Fairburn School Newsletter

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Kia ora, Talofa, Namaste, Kia orana, Malo e Lelei, Hello everyone and a special welcome to all new families to Fairburn School.

Web Site

We are very pleased to inform you that our school web site continues to be updated with pictures and information about events happening at school. It is interesting, informative and easy to use. You can access the web site using the usual address- <u>www.fairburn.school.nz</u>

Keeping Children Healthy

This is the time of the year where there can be a lot of sickness with the beginning of winter weather! The Auckland Regional Public Health Service has put together a list of the best things you can do to stop the spread of any type of influenza virus. They are:

- Stay at home and away from others if you are sick
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue
- Put used tissues into a rubbish bin
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth- germs spread that way
- Be careful to wash hands often with soap and dry them thoroughlyhand hygiene is crucial: even when you start to feel better there is still a risk of infecting others, so keep to the **20/20 rule**- 20 seconds washing and 20 seconds drying
- Keep surfaces clean at home, school and work

Hopefully you and your children will remain well this term, but if your child is sick and needs to stay at home, please inform the school in the usual manner (by phone call to office or note for the teacher).

Board of Trustees Elections

Voting for the Board of Trustees closed at 12 noon on Tuesday 11 May. A big thank you to all those people who voted. Our Returning Officer will be counting the votes and we should be able to let you know the results next week. A special thank you goes to all the people who stood for election. It is wonderful to know that so many members of our community want to help the school at this level, and take on the important role of making the decisions that are in the best interests of our children and their families. We

look forward to meeting the new BOT and also wish to thank the outgoing BOT who have served our school so well over the last three years.

Slingshot

If you are a Slingshot customer you can choose to have a percentage of your monthly bill donated to the school at no extra cost. This money helps the school to buy extra resources for children. If you would like to do this you can log on at <u>www.slingshot.co.nz/schools</u> or phone 0800 89 2000. Further information is available at the school office. We would greatly appreciate you doing this, if you are able.

Principal's Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Principal's awards so far this term:

Important Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 18 th May	BOT meeting, new Board takes office
Tuesday 15 June	BOT meeting
Monday 28 June	School Reports home to parents
Tuesday 29 June	Winter Sports day for year 5&6
Wednesday 30 June	Three-way Parent/Teacher Conferences
Friday 2 July	Term 2 ends
Monday 19 July	Term 3 starts

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