



Newsletter 2011
Friday 13th May

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora tatou

A special welcome to our new students and their families:

Charlie Wallis, Cameron Nua, Isaiah Nua, Anita Iese, Ayden Felton, Miguel Domingo, Amelie Birchenough, Ginji Nishikwa, Althea Lagudas, Maia Sunckell, Daniel Holding and Monticha Hentua.

STAFF

Welcome back Tracey Tetley teaching in Room 21 and Christine Mardell teaching in Room 18. Our new entrants classes are filling up with five year olds and we anticipate starting another class later in the year as we like to keep these numbers as small as possible.

In Room 1 from the 27th of May Mrs Ramsbottom will teach Mon-Thurs with Mrs Singleton returning for Fridays.

We wish Mrs Olsen and Mrs Yamamoto all the best with their maternity leave.

Miss Crump will be on one year's Leave of Absence from the 15th of July and we are fortunate to have Mrs Leah Nairn to teach in Room 23.,



FACT-A-THON

On Friday the 20th of May we will be testing and marking the children on their NZ Facts for our fundraiser the Fact-a-thon. On Friday, the students can wear their uniform with one item (eg: hat, ribbon, t-shirt) of their House colour. Sponsorship money can then come in from the Monday onwards to the class teacher.

CHILD APPOINTMENTS

When picking up your children during the school day, please report to the office first. For Health and Safety reasons, you are required to sign your child out. You will be issued a slip to hand to the teacher when collecting your child. If possible, it is best to avoid the lunch time break (12:30-1:15pm) as it is easier to locate your child in the classroom than in the busy playground.

BUILDINGS

Monday 13th of June is the latest "hand-over" date of our new administration/staffroom block. We will have an official opening later when all the furnishings, furniture and trimmings have arrived and fitted (Late Term 2 or early Term 3)

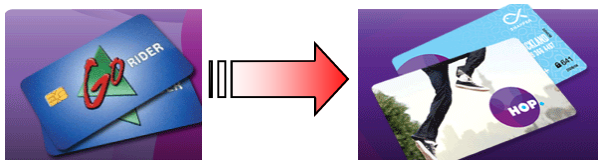
An important aspect will be the return of the computer suite where the students will have 18 new computers to work with as soon as possible after this date. Mrs Kerry McLeod will be our teacher in charge of the suite, organising timetables and appropriate educational learning programmes for each class/team.



Auckland Transport brings you "HOP"

HOP is Auckland's new ticketing system that you can use to pay for public transport. HOP Cards are also the easy way to pay for lots of other everyday items.

From May 8th HOP will be launched and over the following weeks will be rolled out on Waka Pacific, Go West then followed by Metrolink and LINK and will replace the **Go Rider** card.



SOCCER

Good Luck to the Year 7/8 Soccer Teams representing us at the Eastern Zone Soccer Competition.



Calendar

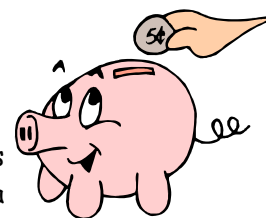
10 May	Combined PTA/Fundraising Group/Board of Trustees Meeting
20 May	NZ Fact-a-thon
24 May	Board of Trustees Meeting 6:30pm (May)
7 June	PTA Meeting 7:30pm
9 June	Team 5 (Yrs 7 and 8) Promotion Evening (for parents of students in years 5 and 6)
13 June	Fund Raising Group 7:30pm (FRG)
14 June	Board of Trustees Meeting
20 June	Book Week
21 June	Board of Trustees Meeting (June)
29 June	Cinderella Ball 6:00pm (Team 1)
30 June	Cinderella Ball 6:00pm (Team 2)
5 July	PTA Meeting 7:30pm / Fund Raising Group Meeting 7:30pm (FRG)
6 July	Parent/Teacher Evening 2:15-8:30pm—Teams 4 and 5 (Years 5-8)
7 July	Parent/Teacher Evening 2:15-8:30pm—Teams 1, 2 and 3 (Years 1-4)
12 July	Board of Trustees Meeting (July)
14 July	Mufti Day
15 July	Term 2 Ends 2:45pm

Here's to a great Term 2!

Chris Magner

Student Banking

A reminder that banking is carried out in the Library on a Friday morning. If students would like to open an account with the National Bank, forms can be collected on Friday morning.



ESOL FOR ADULTS

Greenlane Christian Centre has free classes to provide help to those who struggle with the English language. Participants can start at any time during the school term and are for anyone, regardless of ability. Further information can be obtained from Cynthia Wallbridge at dcwallbridge@maxnet.co.nz

