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# **Newsletter No 1: 3rd February 2017**

Dear Parent / Caregiver,

Welcome back to everyone for the start of a new school year. The year has started well with both children and staff settling in very quickly.

A warm welcome to all our new students and families: Uru, Oliver, Kaiana, VeydaBlu, Gloria, Shaedi-Steiney, Steven, Benioni, Paradise, Harlem, Miranda, Sadida, Jonah, Siosiana, Talaleu, Matini, Saimone, Hori, Ngatiwai, Elisha, Innocence, Alex, Dylan, Kurshed, Theo, Lupe, Aelita, Te Arai, Matariki, Cashius, Te Ahika, Alina, Makailah, Harley, Anthony, Qyntinn, Jesse, Tamainu, Maia, Maserati and Tiarah.

Welcome back to: Te Kakenga, Te Rata, Layne, Alexus, Remynes, Passion Lee, Spirc, Yusseff, Mya and Kahurangi. A special assembly and morning tea will be held later this term to welcome all our new families.

A warm welcome is also extended to our new teacher - Whaea Tamara.

#### STATIONERY PACKS

Stationery is compulsory for all students and must be purchased from the school. This ensures consistency and quality throughout the school and ensures every child has the correct requirements.

Our pack price is extremely competitive with all major stationery suppliers.

This year the Board of Trustees are trialling a new system whereby the stationery packs are already in the classrooms and all students will be provided with their stationery pack at the beginning of the school year.

Prompt payment is expected by the end of Week 2. (10th February)

After this date, invoices will be sent home with students who have not paid.

Payments can be made by CASH, CHEQUE or INTERNET BANKING.

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

Stationery
Year 1,2 & 3 \$35.00 per pack
Year 4,5 & 6 \$30.00 per pack

Well done to all those who pre-ordered and paid for their stationery packs before the start of the school year.

Everyone who prepaid was entered into a draw to have the cost of their stationery reimbursed.

Congratulations to Kaya C in Room 9, who was this years lucky draw winner.

# **SUNHATS**

Our regulation school sunhats are compulsory in Terms 1 & 4. Children who do not have a regulation hat must stay in a designated shady area during interval and lunchtime. Hats are \$10.00. This price is heavily subsidised by the Board of Trustees. Hats are available from the school office.

### SCHOOL HOURS 8:45am - 2:30pm

Children who arrive after the 8:45am bell must report to the office to collect a late slip. This ensures they are taken off the absentees and you will not be contacted by the school. Children must be picked up promptly at 2:30pm. Staff have regular after school meetings and professional development sessions and are unable to supervise children who have not been collected. The only exception is when children need to wait everyday to go home with a sibling at the Intermediate. These children wait with the ground clearance duty teacher at the front of the school until the Intermediate finishes at 3:00pm.

# **MORNING DROPPING OFF**

Parents are encouraged to use our drive through for dropping off students in the morning. Cars enter through our main school gates, follow the arrows and drive to the <u>rear of the school</u> to the drop off zone. Cars then exit through the Fairfield hall carpark. To enable the continuous flow of traffic, drivers must remain in their vehicles at all times. If you are intending to leave your vehicle, you will need to park in the Fairfield hall carpark. The maximum speed through the drive through is 5km/hr.

CHILDREN

THE DRIVE THROUGH IS CLOSED IN THE AFTERNOONS. YOU MUST EITHER PARK IN THE FAIRFIELD HALL CARPARK OR ALONG CLARKIN ROAD AND WALK INTO THE SCHOOL GROUNDS TO COLLECT CHILDREN.

# **ABSENTEES**

It is essential that you notify the school if your child is absent. You can text 021502978, phone 8556284, send a note with a sibling or call into the office. Fairfield Primary has a strict attendance policy. Coming to school is absolutely imperative and children should only be absent if they are sick or have a very good reason. You can expect a phone call, text or home visit if your child's absence has not been explained.

