



Team 1 Newsletter

Term 3 2010



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to term 3! We hope that you had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday.

Enterprise

This term we continue to inquire into what it means to be enterprising. I have no doubt that you heard all about our zoo visit. We were looking at ways the zoo is an enterprise. We investigated aspects such as how they cater for birthdays, weddings and educational visits. We touched on ways the zoo is sustainable, and recycles their waste. A big thank you to all of the parent helpers who made our day run smoothly 😊

Getting off to the Right Start

Please remember that the school day begins at 8.55am. The children are allowed in the classroom from 8.30am onwards. Please be mindful of your child arriving at school too early and waiting outside in the cold by themselves. Please can you ensure that your child has a good start to the day by arriving at school on time (between 8:30 and 8:55am).

If your child arrives after 9:00am then they will need to sign in at the school office, as they will be marked absent on our registers.

It is very important that your child has the opportunity to organise themselves ready for the school day. Please can I ask that your child takes their own belongings out of their bag and brings them into the class each day. This way they are aware of the items they have brought to school, and know where they are. It is also important for developing your child's independence. The key competency 'managing self' is a vital component of our New Zealand curriculum.

Learning At Home

Please keep in mind that home learning is designed to be fun and not a time consuming activity. Thank you to those parents who continue to read each night with their child, your support at home is evident in the classroom. As year 2 is looming we want your child to have the best foundation so they are able to continue



to be successful learners next year. Please feel free to speak with your child's teacher about your child's progress throughout the term.

Cross Country

This term the children are practising for our cross country. This will be held as a whole school event on Friday 20 August. We will send out more details closer to the time. If you would like to send your child to school with some suitable running shoes to help them "run faster" you are able to do so.

Dates to Remember

Book week is coming up! In Week 5 & 6 we are hosting the Scholastic Book Fair and Week 6 is Willowbank School Book week. Look for more information in newsletters.

Fathers' day is celebrated at Willowbank with a Fathers' day breakfast. This will be held on Friday 3 September at 7.30am. We look forward to seeing all our dads, granddads and other important male role models at breakfast. We hope you are able to take the time to make it to this event. Details will be sent out closer to the time.

The teachers in team 1 thank you for your continued support, and look forward to working with you and your families in term 3.

Marie, Juliana, Sally and Megan 😊