Fairburn School Newsletter

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Kia ora, Talofa lava, Namaste, Kia orana, Malo e Lelei, Fakalofa lahi atu, Ni hao, Mauri, greetings to you all.

Welcome to our new students and their families, it's lovely to have you here with us. Our school assemblies are a really good time for family and whanau to come along and be part of our weekly celebrations of learning. Each class takes a turn to run the assembly and usually, this includes items from the class. Our Junior School assembly is each Thursday starting at around about 2.15pm and going through until the end of school. Our middle and senior school assembly is on Friday afternoons and starts around 2.10pm and goes through to the end of school.

This Friday, Room 32 are hosting the assembly and our special guest is singer and songwriter – SamRB, winner of the NZ Olympic Games Team song contest with "Stand Tall". Our students in Room 32 will be singing with SamRB and are part of a film clip of the song that will appear on TV as part of the Olympic Games television coverage. You are very welcome to join us for this special occasion on Friday.

Spare Clothing

With the wet weather now here, we need to keep a supply of spare clothing for children who have "accidents". We especially need spare "undies" for both boys and girls and in particular, small sizes. Also shorts and trousers in all sizes. If your child has grown out of any of these items we'd be glad to have them for emergencies.

Traffic Safety

Our school has a real problem with traffic at the beginning and end of school. Both Pukeora Rd and Fairburn Rd are extremely busy and don't provide very easy access for cars dropping off and picking up our students. We ask that you take extreme care when you are driving in the area of the school and make it safe for the children as they come and go each day. Please don't double park or park where there are yellow lines as this makes it dangerous and very frustrating for everyone else.

Thanks

We have been really lucky to have a group of Fairburn Whanau parents helping out with making teaching resources and other activities that benefit our students.

We really appreciate the work that these lovely volunteers do to help our students and staff. If you would like to join this group, please let us know.



Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have received merit awards over the last two weeks – Krrish Farmah, Rhonda

Singh, Nauemma Lutui, Mason Ngahe, Yalen-Sjaan Wong See, Aniora Hemara, Siosua Otani, Prudence Turuariki, Allerton Koloamatangi, Kepueli Latu, Simran Singh, Arekahanara Bradley, Leilani Perese, Avneet Singh, Sunset Tapukalanga, Orlaith Nicholls, Haini Mau, Sepuloni Koloa, Ameliyah Neria, Aki Halatoafa, Afitu Kailea, Shweta Gounder, Mavae Sefesi, Meliame Masi, Shanil Chand, Caroline Tuuau, Stephen Heatley, Edward Tapukalanga. Well done, they have all made a good start to the term.

"Gladiators of Change" parenting evenings return to Otahuhu in 2012, This FREE event run over two nights, is for parents across Auckland and will be hosted once again by Tofiga Fepulea'i. The Father's night kicks off on May 9th, with food being served from 6:30pm, with the Mother's night following on May 10th.

Term Dates:

Wednesday 9th May Gladiators of Change – Fathers Night Thursday 10th May Gladiators of Change - Mothers Night Tuesday 15th May Board of Trustees Meeting 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th May Year 3&4 "Climbing Ropes" Woodhill Forest Monday 21 – Friday 25th May Dental Van at Fairburn School 22nd and 23rd Mav Hearing Tests - Ear Van 29th and 30th May Hearing Test - Ear Van Public Meeting on Charter Schools @ 7pm Thursday 31st May Monday 4th June Oueens Birthday – holiday Wednesday 6th June Hearing Tests - Ear Van Tuesday 19th June Hearing Tests - Ear Van Monday 25th June Reports home to parents Tuesday 26th June Three-Way Conferences Tuesday 26th June Board of Trustees Meeting Wednesday 27th June Three-Way Conferences Fridav 29th June Last day of Term 2 Monday 16th July Term 3 starts

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