



12th August 2011

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back to the Winter term. We have a very busy term lined up for our children and hope you will enjoy coming in and sharing many aspects of this with us. Firstly, we are preparing for our very own Ellerslie School Flower Show in September (19th & 20th for the Team One children). This will be a showcase for some of the work we have been doing in class. Letters will be coming home nearer the time with more details. Our first Unit this term is a Science topic looking at the Life cycle of plants and will be linked into the Flower Show; Team One's theme being '**Farmer MacGregors Garden**'.

As the Rugby World Cup approaches, our classes are getting ready to follow the progress of their adopted teams and finding out about their team's country. The whole school is involved and it will be an exciting few weeks.

Within our team we have several children with serious food allergies and we ask that parents avoid sending food with egg or nuts in their children's lunchboxes. We also request that birthday cakes and lollies be kept as home treats and not be sent to school.

At this time of year there are many coughs and colds and tummy bugs around. If your child is not well or you suspect he/she is coming down with something please do not send them to school but keep them safe and warm at home... the best place for anyone who is not well! We remind parents to ring the office to let us know when children are away sick.

Thank you to all those parents who came in to our Parent teacher interviews last term and we trust these were helpful . If you have any concerns about your child please come in to talk with their teacher or myself as Team leader. We all want your child to be happy and settled at school.

Linda Sperring (Team One Leader)

