

Monday 12 October 2009

Newsletter 31/09

Dear parents

Welcome Back !

Summer Uniform

All children are officially required to be in their summer uniform after Labour Weekend. However we do phase this in, so we are happy for children to start wearing their summer uniform (including sunhat) from now on. The *uniform shop* will be open this Thursday as usual.

Teacher Only Day

A reminder that we are having a **Teacher Only Day** next week on **Friday 23 October**. This day will be spent further developing our school curriculum. There will be **no school** on this day.

Please note that "Kiwi Kidz" will be running an all day care programme on Friday 23 October. See notice below.

Touch

The Eastern Junior Touch competition starts this coming Sunday afternoon at Lloyd Elsmore. We have eleven teams taking part-an amazing effort. Best wishes to the more than one hundred of our children who are participating, and thank you to the organisers, and to all those helping run, coach and manage the teams.

Our Children are Superstars!

Congratulations to **Renee Page**, Room 14, who competed very successfully in the Taekwon-do Nationals in Christchurch during the holidays. Renee won two bronze medals in the Green belt division (girls), a fantastic effort.

Congratulations also to **Nicole Meyer** (Room 14) and **Charlotte Mason** (Room 15), who tied for 9th when competing in the Aerobics Nationals in Hamilton! Well done girls!

Scholastic Books-Issue 7

Final day for ordering is Thursday 22 October.

Coming Events

<i>Today</i>	PTA meeting 7.30pm
<i>Wednesday 14 October</i>	BOT 7.00pm
<i>Friday 16 October</i>	40 Y5 & Y6 children in tournament at Howick College
<i>Sunday 18 October</i>	Touch starts
<i>Friday 23 October</i>	Teacher Only Day
<i>Monday 26 October</i>	Labour Day. No school.
<i>Wednesday 28 October</i>	Sausage Sizzle and Mufti
<i>Friday 6 November</i>	Senior Athletic Sports
<i>Wednesday 11 November</i>	Y5 camps begin
<i>Friday 13 November</i>	Junior Athletic Sports
<i>Friday 20 November</i>	Twilight Fair
<i>Monday 14 December</i>	Y6 Graduation at 1.40pm
<i>Wednesday 16 December</i>	Reports home
<i>Thursday 17 December</i>	Prizegiving Day
<i>Friday 18 December</i>	School year ends

New Pupils

Welcome to *Brody Clarke, Jessie Du Preez, Angtshwer Garcha, Natalie Hu, Jackson Hiku, Jordan Joyce and Maddison Osborne.*

From the PTA

PTA MEETING

The October PTA Meeting is tonight at 7.30pm, in the staffroom. ALL WELCOME!

FAIR NEWS

The big day is just **6 WEEKS AWAY!!** We have a fun event planned. We hope you, your family, relatives and friends are all going to join us!

Bottle Donation

Over the next 2 weeks (Monday 12th – Friday 23rd October) we would like **families to kindly donate a bottle** for our mystery ‘Tombola Bottle’ Stall. Suitable ‘bottles’ include soft drink, juice, wine, sweet & savoury sauces, dressings, cooking oils, cleaning products, bubble bath, shampoo or anything else in a bottle.

Other Donations

Have you remembered to send in your donated items, as requested last term? These include:

- *Bag of Sweets*
- *Gift Basket Item*

If you haven't yet sent these items in, **it's not too late**, just bring to school as soon as possible and leave in your classroom ‘donations’ box. Remember to show your teacher first so that you receive house points for your donations.

Second Hand Books, CD's, DVD's & Puzzles

We are also planning a second hand book stall, selling quality **books, CD's, DVD's & puzzles** donated by families. We would like you to start sending these in **NOW**. Please remember these are the **ONLY** second hand items that we require – we are NOT having a White Elephant stall – so please, only the items listed above.

Calling for Volunteers

The time has come to call for helpers on the big day (for set-up on the day, helping on a stall at the event and for clean-up afterwards). At previous events we have needed in excess of 100 volunteers and we are going to need this amount again, if not more, so please put your hand up to offer **an hour or two** of your time. With enough volunteers, we will be able to keep rostered shifts to an hour, leaving enough time for volunteers to still be able to personally enjoy the Fair with family and friends. Extended family members (Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles) may also be willing to help – please ask them – all help is greatly appreciated! Please **complete the slip** at the bottom of the separate Fair Notice coming home this week and **return to school as soon as possible**.

Contact Persons

Please note, if you have any queries or need to talk with someone regarding the Fair, please contact either Maree Biland (5376037, biland@xtra.co.nz) or Kath Bason (5338097, kath.bason@fb.co.nz).

KIWI KIDZ- TEACHER ONLY DAY

Please take note that Kiwi Kidz will be open as usual for before and after school care on 23 October 2009 and the programme will be extended to include the hours from 8:30am –3:00pm as well. , Cost of care will be \$3.50 per hour (minimum 6 hours) . All bookings must be finalized by 19 October so that adequate arrangements can be made with caregivers.

Morning and afternoon tea will be provided. Children will need to bring a packed lunch. Parents who qualify for an OSCAR subsidy may access the subsidy for this day.

Parents wishing to enroll their children can contact us directly on : ph: 09 2729961 or 021 1123 749
Email: kiwikids@xtra.co.nz

Have a good week everyone

Regards

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