

Fairburn School Newsletter

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Kia ora, Malo e Lelei, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Ni sabula, 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.



Throughout the next five weeks all children will be taking part in a personal safety programme, *Keeping Ourselves Safe*.

Keeping Ourselves Safe has been designed to provide children with the skills to cope in situations that might involve abuse.

It has three overall aims:

- To develop and strengthen skills children need to keep themselves safe;
- To support and encourage abused children to get help from caring adults;
- To make parents and teachers more aware of the need to keep children from being abused by adults or older children.

Keeping Ourselves Safe has been developed by the New Zealand Police. It will be taught by your child's teacher, with help from the Police Education Officer as required.

To be successful, *Keeping Ourselves Safe* needs your help and support. Information will be sent home about this. Some home activities will come home for you to work on with your child.

It is important that you participate as much as possible, so that you can reinforce the messages children are getting and help your child use his or her skills with confidence.

For further information about the *Keeping Ourselves Safe* programme there will be a parents meeting in the *Magnolia Room* on Wednesday 31 July at 3.pm We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.



A very warm welcome to all of the new students and their families who have joined us this term. We look forward to getting to know you all. We also welcome our new Social Worker – Mrs Julie Nohe to our school. You are welcome to come in and say hello.

School Reports

Our first half-year formal written reports have been completed and will be coming home to parents on Wednesday 31st July. Please ask your child for the report when they get home. We hope that these will add to your understanding of your child's work and learning levels following the information received during the earlier conferences. The report will also tell you the attendance total for your child. Attendance at school and your child's progress are closely linked and this is why we are noting this on each report.

2013 Term Dates

Monday 5 th August	ASB Financial Literacy sessions
Tuesday 6 th August	ASB Financial Literacy Lessons
Wednesday 21 st August	Inter-school Girls Soccer
Thursday 22 nd August	Inter-school Boys Soccer
Tuesday 3 rd September	Inter-school Hockey
Wednesday 11 th September	Zone Speech Competition – English
Thursday 12 th September	Kids for Kids Festival
Friday 27 th September	Last day of Term 3
Monday 14 th October	First day of Term 4
Wednesday 18 th December	Last day of the school year

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards in the last week of term 2 – Dana Kipa, Solomone Tuitupou, Sepuita Mohetau, Aleiyah Tuala, Tamsyn Neho, Cody Steed, Jordan Galuvao-Leota, Keanu Richard, Joshua Taioalo, Naharah Crawford, Aiesha Lloyd-Topp, Ishita Naidu, Skylah Leota, Credence Peebles, Kamalpreet Preet, Tekura Marsters, Mele Pauu, Ono Ming, Ibrahim Chaker, Jireh Pele, Prudence Turuariki, Kaleb Jensen-Fraser, Darryl Kereti, Junior Kiro-Tupai, Dannielle West, Linh Ngo, Logan Crawford, Inia Vaka, Simon Quach. Well done to each of these students.

Frances Nelson
Principal

