



From these roots  
will strong trees grow

# Newmarket School News

## 13 February, 2012

### ***Tena koutou katoa*** ***Dear Parents/Caregivers***

#### ***Newmarket School Support Crew***

We are very fortunate to have a competent and strong board of trustees (BOT) and a very active parent support group (PSG) at Newmarket School. The board and the PSG play important roles in our school and certainly strengthen all that we do.

The **Board of Trustees (BOT)** is a group of elected people who are responsible for the governance of the school. The board of a school is responsible for determining the direction in which the school is heading. This occurs with consultation with parents, staff and students of the school to ensure that the school is providing the highest quality of education possible and is a safe place in which students can learn. The board meets twice a term, meetings are open, and visitors are very welcome to attend. The board is chaired by Gayle Hackwell, with Peter Hargraves, Mark McDonough, Richard Lamb, Elizabeth McLeay, Eileen Dixon and Wendy Kofoed as members.

- The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February, at 6.15 in the school staffroom.

The **Parent Support Group (PSG)** is a very active group of parents within the school that help organise fun family events and activities for the school community, at the same time as actively fundraising for various projects: eg. extra sports/music equipment. For example, the PSG organised the family picnic last Tuesday evening. ☺

When parents and schools work together, children learn successfully. Parent participation in the school programme is actively encouraged through helping in the classroom, attending school trips, sports events, concerts, assemblies, participating in fundraising and providing feedback on school processes.

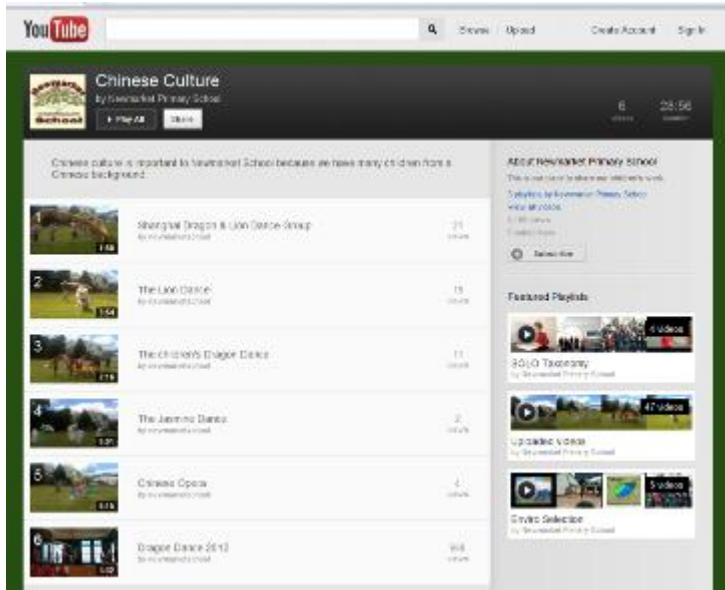
Regular meetings of the **PSG** are held in the school staffroom and parents are warmly welcome to attend and get involved.

- Our next PSG evening meeting is Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 in the staff room. All parents welcome to attend - we will be discussing some of the great activities planned for the next couple of months, so come along, share some coffee, some ideas and some fun!

#### ***Fabulous Visitors – Xie xie***

We were very fortunate to have a visit from the Shanghai Dragon and Lion Dance Group last Tuesday. The dancers performed traditional Lion, Jasmine and Opera dances to the great delight of our students. We thank the Asia NZ society for organizing this treat for us. We have uploaded videos of the performances to YouTube.





### Crossing Gillies Avenue

It is very dangerous to cross children on Gillies Avenue. Please use the lower car park and/or the pedestrian crossing.



### 2012 Junior Camp – Year 1 and 2

This week we have the first of the school camps on Thursday. While the plan is to sleep in tents on the field if the weather is poor we will sleep in the classrooms. Some permission forms have yet to be returned to school. Please get these back to school as soon as possible.

### Flippa Ball Term 1 for Years 4, 5 and 6

We are still keen to have new players join the squad. Practice is on Thursday after school at AGS pool and the games are at Epsom Girls Grammar School on a Sunday afternoon. Please email Libby on [jules.libby@clear.net.nz](mailto:jules.libby@clear.net.nz) or phone 021 99 33 09 if your child is interested.

### Respect Towards Others

We have three simple rules at Newmarket school, these are:



This term students and teachers are learning about respecting others. So well done to those students who received a **Respect for Others** certificate this week.





## ***Principal Awards***



With kind regards

*Wendy Kofoed*

Dr Wendy Kofoed  
Principal

## **Community Notices**

### **Newmarket After School Programme**

***Taking care of your children until your work day is done.***

- Daily 3pm – 6pm, with homework, fun activities and a healthy afternoon tea included.
- Children will be supervised in a safe and stimulating environment by experienced and highly-motivated Parnell Trust staff.
- Part or full weeks, WINZ subsidies available.
- Contact Jan at Parnell Trust on 555 5194 for more information.

### **Before School Programme**

We now offer a before school programme in the school hall from 7.30 each morning – breakfast provided.

### **Optimal health for your child**

A talk by Naturopath Rosanne Sullivan and Nutritionist Sarah La Touche

Learn about:

- The role nutrition plays in learning, concentration and behaviour and how to assist a child with learning difficulties
- Nutritional support for children with eczema, asthma, allergies or poor immunity
- Special nutrients such as omega 3 fish oils, zinc and probiotics
- Food additives and other toxins you should know about
- Ideas for healthy breakfasts, lunches, dinners and snacks with recipes, samples and handouts

7pm Tuesday 28th February 2012, St Heliers Community Centre, 100 St Heliers Bay Rd  
Bookings preferable but not essential. To reserve a seat contact Rosanne on 630 5442 or [rosanne@rosannesullivan.co.nz](mailto:rosanne@rosannesullivan.co.nz).

### **Stardome & Bubbledome Afterschool Extension Programmes**

Bubbledome is running an Ultra Science & Space Technology Course at the Stardome Planetarium and Observatory!

Bubbledome will also be offering extension workshops at several venues in Auckland starting week three term one 2012. These are 8 week programs open for all students aged 6-12 years interested in Computers, Art, Science, Space Inventions and Design. Spaces are strictly limited.  
For questions Tel: 09 622 0672 or email: [Info@bubbledome.co.nz](mailto:Info@bubbledome.co.nz) or visit: [www.bubbledome.co.nz](http://www.bubbledome.co.nz)

### **Baradene College of the Sacred Heart**

**– OPEN EVENING – TUESDAY, 28<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 6.30pm - 8.30pm**

For Enrolments Year 7 & 9, 2013 – Applications close on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2012.

We welcome all prospective parents and students to visit the college. Entry at Gate 2 to the Auditorium.

### **Kings School**

2013 Entrance Scholarships will take place at the school on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2012. These are open to all boys who are currently in Year 6. Contact Kirsty Higgs on 520 7774 for application forms or download them from [www.kings.school.nz](http://www.kings.school.nz)

### **St Cuthbert's College**

Open Afternoon – Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 from 12.30pm to 3.30pm at St Cuthbert's College, 122 Market Road, Epsom, Auckland.

Register online at [www.stcuthberts.school.nz](http://www.stcuthberts.school.nz) Closing date: 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2012