

Fairburn School Newsletter

Newsletter Number 7

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Kia ora, Talofa lava, Namaste, Kia orana, Malo e Lelei, Fakalofa lahi atu, Ni hao, greetings to you all.

Term 2 Dates :

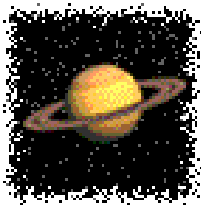
Thursday 19 May	Parent Meeting
Monday 23 May	Otahuhu Community Forum
Wednesday 25 May	Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Meeting
Tuesday 31 May	Winter Sports Day
Monday 6 June	Queen's Birthday – holiday
Wednesday 15 June	Sharing our Learning Open Day
Monday 11 July	School reports come home
Wednesday 13 July	Three-way Conferences
Friday 15 July	Term 2 ends
Monday 1 August	Term 3 starts

Parents Meeting

You are invited to join in with a parent meeting on **Thursday at 3pm** in the Magnolia Room (Junior area next to Rm 7) to investigate starting a Parent Teacher Group (a PTA). Parents and friends of the school are welcome to join in this discussion.

Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Meeting Wednesday 25th May

We will be teaching a unit of work called **Keeping Ourselves Safe** that is focused on the health and safety of our students. Before this work begins, we want to talk to parents about the content of this programme. It covers a wide range of topics and includes a section on sexual and physical abuse. This programme is taught in all NZ schools every second year as part of the NZ Health Curriculum. The programme has been designed jointly by educators and the police. There will be homework tasks for families to do during the unit of work so that parents are aware of the things that children are learning. The meeting will be held in the school hall at 3pm.



Inquiry Learning Sharing Day

On 15 June, we will be inviting parents in to our classrooms to see the work that students have done during the Space Topic they have been studying. This will start around 11am and go over the lunch hour. More information will come home closer to the time.



Kai Baskets

In term 1, our year 5&6 classes successfully trialed the idea of having a Kai basket in their classroom. On most days we have children who either would appreciate more food to eat at lunchtime, or children who have lots of food and are unable to eat it all. Children who have extra food have often said that they would like to share it rather than take it back home or throw it away. By providing a Kai Basket in each classroom, children could either contribute food or take it, and there would not be any pressure for children to do either. At Fairburn School we promote our school values as part of our daily lives. This is a good way of reinforcing and “living” the values of kindness and consideration. Because this has been successful in Years 5&6, in the next few weeks we would like to have them in every classroom. Please could you talk to your child about the Kai Basket and if you have any further ideas or concerns please contact the school.

Weekly Merit Award Winners – congratulations to the following

students – Lawson Leupolu, Gardenia Silva, Tepara Edmonds-Kameta, Vinisha Chouhan, Bi Chin, Kepueli Latu, Nigel Kumar, Harley Aue, Azil Hussein, Zachariah Tehaki, Abhi Sheik, Bernice Lemalu, Karishma Lal, Harsh Kumar, Junior Tongotongo, Hoang Luu, Thuy Tran, Manu Tekeu, Krish Patel, Tai Montrose, Shagufa Niamati, Jorja Jensen-Fraser, Faith Anae, Britney Le, Claire Saipani, Samuel Tuiti-Tahi, Caleb Makoare, Tuipulotu Vaomotou, Serenade Willie, Nava Dawson, Leilani Langi, Tamaiva George, Shakur Hohaia, Tee-Jay Tapu, Sione Kailea, Yousuf Khan, Cindy Xu, Aayush Kumar, Marley Lemanu, Payton Edmonds-Kameta, Sera-Jane Russell, Koliniasi Hafoka, Violet Maka, Hala Vaka, Aineo Palometa, April Heffernan, Brooklynn Wharepouri, Leimoana Sami, Sailosi Sitaleki, Adriana Henare, Haami Waaka, Olly Wharepouri, Vili Talanoa, Cathy Finau, Pearl Rehu, Ethan Temoananui, Bayden McCormick-Cameron.

Frances Nelson
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Otahuhu Community Forum Meeting Monday 23rd May in Otahuhu Town Hall 6-8pm. Discussion will be around areas of Safety, Youth, Environment, Community and Arts and Culture. RSVP to Jo Wyeth 3542044 or jo.wyeth@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz or Richette Rodger 0274 765453. All welcome.

