

Dear Parents and Caregivers



This is the start of week seven in term two and I must say how delighted we all are at the positive tone and very supportive atmosphere that is prevailing throughout the school. Your children are all a delight and a pleasure to teach. Thank you for your assistance. Special thanks also to our very hardworking staff for ensuring that each day at school for all children is an enjoyable experience.

We would like to welcome the following children and their families to Frimley: Bailey, Mackenzie, Tia, Pearl, Tegdip and Lian **Roll 542**

Reminder. To all parents, please enrol your youngsters as soon as they turn four. We have an enrolment zone that is being monitored by the Ministry of Education and we need to know the number of five year olds who will be starting at Frimley in any given period of time. Those who live outside of the Frimley School zone need to fill in an out of zone application form.

1 July in every school year is a crucial date for all Primary Schools. A schools roll number on that date dictates the number of teachers and the funding that is available for the following year.

School Diary

15 th June	PARENT / PUPIL / TEACHER NUMERACY EVENING 5:30 – 7:00 Please meet in the hall first. Sausage Sizzle starts at 5:00 We want to have a large turnout for this evening. The teachers will have put in a lot of preparation to ensure its success. Please support this initiative.
17 th June	Assembly 9:00 Item Rm 8. All welcome.
21 st June	BOT meeting 7:00 Admin Building All welcome.
23 rd June	Junior School Dance Festival Rm 's 6,7,8, and 9 1:30 – 2:45 pm All welcome
24 th June	Junior School Dance Festival Rm's 1,2,3, and 5 1:30 – 2:45 pm All welcome Assembly 9:00 All welcome.
27 th –15 th July	Senior School Drug Abuse Resistance Education DARE programme running. More information later.
27 th June	PTA meeting 7:00 Staffroom All welcome.
30 th June	Next newsletter
30 th -5 th July	Scholastic Book Fair – Utility Room
1 st July	Assembly Item Rm 4 9:00 All welcome.



Congratulations to our Inter School Athletics Teams:

One team Mae, Lizzie and Ethan finished third. Thanks to Mr Sisam.

Helping your child with Maths from Mary Medcalf

Encouraging your children's mathematical skills is similar to encouraging their language skills. In fact they need a lot of specific language to be able to work with mathematical concepts. Throughout the day, many opportunities arise for supporting children's literacy, there are also many possible opportunities to enjoy mathematics together. Remember Maths is more than just numbers, but they are at its heart.

Integrate maths into family time by building on activities that you already do.

- Setting table - how many knives and forks altogether? How many items on the table? Put the bread plate to the left of the fork, put the knife on the right. Before you put the knives on put the placemats on.
- Bedtime/ time to come home. I would like your light out in 20 minutes. What's the time now, so what time do you need to turn your light off? Reading the calendar - checking off the days till a special event, - how many more sleeps, what day is it? Next week we are...? Programming DVD or My Sky to record programmes.

- Checking the parking metre when you get back to the car. How many minutes did you use up? Or how much money do I need to put in to stay for ?? minutes, or put in the 50 cent coin, or put in \$1.20 from the coins in my purse.
- Reading prices at the supermarket, estimating how much you spent. Reading the weight or volume of items. Helping you weigh the vegetables.
- In the kitchen, baking, using metric weights, temperature of oven, time to cook, sequence of ingredients.
- Reading electricity water or gas metres - checking on daily usage.

Storytime As well as comprehension questions you could include questions about counting, comparing, shapes, etc.

- How many butterflies are there in the picture and whether more are likely to be seen on the next page? How many beds and chairs and plates are there in The Three Bears house? How many things shaped like a triangle are on the page?

See www.frimley.school.nz for a list of books that contain mathematical themes.

Outdoors While on a walk find things to count, compare or tally

- Guess how many dogs you will see on your walk
- Are there more single garages or double?
- Read the numbers on letter boxes - do they increase or decrease, what patterns do you notice (odd/even).
- Look for patterns e.g. paving, leaves, - spirals on ferns.

On the road. A good time to explore numbers, shapes, and counting.

- Maths scavenger hunt e.g. find a truck with 8 wheels, a speed limit over 35, a house number between 995 and 1195 etc.
- Children can make predictions e.g. whether there will be more traffic lights or stop signs. During the trip they can keep track using tallies, numbers or pictures. After the trip you could explore the data.
- Play car cricket by counting the last number of each number plate. When a car comes along with a named rather than a numbered number plate you are out and it is the next players turn.

Household chores

- Who has the most washing in the laundry? Is it the same person every day?
- The socks could be sorted.
- Making up the juice, weighing or measuring cooking ingredients.
- Shopping. Comparing prices. Which is the cheapest? By how much. Handling money, buying an item and receiving the change.

Playing Games There are a lot of commercial games that can be used to help with number recognition, counting or even colours eg. snakes and ladders, uno, chess, yahtzee, cards, jigsaw puzzles.

Stopping and Parking near a School

Enclosed with this newsletter is a brochure outlining the fines that offenders will be liable to pay if they break the laws.

The Hastings District Council in conjunction with the NZ Police are currently running a road safety campaign to ensure good road safety practice around schools. This is part of it.



Children arriving late for school – Since the onset on winter we have a number of children who are continually arriving late for school and it is not their fault. School starts at 8:50 please ensure that arrive at school between 8:30 and 8:45.

Community News

*House to Rent Frimley Area 3 bedrooms + office. \$350 weekly Ph Amy 8786674.

*PASSIONATE ABOUT PRE-SCHOOLERS? PAUA Early Childhood Home-based Service is looking for Home-Based Educators to place preschoolers within Hawkes Bay. We provide resources and visiting teacher support. Please phone 0800-728-277 for more information.

Thank you for your continued support. It is really appreciated by all of the staff.

Malcolm Dixon Principal.