

Tena Koutou Katoa, Talofa Lava, Greetings to you all,  
Thank you to those parents who attended our Meet the Teacher Night on Tuesday, I know parents find it difficult to fit in school functions during the evening with sports, work etc. If you didn't make it last night and have not met your child's teacher please feel free to pop in and make yourself known to them. Parent feedback about the format and timing of the evening would be appreciated. Please forward your ideas to the school office.

### **REMINDER**

#### **School starts at 8.55 am!**

We have had quite a few students arriving at school after 8.55 am! It is now week 4, and time for us all to respect the fact that school starts at 8.55 am.

### **Powhiri**

Our school Powhiri to welcome new families and teachers was held today, attached are photos from this mornings event.

### **School Donations**

School Donations paid before 31st March will receive a 20% discount. These can be paid at the office by cash or eftpos. The donation is \$100 per child. Any parents wishing to set up regular automatic payments can do this through the office.

### **Reading Together Programme**

We will be running our Reading Together Programme this term, starting on 1st March, 3.15 to 4.15 pm, held in the school staffroom. This is a very enjoyable program designed for parents to help their children with their reading. If you are interested in attending, please contact the school office.

### **Kiwi Quiz**

Our winner for last weeks Kiwi Quiz was Angelina from room 27. Who won the Rugby 10's in Brisbane last weekend? The answer was C. Chiefs.

### **Year 5 & 6 Summer Field Day**

On Tuesday, 28th the year 5 and 6 students have their summer field day, where they travel to other venues to play a range of sports. Students will have already been advised of this.

### **Year 7 & 8 Swimming Sports**

Next week is a big week for sport as on Monday, 27th, we have our year 7 and 8 swimming sports at Massey Park. These start at 12.30pm and finish at approximately 2.30pm. On Wednesday the year 5 and 6 students have their swimming sports also from 12.30pm to 2.30pm. The interschool teams will be chosen at these sports. Parent support is most welcome at both events. Unfortunately we will not be able to hold our usual staff, student, parent relay as the events are on different days.

### **ASB Banking**

A reminder that ASB banking is available at school on a Wednesday.

**Supporting success in your school.**

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

**\$500**

ASB lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. To be eligible for this donation your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between 1 January 2017 and 30 June 2017. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property provided to ASB. This home loan offer is only available on loans secured by an owner-occupied residential property. Only one donation will be given per customer. Donations will be made by ASB on behalf of the customer to the chosen school upon full draw down of the new home loan. This offer excludes loans for business purposes and bridging.

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### **The Sir Edmund Hillary Library Fun Night**



## **Dr Seuss**

### **Family Fun Night**

The Sir Edmund Hillary Library

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March  
5.30-6.30pm

Stories – Activities – Games – Craft

For Children 4 and Up (Accompanied by an adult)

### **Bikes**

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of Guidelines for Riding a Bike to School. Students under 10 years should not be riding bikes to school.

### **Rainy Days**

Please make sure that your child is wearing a coat to school on rainy days. Last Friday morning the rain was very heavy and we had children without coats and others with coats in their bags. It is very uncomfortable for them to be sitting in classrooms all day in wet clothing. There are still a large number of students wearing coloured socks and canvas shoes – please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform. Canvas shoes get wet, students have wet and smelly feet all day. It is most unhealthy. New students to Papakura Normal School are able to get a Warriors Jacket from Mrs Hori.

### **Counties Manukau Badminton Junior Rep Trials.**

When: February 26th  
U13 and U17 Registration 10.30 am, Trial 11.00 to 1.00 pm. Players must come prepared to play for 2 hours.  
Where: Counties Manukau Badminton Hall, Elliott Street, Papakura. Phone 09 2998042. There is a trial cost.

### **Kiwi Quiz**

Who was chosen as the overall winner for New Zealander of the year 2017?

A. Taika Waititi B. Peter Jackson C. Ritchie McCaw

Name: ..... Room No: .....

### **Important Dates**

27th February  
28th February  
1st March

- Year 7 & 8 Swimming Sport  
- Year 5 & 6 Summer Sports Day  
- Reading Together Programme