

Monday 12 December 2011

"OUR BEST ALWAYS"

Dear parents

School Prize Giving Tomorrow

Years 1-3 starting at 9.30am

Years 4-6 starting at 1.00pm

Please turn off your cell phones before coming into the hall

No stiletto heels in the hall please

We are looking forward to having you join us

Swimming Pool Keys

The school pool will be open during the school holidays for key holders. Families of the school are able to purchase a key for \$60 for the season from the school office. This includes a \$20 refundable deposit for the key. The pool opening hours are from 9am to 7pm daily (excluding Christmas Day and New Year's Day) during school holidays and 3pm to 7pm during the school term. There will be a delay in opening the pool as it is being painted, but we hope to have it open around the 21st December.

Pool keys are available from the school office until 11.00am on Wednesday 14 December. After this they will only be available from Birgit (contact details below).

We do need some volunteers to open and close the pool daily throughout the season. These duties involve opening/closing the pool gate and changing rooms, removing/replacing the cover and cleaning up of the change rooms for a week. We also require a volunteer to mow the lawns in the pool area as necessary. Volunteers will receive a \$20 discount. If you have any queries, or would like to assist, please contact Birgit Rahm on 535 3552 or 021 104 0951, birgit@orcon.net.nz

Stationery

Next year we will once again be selling stationery through the school. Stationery packs will be available on the *very first day*, Wednesday 1st February 2012.

Y0, 1, 2 Packs: \$35 each

Y3, 4, 5, 6 Packs: \$30 each

Children should bring either the correct money, or a cheque made out to Botany Downs Primary School. Parents may pay by eftpos of course. Stationery will be issued from the hall.

School Office

The school office will be closing at 12.00 on Wednesday 14th December 2011. During the holidays the office will be open from *9.00am until 1.00pm* on the following days:

Thursday 26th January 2012

Friday 27th January 2012

Tuesday 31st January 2012

Uniform shop

The uniform shop will be open on **Friday 27th January 2012, 11.00am to 12.00pm** and then on:

- *Wednesday 1st February 8.30am -9.30am*, and on
- *Thursday 2nd February 8.30am -9.30am*.

PE shirts in House colours are compulsory wear from the beginning of next year. These are printed with the names of the Houses and are available from the uniform shop for \$15.

Farewell Year 6

This is the last week at Botany Downs Primary for a large group of fantastic Year 6 children. Best wishes to all of you as you head off in many different directions. We're going to miss every one of you.

Student Reports: A reminder that your child's report will be coming home tomorrow.

Junior and Middle School Big Days In

A huge thank you to 'Active Amusements' for giving us such a fantastic deal on our Bouncy Castles, Frog and Soccer games.

Last Day of the Year

Please note that our school year finishes on **Wednesday 14 December at 12.00pm**.

Please collect your children promptly at 12.00pm on Wednesday 14 December. There will be no-one at school to supervise children on that afternoon as the school will be closed. The bus will be here to pick up children at 12.10pm.

The new school year begins on Wednesday 1 February 2012.

Have a great holiday break everyone, and thank you all for your support over the past year.

Mr T

From Your PTA

THANK YOU from the PTA for all the support from parents and children at Botany Downs School. Without this the many projects we have undertaken this year would not have been possible.

Winners of the Kayak Raffle were:

- 1st Sally Sumner - Kayak package
- 2nd Brenda Harris - \$100 voucher
- 3rd Terry Houston - \$50 voucher

Kelly Sports Christmas School Holiday programme Kelly Sports are running a multisport school holiday programme at Howick Primary School for primary and intermediate-aged children from **19th-22nd December & 23rd- 7th January 2012**. Morning, afternoon and full-day sessions available Spaces still available. If you would like a brochure sent to you please contact Lyn Flavell on 292-2224 or pat@kellysports.co.nz or download information from www.kellysports.co.nz/locations/howick-pakuranga-zone/

Kelly Sports After School Programme 2012 Kelly Sports offers after school sports programmes from 3.10pm to 4.10pm for 8 weeks of the term. Our Programmes are targeted at year 1 - 6 children who are keen to try out a variety of sports. Kelly Sports encourages kids to have fun, build confidence and to develop key sporting skills. Player of the Day ribbons awarded every session. Please contact Lyn Flavell on 09-2922-224 or pat@kellysports.co.nz Download a 2012 enrolment form on our website: www.kellysports.co.nz/locations/howick-pakuranga-zone/