



Newmarket School News

22 August, 2011

From these roots will strong trees grow

Tena koutou katoa
Dear Parents/Caregivers

Mayor Len Brown

On Friday Mr Mayor visited Newmarket School to discuss leadership. During his visit Mr Mayor was enthusiastic and very complimentary about how our school was a lovely representation of the cultural diversity in Auckland city. We were surprised and impressed with the Mayor's singing voice as he entertained us with his rendition of the Auckland City song. We thank the Mayor for presenting our speech winners with their certificates, answering questions on leadership and visiting our classrooms.



High-fives from Mayor Len Brown.



Presentation of products from our luscious N.P.S. gardens.



The Mayor performing Fire-flies with children from rooms one and two.



The sun was shining and the birds were chirping as our students led Mayor Len Brown on a tour around our school.

Principals' Awards this Week

Ka Pai Pablo - an informative poster about Kiwis
Tino Pai Luke - Cool All Black Posters!

Congratulations to the hockey and footballs teams for their winning moves at the recent sports exchange against Kings. A huge thank you to all the coaches, managers and supporters for their input and feedback to the players. We are still looking for assistance with our four netball teams and if you are able to help with training or managing a team please let Eilleen know.



Electronic Attendance Registers Reminder

This year the teachers are marking attendance electronically twice daily. Each teacher inputs a code for attendance. This data is available to the Ministry of Education. Some of the codes are as follows:

- ? Unknown reason for absence (marked as truant).
- M Medical reason (if absences are 'extended' we need a medical certificate).
- J Explained justified absence (hospital appointment, funeral)
- E Explained but not justified (you have informed the school that your child is on holiday)

For this reason we need to know **why** your child is absent. When you leave a message on the school answer phone please indicate **why** the child is absent. Any absences not explained are marked as? and classified as truanting.

Lunch Orders

We have sushi available Monday to Friday and Subway on Wednesdays and Fridays. The deadline for ordering lunches is **9:15 a.m.** Please ensure lunches are ordered by this time to avoid disappointment.

Diary Dates

If you have questions about any of the events below please see the classroom teachers.

Senior School Remuera Zone Cross Country Finals: Tuesday 23 August at 9:30 (the bus leaves at 8:45 a.m.)
School of Rock: 29 August - 2 September 9 (Assembly Performance 9th September at 1:40 p.m.)
Pot Luck Dinner: Thursday 8 September 6:00 p.m - 7:00 p.m. (A good chance to talk about rugby over dinner.)

August Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees are holding their August meeting at 6.30pm on Monday 22nd August. Parents are always welcome to attend Board meetings and minutes are available from the office a week after the meeting.

A Magical Moment

It was fantastic to witness the sheer delight of our children as they try to catch snow drops falling from the sky.

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Eileen Dixon/Virginia Kung
Acting Principal

