7pm and 16<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> February 10am – 2pm. Enquiries ph 2769975 or emails [secretary@othahuhusoccer.org.nz](mailto:secretary@othahuhusoccer.org.nz)

**Dental Health Service** – the “Super Clinic” (located beside Otahuhu Primary School) will arrange appointments for our students to visit the clinic when their teeth need attention. Parents will need to arrange to take their children to and from the clinic for their appointments. The dental van will be at our school to do the initial checks before appointments are sent home.