

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.

School Arts Festival and Prizegivings

On Friday 12th December, we invite you to come along to school to enjoy the work that our students have completed as part of their Learning Inquiry in the Arts. Work will be on display and there will be performances by different groups of students during the morning (a programme was sent home on Monday) then prize-giving ceremonies will follow in the afternoon. We look forward to seeing you here on the day.



Staff News

We have lots of exciting things happening for our staff over the next wee while. At the end of the school year, we will be saying farewell to a number of our teaching staff. Ms Willis (currently on parental leave) and Mr Waikato will be moving their family back to Invercargill and to new jobs and opportunities for their family. Mrs Steel and her family are moving to Whangarei where both her and her husband Nathan have new jobs. Mrs O'Loughlin will also be leaving us after two years in our team. Miss Pyle will be moving to a new job in Napier. We will miss all of these staff members when they move on to new adventures in their lives. We thank them for all their work and involvement at Fairburn School and wish them all well for their new jobs. On parental leave for the beginning of 2015 are Miss Passfield and Mrs Saipele. We wish them well as they welcome new babies in to their families and look forward to seeing them back at Fairburn School later in the year. We have two new staff members joining us next year – Miss Bayley and Miss Brearley – and will be introducing them to you in 2015.

Student Reports

Every student should have their written report in a sealed envelope ready to give you after school today. The reports describe your child's progress and their next learning steps. They also give you an idea of how they sit alongside other students of their year level. We hope that you find these useful. If you have queries about the reports, please contact your child's teacher for clarification.



Merit Awards Congratulations to the following merit award recipients from the past three weeks: Sofileni Talamai, Thomas Mika, Ayla Flavell, Ishika Madhvi, Azalea Smith, Aamna Hussein,

Raheem Ali, Edwynah Uaisele, Rayyan Ghumkhor, Dat Pham, John Netane, Samneet Kaur, Tuu Otani, Snigdha Datla, Tamara Talitiga-Faaiva, Karleen Gueho, Kiara Kipa, Samuela Koroise, Babylon Lorenz, Chantelle Purcell, Prahbjott Kaur, Junior Afoa, Marcus Malo, Ngairie Rameka-Morunga, Chichi Onwudiwe, Nora Toatasi, David Tuipulotu, Payton Edmonds-Kameta, Andrew Cutajar, William Richard, Tafao Asaua, Zavana Waller, Isis-Milan Nohe, Avni Bhana, Sheyenne Taoipu, Solomone Taukatelata, Talia Koloamatangi, Khapri Fue Ai olupu, Margaret Mika, Eziah Smith, Elisiva Lolohea, Moeroa Enoka, Andrew Goel, Juliet Schaumkel, Sepuita Mohetau, Harmony Paka, Victoria Stowers, Kemindhi Liyanage, Maini Seloti, Praveshek Narayan, Samisoni Fili, Momota Taufua, Ria Prasad, Matthew Turua, Samuel Masi, Paull Sharma, Riyansha Sen, Arnet Levi, Ripeka Toki-White, Mohammed Koya, Justin Chen, Kakala Faavesi, Mikaele Pangai, Calvin Pepa, Layton Maurangi, Larry Leha, Rosa Ki, Ibrahim Chaker, Vilina Finau, Prudence Turuariki, Lisia Pauu, Rosalyn Koloa, Moehani Samuel, Mavae Asi, Credence Peebles, Alok Kumar, Joshika Prasad, Shakana Rangi.

Term Dates

Wednesday 10th December

End of Year Students Written Reports

Friday 12th December

Arts Festival & Prize-giving

Monday 15th December

Junior School "Fun Day" at School

Monday 15th December

Year 3&4 "Fun Day" Trip

Monday 15th December

Year 5&6 "Fun Day" Trip

Tuesday 16th December

Last Day of School for 2014 – 12.30pm finish

2015 School Year

Monday 2nd February

First day of School for 2015

Friday 6th February

Waitangi Day – Public Holiday

Thursday 2nd April

End of Term 1

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Frances Nelson

Principal



Community Notices

Free Water Safety and Swimming Lessons

Otahuhu Recreation & Youth Centre will be running the Whanau Nui Water Safety Programme at the Fairburn School Pool from Monday 19 January-Friday 23 January 2015. To enrol or for more information, please contact the Otahuhu recreation Centre on Otahuhu@clmnz.nz or phone (09)2768207. Bookings are essential as places are limited to 50 children and 30 adults.