## **BEACH ED**

In Week 3, our senior classes (Rooms 2,3,6,10,11,14 & 18) will be participating in the Beach Ed programme in Raglan. Detailed notices were sent home yesterday with when the classes will be going. PAYMENTS AND CONSENT FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BEFORE TRIP DAY.

NO MONEY OR CONSENT WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY OF THE TRIP.

#### **SWIMMING**

### Swimming has now begun. Please refer to the swimming timetable on the back of the February calendar.

Aquatics is a compulsory part of the NZ Health and Physical Education Curriculum and it is expected that all students will swim unless they have a medical reason. A note from home must explain why a student is unable to swim.

Swimmers are expected to wear: Girls - Swimming Togs Boys - Shorts above the knee

Please bring a towel and have a plastic bag or swim bag for wet gear. Our pool water is tested three times daily and we receive a weekly analysis report on water quality to comply with health regulations.

#### SCHOOL ACTIVITY DONATION

# A big THANK YOU to the earlybirds 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 deductable.

#### **CLASS NOTICES AND NEWSLETTERS**

Newsletters are sent home every alternate Friday and notices come home as required. At the beginning of each month you will also receive a calendar. This will give you a brief outline of school events for the month ahead.

We ask that you regularly check your child's schoolbag for class notices and newsletters and return any forms or permission slips promptly. If you feel you may have missed a Newsletter or notice, please ask at the office.

#### 2017 STAFF LIST AND CLASS ORGANISATON

**Principal** Anne Johnson **Deputy Principal** Rob Newton **Deputy Principal** Lisa Deane **Assistant Principal** Gene Duncan

**Administrators** Sandy Koning & Vicki Reihana

Reading Recovery Teacher Lynda Luke

Mefi Naufahu, Lynda Luke **Teacher Release** 

Support Staff Team Leader Chris Trevithick Caretaker Wayne Gollop Niki Kusalic Gardener

Support Staff: Allie Gray-Ure, Janet Goldsmith,

Donna Hall, Leonie Butler, Lisa Ross,

Zainub Noori

# **BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEMBERS**

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Principal: Anne Johnson Staff Representative: Mefi Naufahu

Karen Knight, Emily Ranginui, Simon McQueen, Members:

Gavin Pooley

Minute Secretary: Chris Trevithick

ROOM	TEACHER	YEAR LEVEL
2	Whaea Shannon	4/5/6
3	Mrs Baledrokadroka	4/5/6
4	Whaea Toni	3
5	Heidi Whittaker	1
6	Mr McDonald	4/5/6
7	Mrs Stucki	2/3
8	Mrs Wiske	1/2
9	Whaea Jacqui	2/3
10	Whaea Hera	4/5/6
11	Mr Baird	4/5/6
12	Whaea Tamara	2/3
14	Whaea Pauline	4/5/6
15	Whaea Larissa	2/3
16	Mrs Albiston	1
18	Matua Ohlson	4/5/6

### FAIRFIELD LEARNER VALUES

The following students have won a \$5.00 canteen voucher in our weekly Fairfield Learner Values draw.

Week 1 Taylah-Shaye - Room 3 - I respect people, places and property

## YEAR 3/4 TOUCH RUGBY

There may be a few spots become available in our Year 3/4 Touch team this term.

If you have a Year 3 or 4 child who is keen to play and you are able to transport them to Swarbrick Park on a Thursday after school, please see Whaea Sandy in the office.

Our Breakfast programme has started up again. Breakfast is every morning between 8:15am - 8:40am in the L.S.C.

Along with providing a healthy start to the day children are also finding this a great way to take a responsible approach to breakfast. We look forward to seeing your child at breakfast.



# **TERM DATES FOR 2017**

Term 1 31st January - 13th April

Term 2 1st May - 7th July

24th July - 29th September Term 3 Term 4

16th October - 15th December

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(to be confirmed)

Kind regards

Anne Johnson **PRINCIPAL**