

Fairburn School Newsletter

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Kia ora, Talofa, Namaste, Kia orana, Malo e Lelei, hello everyone. We would like to extend a special welcome to all the new families who have enrolled this term. We hope that everyone has had a restful break and that children are ready to take on new learning challenges in Term 3.

Three Way Conferences

Thank you to the families who came along to the 3 way conferences at the end of last term. 69% of our families attended the conferences which were extremely informative for all who were involved and particularly important for the children. Those children whose families did not come were very disappointed as it was a great opportunity for parents to share in the many good things their children are doing at school, as well as find out about ways they can further support their children to succeed at school. If you were unable to attend and would like to make another appointment please contact the office.

Maori Language Week

This week there has been an emphasis on children and teachers using Te Reo Maori in classrooms to celebrate Maori Language Week. Please talk to them about what they have been learning and maybe they can teach you some of the phrases we use at school! The focus this year is on food- a very popular topic! Kia ora.

Term 3 Inquiry Topic

Our topic for inquiry learning throughout the school for this term and term four, is called "Yum, Yum in My Tum". The focus of this unit is learning about the links between food and physical health, and how different cultural groups cook, eat and celebrate with food. You will be receiving further information from the different areas of the school during these terms about how your family, can support the learning at school.

Art Exhibition

In week nine on Tuesday 14 September, we will be holding an art exhibition, to display art work from all the classes at school. Further information will be given to you closer to the day, but please put this important date in your diary.

Bus Stop

Please remember that if you are dropping off children in the morning at the bus stop on Fairburn Road you are not allowed to park the car and leave it unattended. This is a safety issue and we would appreciate your support with helping to keep Fairburn children safe.

Otahuhu Schools Music Festival

This is being held at Otahuhu College on Wednesday 4 August. The festival starts at 7.30pm and it is a great opportunity for families to see items from all the local schools. Detailed information will be given to the children performing and tickets are available from school. Tickets **will not be sold on the night**. Please support this very enjoyable celebration of Otahuhu talent!

Principals' Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Principals' awards last week:

Week 1:

Important Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 4 August

Tuesday 17 August

Thursday 19 August

Tuesday 24 August

Thursday 9 September

Friday 10 September

Tuesday 14 September

Tuesday 14 September

Friday 24 September

Otahuhu Schools Music Festival

B.O.T. Meeting

Hockey Field day

Senior School Cross Country

Interschool Cross Country

Junior School Cross Country

Art Exhibition

B.O.T. Meeting

Last day of Term 3

Germaine Peterson & Maureen Woodard

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