# FAIRBURN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Kia ora, Malo e Lelei, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Ni sa bula, 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**

A very warm welcome to our returning students and to the new ones and their families who have joined us this year. We look forward to working with you all. New staff to join us this year are Miss Rebecca Pyle in Rm 11, Miss Vanessa Martelli in Rm 15, Mr Simon Hale as groundsman/gardener, Miss Nuzah Munif as a Teacher Aide. Our Social Worker this year is Whaia Cecelia Taniwha. Welcome to all the new staff members.

A full staff list will be posted on our noticeboards for your information.

## **STATIONERY**

All students were given stationery lists to bring home yesterday, sales will start from today. It is important for all students to purchase their books as soon as possible, if the cost is a problem please see either Miss Passfield (Junior School) or Mrs Woodard (Middle and Senior School) so we can help work this through for you.

## **HATS**

A reminder that sunhats are a "must have and must wear" during Term 1 for every student. We are happy to see students wearing their own hat as long as it does cover their heads and provide protection from the sun on their face and neck. We do have hats for sale at school-bucket hats \$7 and caps \$6 both in a range of colours. Please clearly name your child's hat.

# NOTICES

# **SCHOOL ENROLMENT SCHEME**

Our enrolment zone was approved by the Ministry of Education and came in to effect from the beginning of this year. It means that our first priority is to have places in our school for families who live in our zone. The first priority after this will be for siblings of current pupils. Please let us know NOW if you have a child starting school this year.

#### **SWIMMING**

Swimming is part of the NZ curriculum and a very important part of your child's programme at school. We have a fabulous swimming pool on site. It suits both nervous beginners and capable swimmers because the design enables them all to safely and confidently use the pool. Please make sure that your child has their togs every swimming day.

# **SWiS**

Our school is fortunate to have a Social Worker on site every day. This year, our SWiS is Cecelia Taniwha (Whaia Cecelia). She has an office in the building adjacent to the staff carpark off Pukeora Rd. Whaia Cecelia is employed by the Anglican Trust for Women and Children (not part of CYF) so does not have their "statutory powers". She is happy to assist both family members and our students in a range of ways. When you come to school, we invite you to go and introduce yourself. her.

# **PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL**

We have three entrance points to our school- Pukeora Rd, Fairburn Rd and Petrie Place. It can become very congested at times so we ask you to take great care as you drive/walk around this area. Our neighbours also need to be able to get in and out of their driveways so please do not park across or in their driveways. The Police and Auckland Transport regularly come around both morning and afternoon and issue tickets for people parking illegally - it's very expensive if you receive a ticket for this!! More importantly, we all need to think of the safety of our students and being fair to our neighbours.

At 3pm, any students still at 8.55AM SCHOOL IN SESSION school waiting for parents will be moved to the "waiting area" which is the covered seating outside our library. They will be supervised there and you will need to come in and collect them by 3.15pm. This is for their safety. If you are going to be late picking up your child, please ring the school office so we know what is happening for them. If you know you are going to be late, you can enrol them in the SKiDS after-school care programme so you know where they are.

#### **LUNCH ROOM**

Our lunch room is open and selling a range of delicious food for lunch. The menu has changed a little so please

# **DATES FOR THE DIARY** TERM DATES FOR 2017

TERM 1 TUESDAY 31ST JANUARY TO THURSDAY 13TH APRIL

TERM 2 MONDAY 1ST MAY TO FRIDAY 7TH JULY

TERM 3 MONDAY 24TH JULY TO FRIDAY 29TH

SEPTEMBER

TERM 4 MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER TO THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER

## **SCHOOL HOURS**

8.15 AM FIRST BELL

10.40AM INTERVAL

11 AM SCHOOL IN SESSION

12.30PM LUNCH PLAY TIME

1.10PM LUNCH EATING TIME

1.20pm school in session

2.50PM SCHOOL FINISHES

ALL STUDENTS SHOULD BE PICKED UP OR ON THEIR WAY HOME BY 3PM PLEASE.

Regards

Frances Nelson

Principal

SKIDS After School Programme is our on-site opportunity for you to access child care after school finishes each day. Detailed information about the programme is available through the school office, or you can contact the SKIDS organizing team - Hazel or George at 0800 900 754 or 021-278-4462. You can also email them at **fairburn@skids.co.nz** or **george@skids.co.nz**