

## GLAMORGAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 3, week 2: 29 July 2010

Kia ora koutou. Hello everyone

### **SO PROUD!**

#### **Northern Bays Cluster Performing Arts Festival**

On Tuesday evening the choir performed as part of the Northern Bays Cluster Performing Arts Festival. Twelve schools took part and items included drama presentations, choirs, bands and dance. The evening was a great success and our choir were fantastic! Well done to all the children and Kim Wannenburg for her enthusiasm, skill and leadership in this area of our school. We were all so proud to watch you all and your singing was superb.

#### **Whole School Assembly Tomorrow**

Tomorrow, Friday 30 July at 1.30 pm in the School Hall, Team 1 will be leading and sharing at our whole school assembly. You are all welcome to attend.

#### **Swimming**

Thank you for your quick response to the swimming lessons survey. There are 221 families who responded yes and 37 no, so we will offer the lessons again in February next year. You should have received a separate letter about swimming lessons along with this newsletter in your child's bag today.

#### **Walking School Bus news**

The Walkers Tree will be at our school from Monday 9th August for four weeks. Children on the Walking School Buses collect leaves every time they walk which are put onto the tree, and for every 10 leaves there is an apple to stick on! The idea is the tree changes from a bare wintery tree to a spring leafy tree and eventually fills with fruit. The tree will be in the school hall. If you are available from 8:30am to 9:00am on any morning and wouldn't mind helping to stick the leaves and apples on the tree please contact Jane Howard on 473 0123 or 021 037 5338.

#### **New Walking School Bus route**

We have had an enquiries about starting a WSB from approximately Morice Place coming all the way down Glamorgan Drive to the school with possible pick ups at the top of Cairnbrae, Cranston, Lingham and various other spots on the way. If you would be interested in either helping with or joining a WSB on this route please contact Jane Howard on 473 0123 or 021 037 5338. Going ahead with a new route will depend on the amount of support it will have.

#### **Board of Trustees Meeting**

The monthly Board of Trustees meeting will be held at 7 p.m. upstairs in the Administration Building next Tuesday 3 August. You are all welcome to attend.

#### **Home/School Partnership in Mathematics**

All parents and caregivers are invited to come along to the library next Thursday afternoon at 2:15pm. Children from all year levels will be playing maths games that can easily be played at home to help support their basic facts learning and recall. This is an informal opportunity for you to ask questions and play the games with the children so you can learn alongside them! There are some donated games as spot prizes available also.

#### **Basic-Fact-A-Thon**

Our next major fundraising event on the calendar is the Basic-Fact-A-Thon which supports the children's learning in the Number area of Mathematics and was one of the areas across the school that teacher's felt children needed to work on. Coming home with each child next Monday, 2 August, will be a sheet of questions, a sponsor sheet and a set of instructions for you all.

The testing day will be Tuesday 17 August and children will have two weeks to gather their sponsorship funds following the testing day.

We do not encourage children to go 'door knocking' and prefer that you monitor the soliciting of sponsors. We welcome donations should you not approve of gaining sponsorship. We appreciate your assistance in this regard. There is a 'pizza for lunch' prize for each team across the school to be won. The winning class in each team will have the highest percentage of children return their sponsor money by Friday 5 September and have the highest dollar amount of sponsor money returned.

Thank you for supporting the Basic-Fact-A-Thon, raising money for the school and increasing your child/ren's basic fact knowledge at the same time!

#### **Quiz Night date change**

The Friends of The School Quiz Night will be held on Friday 17th September not 27th August as published in last week's newsletter.

#### **Book Fair 2010 Last Day!**

Do not miss out! This is a fantastic opportunity to purchase quality books at reasonable prices and support our children's library! The last day for the **Scholastic School Book Fair** is today in Room 25 with extended business hours from 1.00–7.00pm. Come in and browse through an extensive selection of children's books.

#### **Kiwisport**

Glamorgan School is part of a local cluster of schools who are working with North Harbour Sport to give children the opportunity to experience eight different sports over a period of two years starting in term 2 this year. These sports will be taken by the sports clubs with trained coaches taking six lessons per class per term. Each sport is eager for the children to try out their sport and of course they would love to have any keen and interested parents join their clubs too. The overall objective is to expose children to as many new and different sports as possible so they become active and realise that sport can be a fun way to stay healthy as well as having a competitive element. Our second sport is hockey and the lessons started this week except for Team 5 who start next week due to parent/teacher discussions being held today.

Kind Regards

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Principal