

# Fairburn School Newsletter

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Kia ora, Malo e Lelei, Bula, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Ni sa bulu, Suosday, Sat Sri Akaal, Tajba Filghodu, Xin Chao, Ni Hao, Guten Tag, Sawadee, Kumusta, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Maith, Assalamualikum, Madaainn Mhath, Goeie Middag and hello.

## Climbing in to Culture

A really big "Thank you" to all of the families and members of the local community who came along and joined in to our Climbing in to Culture work and presentations over the last couple of weeks. We have been honoured by your involvement and really appreciate having you with us here at school.



Our work will continue on during the rest of the year and we intend to have a cultural festival just before the end of the year.

## Speech Competitions

Congratulations to Izilah Zyna Mohammed who won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Auckland Primary Schools Hindi Speech Competition held recently. We are proud to say that our school has now won this for the last 11 years, an excellent record! Congratulations also to March Tiotala who won our school English Speech competition and to Deborah Salavea who came runner-up. March will compete in the local area speech competition held at Fairburn School on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August. On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September, Jahkaya Taukei will be representing Fairburn School at the Maori Speech Contest. Today, Krystal Taliaoa is representing our school at the Samoan Speech Contest. We know all of these students have worked hard and are great representatives for our school, congratulations and our best wishes to them all.



## Daffodil Day

Our school will be taking part in the Cancer Society fundraising on Daffodil Day – this Friday. We will have a coin trail collection on Friday morning. It would be appreciated if your child could bring a coin to add to the trail. Each child will receive a paper/fabric daffodil to wear in support of this fundraiser. Thank you for your support.

## Student Safety Issues

When you come to drop off or pick up your children, we ask you to carefully follow our school safety rules. Please let your children in and out of the car on the footpath side of your car so they are not in danger of being hit by passing vehicles. We want children to stay on the pathways and not to walk across the carparks or to walk across the cul-de-sac in Pukeora Rd to get to your car. Both areas have lots of cars moving around at the time school comes out making them dangerous if students are not using the footpaths.

## Term Dates:

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September

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Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September

Area Speech Contest (English) at Fairburn School

Maori Speech Competition

Hearing and Vision Testing

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Tongan Speech Competition

Year 3-6 Cross Country at Memorial Park

Kids For Kids Concert (evening)

Term 3 finishes

Frances Nelson

Principal

## Community Notices

### South Auckland Education Fono

We invite you to come along to this Fono on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September 9am – 2pm at the Otahuhu Town Hall. The Fono will look at current government initiatives such as national standards, league tables and charter schools and how these may impact on education in our area and in NZ as a whole. Speakers include Martin Thrupp, John O'Neill and Peter O'Connor (University Professors), Shirley Maihi (Principal Finlayson Park School), Ant Backhouse, Efeso Collins and others involved in education.

### 2012 International Food & Moon Festival 10am – 4pm, Saturday, 22nd September

2012 Pilkington Rd & Clifton Court, Panmure - Kids Playground; Old Macdonald's Farm; Bouncy Castle; Balloon Sculpture; Face Painting; Food Culture; onsite cooking demonstrations of dumplings, noodles and other traditional Chinese foods - all welcome.

Have you had **Postnatal Depression** and you'd like to help other mothers at-risk/experiencing postnatal depression? Mothers Helpers are seeking volunteers who can give a minimum of 4hrs/week of their time. Full training, support and supervision will be given. Contact Kristina cellphone 022-093-1822 or [info@mothershelpers.co.nz](mailto:info@mothershelpers.co.nz)

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