



Newsletter No 35

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Papakura Normal School

Important Dates	
20 Nov	School Discos
25 Nov	Y7 & 8 Zone Athletics
	Y5 & 6 Padder Tennis
	Book Fair begins
	Pre-school Visit
2 Dec	Y7 & 8 Padder Tennis
2 & 3 Dec	End of Year Concerts
3 Dec	Rainbows End Trip
4 Dec	Rose/Celebration Day
7 Dec	Rosehill College Orientation

Dear Parents,

Next year Board of Trustee elections will be held in May. Nominations for people wishing to stand for the election will be sort early next year. If you are considering standing for the Board you may like to attend an evening (7.00 -9.00pm) at Redhill School next Wednesday November 25th.

Rose/Celebration Day

Parents, grandparents and friends of the school should keep Friday 4 December free. We will be having an open school (tours, classroom visits, minor performances) for the morning and a picnic lunch. Cups of tea, sausages and treats will be available. We will also have our book fair operating. Donate a book for our library, or buy books for Christmas! Clear your calendar and join the school as we celebrate our learning in 2009.

End of Year Concert

Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd of December will be our end of year concerts with our performance groups presenting cultural items. Tickets, at the cost of \$5 per seat, are strictly limited to 350 per concert. Please note that for fire safety no prams can be accommodated. Performers will remain in the hall after their items (no ticket is necessary)! Each performance group will be advised of their requirements eg reporting time, dressing needs etc. The Programme is on the back of this newsletter.

Enrichment Units

Thank you to the parents who have returned their forms regarding the Maori enrichment units. If you would like your child considered, please complete the form at the bottom of this newsletter. **This is urgent as classes are now being organised for 2010.** If your child is already in one of these classes you do not need to respond.

Big Day Out

A Magicians / Comedy / Variety show is being held at the Hawkins Theatre, 13 Ray Small Drive, Papakura on Thursday 26th November at 6.00pm. Admission is free. If you would like some tickets, and **are able to attend**, please see the office. The concert supports the Heart Children NZ Inc.

Bullying

Papakura Normal School has zero tolerance of bullying. Often the problem is that people are unaware that bullying is taking place — if we do not know about it, we can't deal with it. If any one becomes aware of bullying, we would encourage them to report the bullying to a teacher, management team member or by using the website report form.

Book Fair

Our final Book Fair for the year starts Wednesday 2nd December and runs through to 9th December. A great gift idea for Christmas!

PTG Discos

Tomorrow Friday, November 20th, we will hold our discos - 5.30pm to 7.00pm for the juniors (Year 1-4) and 7.30pm to 9.00pm for seniors (Year 5-8). Cost \$2.00. Tickets available from the office.

Athletic Sports

Unfortunately Year 5 and 6 North Counties athletic sports were cancelled yesterday due to the weather. Year 7 and 8 North Counties sports are today, with the Counties sports next Wednesday 25th November.

Padder Tennis

The interschool Padder Tennis competition is being held next Wednesday 25th November for Year 5 and 6 and on Wednesday December 2nd for Year 7 and 8.

Rainbows End

On Thursday 3rd December children from Year 5—8 who have held positions of responsibility in the school, will be rewarded with a day out at Rainbows End.

Pre-school Visit

The final visit for the year will be held next Wednesday 25th November at 9.30am. Parents to come to the office and Mrs Parry will take you to the classroom.

Rosehill College

Please note that orientation for our students going to Rosehill College will be Monday 7th December at 9.00am. The students/ parents are responsible for getting themselves to and from the college.

APPA Music Festival

Please visit the APPA website if you would like to order photos of this year's Music Festival. The link is under "Events", then "Music Festival". The link straight to the photo website is <http://www.cactusphotography.co.nz> Once on the Cactus website, you need to scroll down in order to see the link to the choir photos.

Cans

Wow, six weeks have gone and we have passed our total by far. We now have 1613 cans. Tomorrow is your last day to bring in cans. The Salvation Army will be very grateful for our kind donation. This Christmas we can make a difference!

By Samantha Taylor

Maori Enrichment Unit

I would like my child to be considered for the Maori Enrichment Unit for 2010.

Name:

Room:

Signed: