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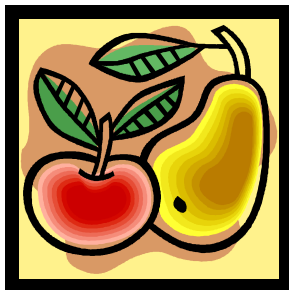
NEWSLETTER # 12

8th May 2008

Hi Parents/Caregivers

Kia ora koutou

Welcome to an exciting Term 2 and welcome to all the new families that have joined our school community. If you get a chance to walk around the classrooms please do so as there are some great displays to be seen.



FRUIT

It's the time of year when gardens are bursting with an excess of fruit. If you happen to be one of those fortunate families overburdened with more fruit than you can cope with e.g. feijoas, grapefruit, lemons etc, a couple of our school parents would be more than happy to pick it up and bring it to school for sharing out amongst families. Please ring Jess 2927472, Mandy 9057775 or the school 2928205

TERM TWO EVENTS

First day of term – Monday 5th May

Board meeting – 19th May

Year 7 vaccinations – 21st May

Inter-school cross country – 27th May

School photos – 30th May

Queen's Birthday – 2nd June

School cross country – 13th June

Board meeting – 23rd June

Speech finals – 27th June

Last day of term – 4th July

CROSS COUNTRY

Yes it's that time again where we train for the cross country event. It is important that children have the right gear to run in e.g. shorts and soft soled shoes. Bare feet are also good if the grass is being used to practice on.

CHOCOLATES

We will be selling chocolates again as a fundraiser for school. We would like to supply each of our seven classrooms with a digital camera and these are worth \$220 each. So our aim is to raise at least \$1500. In the past we have given each family one carton of chocolates to sell and each child/children's name goes into a draw for a prize. We will send a separate notice home with your child asking your permission to sell chocolates.

TEACHER RESIGNATION

Grant Reid in Room 2 has won a position over in the Hutt Valley and will be leaving us as soon as we can find a suitable replacement which will be in about week four to six of this term. We are currently advertising and we will inform parents as soon as we have appointed a new teacher. We wish Grant all the best in his new adventure and thank him for his input over the time he has been with us.

GARDENS FOR OUR CHILDREN

We will soon have two new raised gardens where our children can learn about gardening – from the germination of seeds through to the harvesting and eating of their own produce. But before that can happen we will need some help from parents. We plan to have two working bees – the first to mark out the beds and

dig out the kikuyu; and the second to build the structures. The children will be involved in moving the compost from our old worm farm into the gardens and helping set up a new more user-friendly composting system. If you can help please talk to Sue Johnston at school or phone Hannah Zwartz on 9059062. The times will be either afternoons or at the weekend – whatever suits the most parents. Many thanks to Nga Uruora for donating the compost bins and to Barbara McDonald who is starting to work with Junior school children at the nursery this week.



NETBALL

Netball begins this Saturday 10th May and once again we would like to thank the teachers, parents and helpers for their support during the season. We appreciate the time spent transporting players to the netball courts and getting them there on time. With that in mind would you please have your children there ½ hour before their game starts. Thanks

NETBALL DRAW 10TH MAY

Time	Team	vs	Team	Court
10.30	Paek Whero	vs	Kapanui b	6
10.30	United Flames	vs	Paek Kowhai	5
9.00	Waikanae Tuis	vs	Paek Pango	Brien's electrical
8.30	Paek Kakariki	vs	Kappa Shooters	9

SCHOOL LUNCHES

As we said last term we are introducing some new products to the Friday lunches and increasing the cost of our usual pies and sausage rolls. All of our products are

purchased from a company called Focus who supplies us with Goodtime foods. Their pies have the Heart Foundation tick of approval and the wraps have an everyday rating under the Food & Beverage schools guideline.

Please make sure your child's name, Room number and lunch order is written clearly on the outside of an envelope. There is a box for lunch orders outside the school office for envelopes to be delivered.

FRIDAY LUNCHES

Pies: Steak & Cheese, Mince and Potato top. \$2.50

Sausage rolls; \$2.50

Wraps: Mince and Cheese or Butter Chicken. \$3.00

Pizza: Hawaiian: \$2.00

COMMUNITY NEWS

- Artful Kids. Term 2. Tuesday or Thursday 3.30 – 5.30. Esteem and technique based art classes for 6 yrs to teens. Rachel 9058219 places limited.
- This term we are organising a Unihoc Junior League competition. the Unihoc competition will be played at Mungavin Unihoc is a combination of field hockey and ice hockey, played inside a gymnasium. The rules have been modified to suit Hall in Porirua East (next to the motorway) and Ngati Toa hall at the domain in Mana. We can only accept a limited amount of teams so please get your entries in quick, first in first served!! But no later than next Thursday 15th May. We will be starting the week beginning 19th May. Any questions please contact Paul on 2373811 or 3843754
- 8th Grade Soccer. Any players wishing to join please see Tracey or phone 2927121
- Girls give guiding a go. Brownies 6 to 8 ½ meet at 4:30 to 5:45. Guides 8 ½ up meet at 6:00 to 7:15 at the Scout Hall Campbell Park on Thursday afternoons. Ring Pam 021 1666953 or Ena 2928655 or just come along.

