

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We would like to welcome the following children and their families to Frimley: Ruby, Samuel, Anna , Arshdeep , Christopher , Dunisha, Jesse, Flynn, Cameron, Charlene, Te Mata, Kelly, Flynn.

We were sorry to lose the following child on transfer: Serenity (Australia)

School Roll 524.

2010 – 2013 Frimley School Board of Trustee's Elections

Congratulations to the following parents who were elected: (in alphabetical order) Carl Allen, Ian Horsefield*, Cedric Knowles, Carl Pederson* and Paula Richardson. * Current members.

Sincere thanks to all of the other parents who put their names forward for election: Paul Brizzle, Helen Cho, Jo Harvey, Sandra Howlett, Rachel Keith, Fiona Lambert. It was great to have a real depth of interest and support.

Retiring BOT Members

Murray Richardson spent ten years on the Frimley School Board of Trustees, three as secretary and the last six as our chairperson. Sincere thanks Murray for your truly outstanding service.

Sue Wilcox spent nine years on our Board of Trustees five of which she was the BOT Secretary following on from a stint as the PTA Chairperson. Sincere thanks Sue for your truly outstanding service. Julie Sturch spent two terms on our Board of Trustees. Thank you Julie for your sterling service.

Julie, Sue and Murray all stayed on and completed their term as elected Board of Trustees members after their youngest child had left Frimley. This stability and continuity enabled the Board to continue with the strategic planning that they had developed and this was really appreciated.

Natalie Biggs is currently a co opted member of the Board who acts as their Treasurer and Luke Fitzsimons is the elected Staff Representative.

School Diary

18 th May	B.O.T. Meeting 7:30 Staffroom
19 th May	Barefoot 10 aside rugby A grade v Peterhead at Frimley 3:30 – 4:20 C grade v Peterhead at Peterhead Kids for Kids Concert with Suzanne Prentice. Selected Yr 3 / 4 pupils performing. 7:00 – 9:00 H.B. Opera House Tickets through Ticket Direct.
21 st May	Assembly 9:00 Kids for Kids choir performing.
25 th May	Teachers Information Communications Technology meeting at Frimley after school.
26 th -29 th May	Mr Fitzsimons at an ICT congress in Christchurch.
26 th May	Barefoot 10 aside rugby A grade v Irongate at Irongate C grade v Parkvale at Frimley
28 th May	Assembly No Item. Limited Space. Hall has staging erected for Junior School production.
31 st May	PTA Meeting 7:00 N.B. Change of Date
1 st June	Next newsletter Community requests by 31 st May please.
2 nd June	Barefoot 10 aside rugby A grade v Havelock North at Frimley B grade v Clive at Frimley
4 th June	N.B. Teacher Development Day with Murray Gadd Literacy. <u>No School.</u>
7 th June	Queen's Birthday Holiday No School.

School Lunches

Congratulations to all of those parents who are providing their children with a very healthy and nutritious lunch and brain food on a daily basis. Your children should keep on thanking you for years to come.

We are concerned however, with about 10% of the lunches that are being provided mainly within the Senior School. Children are just bringing biscuits and chippies for the day. This is not a healthy choice nor is it sufficient to sustain them for the day. If it is your child's responsibility to get their own lunch then that is fine but as a parent it is your responsibility to ensure that what they have is appropriate and enough for the day. Please ask and check at home. Giving children money can mean they buy junk food on the way to school rather than ordering a lunch at school.

They need fruit or a cracker for brain food and morning tea and something like bread rolls, sandwiches, pita, scones, leftover pizza or quiche and more fruit for lunch. If it is in a packet like chippies then it is expensive and not necessarily good for them in the long term. It is really a fast food type option.

Middle School Swimming at the Flaxmere Waterworld.

We were all extremely impressed with the progress that all of the participants made during the two weeks. Sincere thanks to the dedicated swimming instructors and to the Endeavour Community Trust who assisted with the funding of the swimming lessons.

Polo Fleeces – We still have a number of un named and unclaimed polo fleeces that have been collected or donated over the last few years. They are available to purchase from the office for \$10 each. First in first served. There is no need to be cold this winter.

Hastings Girls High School Request

Please do not use the High School grounds as a short cut before, during and after school. This message is for both parents and pupils. It is a distraction to their students and schools are always very concerned when strangers wander through. Your co-operation would be really appreciated.

Generation X – Box – missing out in the game of life.

Extracts from an article in the Sunday Star Times written by Dr Cathy Wylie.

Keys to Success – The Competent Learners study has been following 500 Wellington children from when they were just under five.

It finds a clear connection between good quality early childhood education and doing well at 14.

Children who enjoy reading are more likely to do well in their thinking and other skills and to be fully engaged in learning.

Children who watch a lot of Television – two or more hours per day – do worse in their thinking, social and communication skills.

“ **All Rounders.**” – children who spend their leisure time doing activities that include performing arts as well as sports and exercise – do best.

Students whose main interest is electronic games, or who have no strong interests are more likely to be “at risk”.



Community News

Hawke's Bay Helicopter Rescue Trust is holding an Open Day at the Rescue Helicopter Hanger Orchard Road on Sunday 30th May 10:00am to 2pm.

This is a wonderful opportunity to get up close and inside the new Bk117 twin engine Rescue Helicopter and experience the valuable work undertaken by the pilots and crew plus the crews of St John's Ambulance, NZ Police and N.Z Fire Service. Food and Drinks on sale. Fun for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support. Malcolm Dixon Principal.