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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Caregivers – Kia Ora Koutou

Swimming

Swimming is a part of our school compulsory P.E. programme. We aim to have your child confident and safe in the water. To do this it is important children bring their togs and swim everyday. This year the Board of Trustees purchased a pool cover. This special cover helps to warm the water during sunny periods when the cover is on and at night it retains the warmth in the pool. Currently the pool temperature is between 26 to 28 degrees. The pool is kept very clean by our automated chlorine system and daily cleaning by our caretaker. Please make sure your child gets the maximum advantage and enjoyment from this wonderful facility by reminding them to bring togs and towel to school everyday. If your child is unable to swim for medical reasons the class teacher would appreciate a note – or you can phone/text the office.

Meet the Teachers – Share Your Child’s Strengths and Interests

You will be familiar with the expression *“It takes a whole village to raise a child”* In this same context, **Learning is a partnership** between teachers at school and the parents/caregivers of their pupils. Together both can maximise the opportunities, accelerate the learning and support each other. To help your child and their teacher please come to school to meet them and share your child’s strengths and interests. A greater understanding of your child and whanau has a positive impact on teaching and learning. Come and have a look at the classrooms - some wonderful improvements were made over the holidays with property and furniture up-grades that we would proudly like to show you.

Coming Events	
12/2/13	Meet the Teachers
14/2/13	PTA Meeting



Meet the Teacher this Tuesday February 12
Come to the Classroom(s) –anytime between 3.00-5.00pm
Or
Come to the Hall anytime between 5.30-6.30pm
Your children and pre-schoolers are welcome to come too.
Nau Mai Haere Mai – we look forward to seeing you.

Junior Team Years 0-3	Senior Team Years 4-6
Paula Malins, Team Leader Room 8: Puti Walmsley Room 11: Pat Thaver Room 12: Lynette Hawkes Room 13: Anne Hunter Room 16: Debbie Dawson Room 17: Joh Stevens	Room1: Margaret Aiono, Team Leader Room 4: Aimee Ratana Room 5: Stacey Hose Room 6: Kelly Kells Room 7: Ris Randell Room 15: Hare Nikora

Release Teachers

About once every week your child’s teacher is released from class to undertake planning and preparation. During this time they are taught by an experienced release teacher. This year your child’s release teacher will be either Matua Rauf or Whaea Emma both of whom will teach some Art during this time. Release begins next week – so you will know what your child is talking about when they share their day’s activities with you.

PTA MEETING

Thursday 14 February
3.00 pm in the Staffroom
ALL WELCOME

Kids Ablaze Club

This lunchtime activity is run by Eastside Church and offers Christian religious education in a fun setting. It will be held again this year - every Thursday lunchtime in our school Hall. All children are able to attend. Those who had consent forms last year can continue to attend – and those who would like to join must get a signed consent from parents/caregivers. Children can get a form from the Hall on Thursday lunchtimes or from our school office.

Parenting Programme.

Incredible Years for Parents (IYP) is an evidence-based parenting programme which focuses on building positive relationships between parents and their children and supports parents to explore new strategies for managing their children's challenging behaviours. RTLB Sue Taylor and Lei Sang will be facilitating a programme this term. For further information contact Sue at Fairfield Int 8559718 ext 842 and Lei at Insoll Av 8555067 and also on Meet the Teacher Day at Insoll Ave School.

School Canteen

HOT FOOD

Metro Mince	\$2.20
Monty Mince	\$2.20
Pizza	\$2.20
American Hot Dogs	\$2.20
Murphy Hot Bites	\$2.20
Mini Mince	\$2.00

SNACKS

Afghans	\$1.00
Choc Chip	\$1.00
Smart Cookies	\$1.00
Corn Chips	\$1.80

DRINKS

600 ml Pump	\$1.80
Flavoured Milk	\$1.50



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Te Iti Rearea Rugby League Club Muster

Saturday 9th February from 10am to 1pm, Raymond Park, Fairview Downs, Hamilton. Come and join a champion development club. We are looking for under 6's, under 9's, under 10's, under 13's and under 14's. Please bring current birth certificate or a copy of your passport along with boots and heaps of water. For more info contact Jay on 0274282083.

Westfield Chartwell Teddy Bears Picnic

Come and join in the fun at the Westfield Chartwell Teddy Bears Picnic – "Rescue Teddy" Extravaganza. Dancing, magic and lots of action for the whole family. Come dressed as your favourite Rescuer/Hero for your chance to win some fantastic prizes.

Pack a picnic and some sun shade, then enjoy all the non stop entertainment, spot prizes and rides on offer. The first 500 families get a FREE goody bag!

When: 17 February, 10am – 2pm

Where: Hamilton Gardens

Tickets: \$2 per person (under 1's FREE) or \$10 family

All proceeds go to the Hamilton Parents Centre

www.hamiltonparents.org.nz

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Linda and Staff