

Fairburn School Newsletter

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Kia ora, Malo e Lelei, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Ni sabulu, Mauri, 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.



Park safely and keep our kids safe

This is a really important issue!!!!!! Our students are placed at risk because parents parking in Pukeora Rd and Fairburn Rd are preventing them from using the footpaths and getting safely around the culdesac! Too many adults are taking their children across roads and **NOT** doing this safely. Our Fairburn Whanau members have discussed the issue of safety outside our school and are willing to help us by supervising the roads around our school. We need everyone to show the way here, don't park or drive selfishly – be a good role model to all of our students! Fairburn Whanau will arrange a parent meeting to discuss this issue and we want you to be part of solving the problem.



Board of Trustees Elections in 2013

The School Trustee Elections will be held in May of this year. On Tuesday 16th April we invite you to come along to hear Chris France speaking on the work of school trustees and what you need to be able to do to be on the board of trustees. There will be two sessions – the first from 3.15 – 4.30pm and the second from 7-8pm. Even if you are not wanting to stand for the board yourself, you can find out what its about so you know what they have to do and then vote for the best people in the board election. The meetings will be here at Fairburn School, anyone who is interested can come. Our electoral roll includes parents and caregivers of students attending the school. So you are able to receive information and voting papers, you need to make sure we have your correct address and contact details. Please check with Marise Dormer in the school office urgently if you are not sure your details are up to date.

Junior School Swimming Carnival

The Junior School Swimming Carnival will be held here at school on Thursday 28th March starting at 11.45am. We look forward to seeing you here supporting your children.

Thank You

The teachers appreciated your assistance in enabling your children to return home at lunch time on Tuesday 19th March so they could attend their Paid Union

Meeting. This enabled all NZEI teacher members to find out about the issues facing them in their collective agreement negotiations. Unfortunately, a small number of children were not picked up until well in to the afternoon and parents had not seen the (3) notices sent home. In trying to make contact with parents, we were concerned to find that many families had not notified us of changes to phone numbers and/or addresses. We need **you** to ensure that we always have correct contacts for you and your emergency contacts. If your child had an accident or we needed to contact you in an emergency, we would have no way of getting hold of you!

Last Saturday, our school was represented by students, staff and parents at the Otahuhu Family Day. A really big **thank you** to all of the people who helped out in so many ways on the day. Our school “stall” with its games and art work was very well received by the community and our students performed beautifully and made us proud. Well done everyone involved.

Easter Break

A reminder that this weekend, it is Easter and the school is closed on Friday, Monday and Tuesday. We hope that you and your family have a safe and enjoyable Easter Weekend.



2013 Term Dates

Thursday 28th March
Friday 29th March
Monday 1st April
Tuesday 2nd April
Tuesday 16th April
Thursday 18th April
Friday 19th April
Monday 6th May

Junior School Swimming Carnival
Good Friday – Public Holiday
Easter Monday – Public Holiday
Easter School holiday
Information meetings – Board of Trustees
Otahuhu Cultural Festival
End of Term 1
First day of Term 2

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have earned a merit award over the past two weeks : Josephine Teatao, Harmony Paka, Chisom Ochibulu, Lennix Loseli, Gaurav Maharaj, Luziena Sukanaveita, Bianca Paila, Teahui Emanuela, Donal Kumar, Rivashae Nohe, Teao Taliauli, Joshua Mesui, Jack Burrett, Fetuli Tuipulotu, Kesiani Langi, AJ Taliaoa, Ishika Kumar, Cody Steed, Peter Togafau, Leyton Green, Iasinta Aiolutotea, Zowie Maota, Liuaki Hansen, Ria Prasad, Michelle Nhan-Ly, Nava Dawson, Rani Jeet, Nathan Talitiga-Faaiva, Folau Foliaki, Manaia Karanga, Popua Samate, Alex Tran, Kaleb Jensen-Fraser, Michael Singh, Trishant Kumar, Riyansha Sen, Ireani Karanga, Anerita Ilalio, Paea Manu, Arohaina Ngare. Well done to all these students.

Frances Nelson - Principal