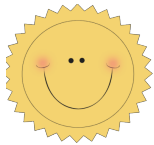


Fairburn School Newsletter

Newsletter Number 3

26th February 2014



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, warm greetings to you all.

Stationery

Most students have now bought their stationery. It is important for the last few to be able to get theirs too. If payment is a problem, please talk to Mrs Woodard (DP Middle and Senior classes) or Ms Passfield (DP Junior classes) and we may be able to assist in this.



Rheumatic Fever Prevention Programme

This programme is now well under way. If you have not returned your child's forms, please send these back urgently. If you are not happy for your child to be included, please return the forms stating this, as we need to know that all families have received the forms and made a decision. This is a really important programme and will not cost your family anything but it will give your children protection from this disease.

Fairburn Whanau

The first Fairburn Whanau meeting this year will be on Thursday 6th March at 3.10pm in the school hall. A crèche will be available for your children so you can relax and listen to what is happening without having to worry about them. We will be focusing on the health of our school and community. It is an opportunity to find out more about the Rheumatic Fever Programme and other health issues that the community is facing.

Meet the Staff

Thanks to all of the families who turned up yesterday to meet with the staff. You will have received a "homework" sheet to talk through with your child. It is to let you know what they are doing at school and tell you how important it is for you to be interested, supportive and helpful to your child when they are doing homework. Only parents and whanau can make sure they get time and a place every school night to do the home learning tasks. We will be coming back to this at the Student-Led Conferences in the middle of the year to see how you are going with this.

Our building project is progressing well and is on time so far. Our office is down on the far end of the sports field. The easiest gate to use if you are coming to the office is the bottom gate on Fairburn Rd.

Cycle Safety Week

Our Year 5&6 students have been busy learning how to ride a bike and cycle safely. This has been a really good opportunity for them to try something that many haven't had a chance to do before. The bikes and helmets as well as the instructors are provided free - by BigFoot Adventures - for us to use for the week. We are very grateful to Bigfoot for the opportunity to have this at our school.



Term Dates

Wednesday 26th February
24th – 28th February
Thursday 6th March
Thursday 13th March
Friday 21st March
Friday 28th March
Tuesday 1st April
Wednesday 2nd April
Saturday 5th April
7th, 8th & 9th April
Friday 11th April
Thursday 17th April
Friday 18th April
Monday 21st April
Monday 5th May

Year 5&6 Inter-school Cricket
Year 5&6 Cycle Safety Week
Fairburn Whanau Parents Meeting
Year 5&6 Softball
Junior Swimming Carnival
Class Photos
Board of Trustees Meeting
Year 4-6 Inter-school Swimming Sports
Otahuhu Family Fun Day
Junior Classes visiting MOTAT
Eye on Nature
Last Day of Term 1 – holidays start
Good Friday
Easter Monday
Term 2 starts

Frances Nelson
Principal

Community Notices

Otahuhu Rugby Football Club – Junior Registrations (Under 6 – Under 13s) for 2014. Saturday 1st March at 10am – 1pm and every Friday 5.30 – 6.30pm then every Saturday in March from 10-11am. New coaches and managers needed, if you are interested please contact TommyRoache 021892141 or Luisa Roache 0212502982 or email Tj_roache@yahoo.co.nz