

**4<sup>th</sup> February 2010**

NEWSLETTER NO: 1

A big welcome back to all and very best wishes for the 2010 year. Lots of work has gone on over the holidays with paintings contracts, sand being spread over the grounds to assist winter drainage and a new teacher workroom built alongside the staffroom. New spouting and water fountains are also being installed.

Akzo Nobel has renewed sponsorship of the Tuesday breakfast programme and has also paid for \$4200 worth of sports uniforms. As always, the school is fully planned and ready to start normal programmes – we just need the children to have their books.

Notices went home on Tuesday in regard to Stationery, School Donations and After School Classes.

Our stationery is amongst the cheapest around – many local schools charge between \$40-\$80. If they haven't already got it, all children should have their stationery tomorrow - it would be really good if the books can be covered – old wallpaper or brown paper is fine.

**WARM WELCOME to the following new Pupils:** Tre McAlister, Ireina Paurini-Schutt, Aldous Schollum, Christopher Cameron, Sione Malua, Ebony Ned-Senior, Thomas Bulloch, Patelisio Manuha'apai, Jacob Kim, Clara Cho, Joshua Siaki, Sebastian Diedricks, Zhan'e O'Dwyer, Fatemeh Shamsoudin Khorami, Tesara Keil, Saxon Keil, Walt Bowers-Fleming, Hannah Gavin, Luke Winther, Aidan Ripley, Ryan Arthur, Tracy Xu, Austin Lorenzen, Yani Llavizher, Jack Lucas, Flynn Saxon, Benjamin Wright, Daniel Knowles, Mereem Dwerse, Eleanor Horner, Jordan Jacobs, Jesse Austin, and Isaac Buckley-Galvin.

**We wish you all a long and enjoyable stay with us.**

**A SPECIAL WELCOME** to our new teacher, **Georgia Falvey**, teaching in Room 4. We extend to you our best wishes Georgia and welcome you to our school. I know you will be a major asset to Matipo Primary.

**AFTER SCHOOL CARE** is provided by SKIDS and their contact number is 8185955.

**DENTAL NURSE** can be contacted on 834 5313.

**MEET THE TEACHER** will be held on **WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> February** between 2:00pm and 8:00pm.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY this week to:** Ben Eldridge, Emily Eldridge, Jordan Jacobs, Isaac Martin and Madison Furmenger.

**NEW** – a small sculpture and cacti garden outside the computer room.

**ART FOCUS** – this year will be on the theme of “fish”.

### **SCHOOL DATES**

February 17	Meet-the-teacher
February 24-26	Overnight Camps
March 9	Softball Field Day
March 17	School Athletics
March 24	Zone Athletics
March 30	Poetry Contest
	Learning Expo Day
April 1	Term 1 Finishes
	Senior School Concert
April 19	Term 2 Begins – 2.45 pm finishes

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES** – last year we had a school wide focus on “Dance” with all classes presenting over the course of the year. This year our focus is going to be Drama and each class will be presenting at assembly. These will probably not be full class items and will be brief and simple to start with.

### **2010 YEAR DATES**

Term 1	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February – Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April
Term 2	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July
Term 3	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> September
Term 4	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> October – Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December

### **ACTION ITEMS**

- **School Stationery**      \* **School Donation**
- **After School Classes**      \* **Hats for playtime/lunchtime**

**Te Atatu Intermediate School Uniform** – complete second hand uniform in excellent condition, includes P.E. gear, shoes and cap – phone Maria 834 6500 or 027 654 1937.

**LEARN MUSIC AT SCHOOL** - We are most fortunate in being able to offer specialist music lessons at our school. Your child has received an enrolment form for the “Music In Schools” Programme this week. Enrolments close on 12 February. Please make sure the form is returned to the office by this date so that your child does not miss out on developing their musical talent.

### **AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES**

### **RETURN TO OFFICE**

In addition to the previous classes Filmmaking will also be offered on a Monday (starting Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb) @ \$25 per term (Year 4-6 only).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rm : \_\_\_\_\_

Wishes to enroll in the Film Making Class for Term 1 and \$25 is enclosed.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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