



FAIRFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Caregiver,

A warm welcome to all our new students and families: Austin, Patrick, Tiaki, Nelson, Aidan, Staci, Roman, Mesina, Manaia R, JahKaya, Georgeous and Manaia A.

A special assembly and morning tea will be held in Week 7 to welcome all our new families.

STATIONERY PACKS

All students have been issued with their stationery.

If you have not yet paid, this is now overdue.

Payments can be made by CASH, CHEQUE or INTERNET BANKING. (Sorry, No eftpos)

If you need to spread you payments e.g. \$10.00 per week, please talk to the office ladies.

If paying by Internet banking, please ensure you give clear details so we can your identify your child/family and payment type. If you know your child's Room number, use this also.

Example: Particulars Code Reference
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Stationery is a compulsory item and invoices will be continually sent home until payment is made.

SUNHATS

Our regulation school sunhats are compulsory to be worn in Terms 1 & 4. Children who do not have a regulation hat must stay in a designated shady area during interval and lunchtime. Hats cost \$12.00. This price is heavily subsidised by the Board of Trustees.

SCHOOL ACTIVITY DONATION

A big THANK YOU to those who have already paid the school activity donation.

This year our activity donation is \$40.00 per child or \$100.00 per family. The activity donation is used to help supplement costs associated with sports, cultural, art and craft and other activities not funded by the Ministry of Education.

All payments to be made to the school office please. REMEMBER all donations are tax deductible.

JUNIOR SCHOOL MARAE TRIP

Our junior classes trips to the Fairfield College Marae are as follows:

Rooms 5 and 16 Wednesday 27th February leaving school at 10:30am and returning by 1:30pm.

Rooms 9 and 17 Thursday 28th February leaving school at 9:00am and returning by 11:30am.

Cost = A gold coin per student. (\$1 or \$2)

Every student must have returned their consent/health form to enable them to go on this excursion.



SCHOOL HOURS 8:40am - 2:30pm

ALL students should be attending school from 8:40am - 2:30pm.

We have a number of parents who are taking their children home early to "beat the traffic" or because it suits them.

NO student should be leaving before 2:30pm unless there is a very good reason (e.g. Hospital appointment).

Students who do leave before 2:30pm must be signed out by an adult at the office.

SENIOR BEACHED

The BeachEd programme is being held for the senior classes on the following dates:

Rooms 8 & 10 Monday 4th March

Rooms 4 & 6 Tuesday 5th March

Rooms 14 & 15 Wednesday 6th March

All permission and payment must be received no later that the day prior to the trip.



WHANAU SURVEY

As part of their ongoing work, the leadership team in the school is interested in understanding more about your perceptions of your child's/children's experiences in the school. This survey is an opportunity for them to find out about your perceptions and views. The survey should only take about 10 minutes to complete. Your participation in this survey is voluntary and your responses are anonymous. The responses will be collated and used to provide evidence to inform decision making about next steps with regard to professional development in your school.

ONLY 1 SURVEY PER FAMILY IS TO BE FILLED OUT.

If you have any queries or concerns about the survey please talk to the Principal or Deputy Principals in your school.

Please use the following web address to fill out the survey: <https://tinyurl.com/Fairfield-Prim-whanau-2019>

Thank you for your participation.

You may remember that teachers and principals took strike action twice last year to send a message to the Government that more needed to be done to fix the teacher shortage and make teaching a more sustainable and attractive profession.

After conversations with government in January, our union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, has agreed to return to formal negotiations with the Ministry. The Government has continued to state that there is no

more money to settle the agreements but we are continuing to campaign for a quality public education for every child.

We believe that winning more time to teach, a significant pay jolt to attract and keep people in teaching, and better resourcing for children with additional learning needs is as important as ever.

Any progress in negotiations will be reported to teachers and principals at paid union meetings around the country in the week of March 18-22nd. These meetings will be held during school time.

Public polling has showed continued strong support for what we are trying to achieve for our students and the future of the teaching profession. Parents in particular see the struggles we already face in hiring teachers and finding relievers when teachers are sick.

We greatly appreciate your continued support as we continue our campaign to ensure every child gets the best possible teaching and learning.



Our teachers will be attending a paid union meeting on 20th March.

On this day, school will finish at lunchtime (12:15pm) and children will be released to go home.

Supervision will be available until 2:30pm for any student who is unable to go home.

Further notice will come home closer to the date.

SCHOOL BANKING



First Credit Union provides a school banking service to all pupils at Fairfield Primary.

Getting started is easy—just pick up an application pack from our school office, fill it out and put it in the GREEN banking deposit box. If your children are already banking—great! School banking is collected on a Thursday morning each week and bank books are returned to students on Friday or Monday each week.

READING TOGETHER PROGRAMME

Our school would like to offer this fantastic opportunity to parents and caregivers.

The programme consists of 4-6 sessions which will provide you with valuable tools to support your child with reading at home. These informal sessions will be held at school on a Monday between 9:00am and 10:00am commencing in Week 8. There is no cost to attend. All resources are FREE, and morning tea is provided.

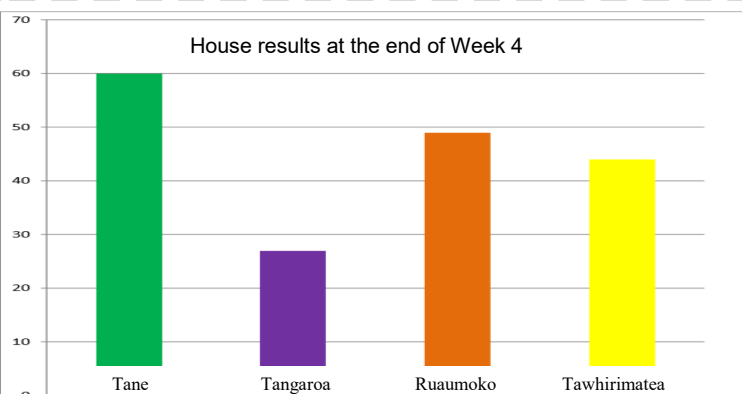


Keen to come along? Cut out and return the slip below to our school office a.s.a.p. and we will contact you.



YES, I would like to come along to the Reading Together Programme.

Parent / Caregiver Name: _____ Phone: _____



Kind regards

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