



KIA ORA GREETINGS

We are approaching the end of the school year and have a very busy fortnight ahead. Soon your child will receive their end of year report. These reports are a different format from previous years as they incorporate the National Standards in Reading, Writing and Mathematics as well as the Key Competencies from the NZ Curriculum.

Choir – Last night our choir performed at the Town Hall as part of the Auckland Primary Principals' Festival of Music. It was an outstanding show and our choir performed brilliantly. Mr Parish and Mrs Pretorius did an outstanding job training and preparing the choir and it was great to see so many parent supporters.



Westpac Helicopter Challenge - Thank you to everyone who has supported this fundraising activity. There are some great prizes up for grabs including the flights on the helicopter! A final reminder that to be in to win the prizes all money must be returned to school by tomorrow.

End of Term – 2012 Start.- Previous notices have incorrectly shown the last day of school. Please note that our school year will end of Thursday 15th December a 3.00pm (not Wednesday!) School will open for tuition in 2012 on Wednesday 1st February 2012. If you have a new student you need to enrol for the new year you can do this now or on Tuesday 31st January.

School End of Year Concert - Thursday 8th December at 6.00pm. if the weather is fine it will be on the stage facing the field. Bring a blanket and a picnic and enjoy the evening.

Stationery, Activity Fee and School Donation for 2012 - These will remain the same as this year. School Donation \$15.00 per term, or \$50.00 per year if paid in Term 1. Activity Fee \$25.00 per term, or \$70.00 per year if paid in Term 1. Stationery \$35.00 per pack for Yr. 1& 2, \$45.00 per pack for Yr. 3-6.

2012 Classes - We are in the process of organising our classes for next year. I am aware that sometimes students don't always work well with certain other students or respond better to certain teacher. If you have a particular preference for your child's class in 2012 please let me know over the next week or so.

Boys' Class 2012 - Any parents who would like to apply to have their son must have their reply slips in by the end of the week. You should have had a letter about it sent home a couple of weeks ago. There will be a parent meeting for those interested in the Boys' Class tomorrow at 3:30 here in the staffroom at school. Feel free to come along and find out what it is all about.

2012

Camp 2012 - Next year will see our Year 5 and 6 children heading off to camp at Carey Park from 30 April – 4 May. The cost of camp is \$170. You should have received a letter about the \$20 deposit needed and also to indicate if you would be available to help out for the week. Please get this reply slip and \$20 deposit to school as soon as possible.



WELL DONE TO ROOM 12 FOR WINNING THE ATTENDANCE TROPHY FOR THE FINAL TIME THIS YEAR.

A big Thank You to Mrs Raju's husband for donating the fantastic Library furniture and cushions – Mr Raju designed and had his company make all of the items especially for us and they look amazing.



Coming Events

Week 6	Thurs 1 st Dec	Westpac sponsor money due back Boys Class Parent Meeting 3.30pm
	Fri 2 nd Dec	Westpac Presentation Day 11.30am
Week 7	Tues 6 th Dec	Yr. 5/6 Tree Adventures Trips
	Wed 7 th Dec	Yr. 5/6 Tree Adventures Trips Yr. 3&4 Kiwi Valley Trip
	Thurs 8 th Dec	End of Year Evening Concert
	Fri 9 th Dec	Helicopter Day End of Year Disco
Week 8	Mon 12 Dec	BOT Meeting 7.30pm
	Tues 13 th Dec	Positive Power Day Owen's Transport BBQ Day
	Thurs. 15 th Dec – NB –Date Change	Principal's Assembly 2.00pm School Finishes for the Year at 3.00pm
Term 1 2012	Wed 1 st Feb	First day back at school for students

**Cliff Hughes
Principal**

Marching Team. Looking for girls to join our Marching Teams. Under 12 & Kiwi Team from 6 Yrs. to 12 Yrs. Under 16 Team from 10 Yrs. to 16 Yrs. Join our Team Contact: Jennifer on: 021 186 9685 Jennifer on: 09 838 0330 Gail On: 027 5080 292 Or Text - Land Line Number to ring you back. Alternatively E-mail: royalguards@xtra.co.nz

You're their lifeguard - Keep your Child safe at the pool this summer!



Over the Summer School holidays many families will be enjoying all the fun and excitement local swimming pools have to offer.

Water Safety NZ and NZ Recreation Association would like to remind families about the Pool Alone policy that public pools in New Zealand are required to adhere to:

Children under 8 must be actively supervised by a caregiver 16 years or over. Actively supervised means watching your child at all times; Able to provide immediate assistance*

Lifeguards are an important safety feature, but they are not intended to replace the close supervision of parents or caregivers.

Tragically many drowning deaths occur in the few seconds that parents are distracted. The role of a lifeguard is to ensure people are safe in the water - they are not babysitters.

Remembering this when you take your family for a swim will help our pools to remain safe and fun places for everyone to enjoy.

*Please note that some pools have a stricter policy than the one above



Pacific in the Park- 2nd December – Moire Park, Massey, 3-9pm

Pacific in the Park is a Free Family event with a pacific flavour! We have great information and food stalls, and chances to win fabulous prizes. Come along and bring your picnic blanket, and enjoy great entertainment from Three Houses Down, Ria, Hypnotics, Lil Saintz, Karnel Williams and others. There are bouncy castles and activities for the kids. Bring the whole family for a great evening!