

FAIRBURN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Term 1, Week 2

Wednesday 7th February 2018

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

WELCOME BACK!

We would like to take this opportunity to give a huge welcome back to all our returning Fairburn students and whanau and also a big welcome to all our new families. It is so nice to see new and familiar faces around the school and we trust you all had a great summer break and are as excited about the new school year as we are.

There is always lots going on at school to get involved with so we want to remind you to read the dates along the right hand side of the newsletters and also keep an eye on our Facebook page and website for future events.

www.fairburn.school.nz or
www.facebook.com/fairburnschool

Finally, please ensure we always have your up to date contact details.

SUN HATS

Just a friendly reminder that all children need to have a sunhat/cap when they are outside. Children who do not have a hat to wear at break times will be required to sit in designated shade areas. Please support your child by ensuring they have a hat to either bring to school every day during term 1 or leave at school in the classroom to be used during break times. Also, please make sure your child's hat is named. We have caps for sale in the office, \$7 each—new colours in stock!

THE IMPORTANCE OF ATTENDANCE

We would like to take this opportunity to remind families the importance of attendance and the outline of the school day.

Our school day:

8.15am First bell rings

8.55am - 10.40am School in session

10.40am - 11.00am Interval

11.00am - 12.30pm School in session

12.30pm - 1.20pm Lunchtime (eating time 1.10pm)

1.20pm - 2.50pm School in session

If your child is unable to attend for the day PLEASE let the school office know. You can contact the school office by phone 2701130 or can report an absence online on our website.

FAIRBURN SCHOOL PICNIC

We are looking forward to having our first annual "Getting to Know Each Other Fairburn School Picnic" on Wednesday 14th March between 4.30-6.30pm.

We aim to make it a fun event for families and school staff. There will be plenty of fun activities, some sports fun, a sausage sizzle etc and everyone can bring food to share with their families. It will be a great opportunity for Fairburn staff and families to get to know each other.

SWIMMING

A quick reminder that swimming starts again this week. All students should have brought home a note with their allocated timeslots. Please feel free to ask your child's classroom teacher for more information.

Swimming is part of the NZ curriculum and a very important part of your child's programme at school. For the first month of our swimming season, our Year 3 to Year 6 students have swimming lessons with trained instructors as part of an agreement with the Auckland Council. This is a fabulous opportunity for our students so please make sure that your child has their togs every swimming day.

PAID UNION MEETING EARLY FINISH ON THURSDAY 15TH MARCH

On Thursday 15th March, the teachers are attending a paid union meeting and will not be at school from 12.30pm. We would appreciate it, if you could pick your children up at the beginning of lunchtime (12.30pm). There will be some teachers still at school to supervise any children who are not able to go home at this time but we do need you to let us know if you want your child to remain at school. We apologise for any inconvenience the earlier finish time may cause and appreciate your support for our staff being able to attend their union meeting. If you have any further inquiries please contact the office.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

FRIDAY 9TH MARCH

JUNIOR SWIMMING CARNIVAL

WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH

INTERSCHOOL SOFTBALL

WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH

'GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER' PICNIC

THURSDAY 15TH MARCH

PAID UNION MEETING

FRIDAY 30TH MARCH

GOOD FRIDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED

MONDAY 2ND APRIL

EASTER MONDAY—SCHOOL CLOSED

TUESDAY 3RD APRIL

EASTER OBSERVATION—SCHOOL CLOSED

THURSDAY 5TH APRIL

MIDDLE SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

FRIDAY 6TH APRIL

SENIOR SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

TUESDAY 10TH APRIL

INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

TUESDAY 10TH APRIL

YR 5 & 6—EYE ON NATURE

WEDNESDAY 11TH APRIL

FAIRBURN WHANAU MEETING

COMMUNITY NOTICES **Otago Family Fun Day** Sat 24 Feb 2018, 10:00am–2 at Toia, Mason Avenue. The Otago Family Fun Day is a FREE day with a carnival atmosphere put on for the Otago community. * FREE Children's activities and entertainment * FREE BBQ Sausages * FREE Cupcakes & Drinks *FREE Stage & roving entertainment *FREE Prizes and Giveaways

Regards

Paula Passfield

Principal