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, warm greetings to you all.

Welcome back to school for Term 4. A warm welcome to the families who have just joined our school whanau, we look forward to getting to know you all. We also welcome Miss Bridget Wadham in to Room 4 for the rest of this year.

Reminders

This term, all students need to have a sunhat/cap to wear when they are outside. After today, students who do not have a hat will need to stay under the sheltered areas of the school during breaks. If you need to buy a new cap for your child (cost \$6), please see the office staff.

Fundraiser

On Friday 25th October, we are helping the Otahuhu Rotary Club with their fundraising for *World Polio Day*, which aims to eradicate Polio across the world. Polio is a disease that is nearly completely gone from NZ but is still very common in other parts of the world. This will be a "Purple Clothes Day" and we will be having a coin trail to raise money in support of this cause.

Auckland Transport

Over the last few years, Auckland Transport has been developing a traffic safety plan for our community. This is aimed at solving some of the traffic issues that may cause risky or dangerous situations for pedestrians — especially children. This includes monitoring the way in which cars are parked outside the school - in the last week of term, 9 people were ticketed for parking in the wrong places! It also includes better road crossings and safer roads close to the local schools. The engineers at Auckland Transport have planned a number of traffic safety projects including raising the pedestrian crossing in Fairburn Rd so it slows cars down. They are consulting with the community on this issue over the next week.



Car Restraints

On the 1st October, the law changed around car restraints for children from birth to 8 years old. If you are carrying children up to the age of 8 in your car, you need to be aware that each child must be secured in a properly fitted car restraint. This is a safety

issue for children just as the wearing of seatbelts is for adults travelling in cars. If you need to, you can hire car seats through Plunket. Your child will have a flyer outlining the important information for you. We have these pamphlets in English, Tongan, Samoan and Hindi. If you would like one in any of these languages, please ask your child's teacher or our office staff.

Term 4 2013 Dates

Thursday17th October Zoo Trip – Year 2 classes & Rm 7 Tuesday 22nd October **Board of Trustees Meeting** Tuesday 22nd October Rms 27&31 MOTAT Trip Friday 25th October Rotary "World Polio Day" Fundraiser Monday 28th October Labour Day – public holiday Wednesday 30th October Inter-school Cross Country Tuesday 5th November Year 3-6 School Athletics Thursday 7th November Otahuhu Intermediate Orientation Day Wednesday 13th November New Entrant Classes Tip Top FactoryTrip Thursday 14th November New Entrant Class Photos Thursday 14th November Inter-school Athletics Friday 15th November **Buddy Day** Friday 15th November Whole School Assembly Wednesday 18th December Last day of the school year Start of the 2014 school year Monday 3rd February 2014

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards in the last week of Term 3 – Jared Murphy, Henry Chen, Juliet Schaumkel, Hillary Faumuina, Chan Paeu, Salvin Gounder, Sisifo Nofoaluma, Tupou Veamatahau, Samuel Fruean, Khaos Lupo, AJ Vailolo, Lenin Simi, Sneha Gounder, Shafenior Lui, Marie Breen, Hien Tran, Jason Quach, Elijah Aiolupotea, Mamta Kumari, Mereana Tamaki, Trinity Josephs, Vinisha Chouhan, Semi Nabenu, Azalina Farook, Ruby-Jean Marsters, Annie Adjei, Novele Ashford-Tere, Christsoconus Ngariki, Quest Fenton, Uputaua Faaleagaina, Nebiath Tamu.

Frances Nelson Principal

