

Newsletter – 11th April 2011

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

From the Principal

The end of term one has come with a rush. Thank you to all the parents that managed to make it along to the student learning conference. Next term we will have a mid-year interim report for you as well as another personal review which will help you to keep track on your child's learning goals and the progress they are making. Through the reviews it has been great to see the degree of understanding and responsibility the students are taking towards their own learning.

Grandparents Day / Opening of the New Building - Friday 15th of April

This starts in the Hall at 10.40am with a welcome to the Grandparents and then a chance to learn with the children in their classroom. At 12 noon we will be assembled under the Blue cover ready for the opening of our new classroom block. We welcome everyone who can make it to come along to this event. It will be finished by 12.20pm and then Grandparents and children can enjoy their lunch. The PTA are putting on a variety of food stalls and games until 2.00pm when the children will be expected to go back to class to clean up before they head home for the break. There will be free tea and coffee (please bring a cup), food stalls, new building tours, Kaiawa garden tours, raffles, books for sale, games, and much more... Parents are also welcome to the afternoon tea by the sea.

Farewell to Mr Claude Humphrey

This is the last week for Mr Humphrey our caretaker for three and a half years as he leaves to enjoy retirement. On behalf of Beachlands School I wish him all the best with his future plans and thank him for all the hard work he has put into developing and maintaining our school to a high standard. He has been a wonderful part of our staff.

We welcome Mr Terry Harrison to our caretaking team. Mr Harrison is a local person who is well versed in being a practical hands-on person.

Thank you to Rebecca Nolan

Thank you for all the work you have put into the PTA over the past years. Due to all your effort we have continued to move forward financially and the children have enjoyed the benefits from all the fundraising you and the PTA have achieved. We wish you all the best with your future travels

I would like to wish you all a safe and happy holiday.

Christchurch Fundraising

Congratulations to the children in Room 19 and 25 for raising over \$450.00 in aid of Christchurch. They ran a fabulous disco and served some amazing food! Ms Masters and Ms Adams are very proud of them all!

Congratulations to Ryan Potgieter from Room 11. With the help of his sister Lara and his Dad, he raised \$123.50 for Christchurch. He did this by selling popcorn and swan plants on Friday 1st April. Thank you to all those who supported his fundraising by bringing in money on that day.

Well done to all the year 3-6 soccer players who participated in the Kiwisport Soccer Tournament last Friday at Te Puru. Not only were our students a competitive bunch (I'm told they won nearly all their games!) but our FERN values were strongly displayed through their super sportsmanship attitudes. A big "thank you" to the parents and helpers who supported us on the day, having you there makes a huge difference to our students and teachers. Marianne Garvey

School Veggie Patch

Please send your bar codes to school from McCain Vegetable Packs as we can exchange these for seeds with McCain. Please drop them off to the school office or send to Mrs McLeod Room 10 or Mrs Cullen Room 4.

Awards at School Assembly

Congratulations to the following students who received an Award today -

Charlotte, Joel, Travis, Rhys, Grace, Rene, Ashley, Devyn, Matthew, Amelia, Sam, Jamie, Emily, Jarrod, Matthew, Jane, Danielle, Ella, Hannah, Hannah and Eilidh.



House points for Week 6 –

1st Tainui

2nd Tokomaru

3rd Arawa

4th Takitimu

Lost Property

We have students who collect items that have been left around the school. They do this on a Friday afternoon. They will return items to students if the following is clearly labelled on them. A first or last name and a room number. Please check uniform (including shoes), lunchboxes and drink bottles over the holiday for names that may have washed out. All uniform items that have no name will be washed and handed to the uniform shop. If you have 'hand me down' items please ensure your child's name and current room is clear on the label. The lost property bin is located under the blue cover. There have been a number of pairs of shoes and several lunch boxes in the bin for a few weeks now. Please check if you are missing anything.

Dental Clinic

For emergencies only over the school holidays please contact 534-5682.

Coming Events

Friday 15th April -

Grandparents Day – afternoon tea by the sea – official opening of new building

End of term 1

Monday 2nd May -

Term 2 commences

BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS

The PTA needs your unwanted Children's Books so that we can hold another Read-Cycle Book Fair. We are proposing to have a Mini- Book Fair to coincide with Grandparents Day on April 15th. Our First Read-Cycle Book Fair last year was a great success, giving children the opportunity to buy Books for 50cents or 1 dollar. Please bring your books that you wish to donate to the school office or leave a message with the office if you require to have the books collected. All money raised will be used to buy new books for the School Library.

PTA News

Vin Alto

Support Beachlands School while tasting wine! Wine tasting and antipasti – Wednesday 18th May 7.00pm – 9.00pm Vin Alto 424 Creightons Road Clevedon. \$25.00 per ticket with \$10.00 going back to Beachlands School - Maximum 65 people – so order your ticket now. Special wine offers available on the night – in addition, 10% of the value of any wine sold on the night will go to Beachlands School.

St Pierres Sushi

From Term 2 we will be offering Sushi as a healthy lunch order on Wednesdays. The sushi needs to be ordered on a Tuesday by 9.00am and will be delivered to your child's class at lunch time on Wednesday.

Pack Sizes - 5 piece pack \$4.00

(plain \$3)

8 piece pack

\$7.00 (plain \$5)

Sushi Types

Smoked Salmon, Teriyaki Chicken, Tuna, Vegetable, Plain (just rice). All come with soy sauce.

To Order.....Fill out your sushi bag with your choice (will be sent home with Monday's newsletter) or pick up from Office or our website, enclose the **correct** money (no change will be given) and bring to your class by Tuesday 9.00am. We are unable to take orders after 9.00am.