

# FAIRBURN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Term 1, Week 8

Wednesday 20th March 2024

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.

## IMPORTANCE OF ATTENDANCE REMINDER

Following our big push on attendance at the end of last year, and our new text system, the attendance figures at school have improved! Keep up the great work!  
We would like to take this opportunity to remind families the importance of attendance and arriving at school on time. School begins at 8.55am sharp! If your child is unable to attend for the day, PLEASE let the school office know. There are various ways to do this:

- Call 09 2701130
- Report absence on website
- Email info@fairburn.school.nz
- Text Fairburn mobile 021 247 0421
- Use Facebook messenger
- Contact classroom teacher before 8.30am

**Reasons for absence will not be accepted from a child**

## CAN YOU HELP?

Kia ora, we would like to invite you along to a parents meeting on Thursday 4th April at 3:10pm to discuss ways parents could help next term with our Language weeks & Matariki celebrations.

**Please come along!**

**MIDDLE & SENIOR SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS**  
**Friday 22nd March from 11am**

11:10 - 11:45am: Group A  
11:45 - 12:30pm: Group B  
1:30 - 2:00pm: Group C  
2:00 - 2:30pm: Group D

Your child should know their group - but if in doubt, please check with their classroom teacher

## 2024 STUDENT COUNCIL

After successful election speeches, the votes were cast and we would like to congratulate our 2024 Student Council!

Standing L-R  
Josaiiah Rm 28, Samuel Rm 30,  
Josiah Rm 26, Aryav 27  
Tyron Rm 31  
Sitting L-R  
Zahra Rm 32, Indie Rm 31,  
Dhruvi Rm 26, Ms Passfield



## PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following children:



Antoinette F, Idris I, Aloisia S-H, Jessica V, Laylah B, Alexander H, Simratpreet K, Naira N, Ashley R, Savior S, Aya S, Sithmi J, Gabriella K, Hidayah A, Nive M, Cameron V, Natasha T, Mackie P, Austin C and Mia F.

## PRESCHOOL VISITS TERM 1

If you have a child who is going to turn 5 soon, please call Miss Pritchard to organise dates for preschool visits. A parent or whanau member (over 18 years old), must stay for the entire preschool visit. Bring along some morning tea for you and your child. **Our last visit for term 1 will be this Friday: Friday 22nd March (9am - 10:40am)**

Nga Mihi  
*Paula Passfield*  
Principal

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**FRIDAY 8TH MARCH**  
JNR SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

**FRIDAY 22ND MARCH**  
MIDDLE & SENIOR SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

**MONDAY 25TH MARCH**  
INTERSCHOOL SOFTBALL

**FRIDAY 29TH MARCH**  
GOOD FRIDAY-SCHOOL CLOSED

**MON & TUE 1ST - 2ND APRIL**  
EASTER MONDAY/TUESDAY SCHOOL CLOSED

**THURSDAY 4TH APRIL**  
PARENT HELPER MEETING 3:10PM

**FRIDAY 12TH APRIL**  
LAST DAY OF TERM 1 (SCHOOL CLOSURES NORMAL TIME)

**MONDAY 29TH APRIL**  
FIRST DAY OF TERM 2



## 2024 TERM DATES

**TERM 1**  
Tuesday 30th January - Friday 12th April

**TERM 2**  
Monday 29th April - Friday 5th July

**TERM 3**  
Monday 22nd July - Friday 27th September

**TERM 4**  
Monday 14th October - Friday 13th December

**WHAT IS YOUR ATTENDANCE??**

There are 175 non-school days a year. There's plenty of time to go on visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.

Attendance Level	Days Absent	Consequence
100%	0 days	WELL DONE! High attendance leads to improved and high achievement which means greater success.
97%	UP TO 6 DAYS	WORRYING Too many missed school days. Less chance of success.
96.9-93%	UP TO 14 DAYS	CONCERN Reduced chance of success. Possible court action.
92%	UP TO 20 DAYS	CONCERN Reduced chance of success. Possible court action.
BELOW 90%	CONSIDERABLE	SERIOUS Lowest chance of success. Possible court action.

Living & selling locally Otahuhu **BAYLEYS**

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