

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Christmas Greetings to each and every one of you.



School Roll

Summary of 2011 enrolments. We started the 2011 school year at the end of the first week with 496 pupils (2010 - 485). Since the end of the first week of Term 1, we enrolled 110 pupils (2010 -108) and 21 children left during the year (27 in 2010). 91 of our new enrolments were new entrants (100 in 2010). We finished with 585 at the end of 2011 (565 in 2010).

We have NO space for out of zone enrolments who have not already been accepted for 2012.

Children Leaving

N.B. If you or your family are leaving Hastings at the end of the year and/or your children are not returning to Frimley please advise us urgently. Thanks to those who have already done so.

School Diary

13 December

Tonight Frimley Break Up Night. Venue: Frimley School Grounds

All children must wear their House T Shirt and uniform shorts/skirts and their sunhat. If they don't have a Frimley School House T shirt then it is school uniform.

No Smoking is permitted in our school grounds

Parking is available on our field behind the cricket wicket. Entrance through the Frimley Road gate. Picnic in the Park style bring a rug or a seat.

School closes at 2:00pm to give all children a chance to have a rest and allow staff to prepare for the break up.

5:00pm Sausage Sizzle starts 6:00pm Items begin 7:30pm Finish

14th December

Break Up Evening Postponement Date.

Principals Open Day. If you want to call in and see me to discuss any matters concerns or compliments, please feel free to do so.

No appointments required, just call in please. **NO LUNCH BAR WEDNESDAY**

Lost property on display all day Wednesday. This is almost your last chance to check through it. If it remains unclaimed and un-named it will be donated to a local charity. We have a pile of shoes that need their mate.

15th December

Final Day for 2011. Certificate Assembly at 9:00.

Final assembly at 11:40. School closes at 12:30 NO LUNCH BAR

Class for 2012 – All children will be given a letter on Thursday indicating their probable class placement for 2012. Because of new enrolments etc these are all subject to change and any changes that are necessary will not be made until the week prior to school starting.

2012 Term Dates for Frimley Primary School

Term One Wed 1st February – Thursday 5th April.

Term Two Monday 23rd April – Friday 29th June

Term Three Monday 16th July – Friday 28th Sept (NB Fri 17th - Mon 20th August - Mid Term Break)

Term Four Mon 15th October – Thursday 20th December

Our school office is going to be open from Monday 23rd January 2012 9:00am – 3:00pm. We are having a Teachers Only Day on Fri 27th January 2012 and a two Teacher Professional Development Days on Restorative Practice on Monday 30th January and Tuesday 31st January 2012.

Wednesday 1st February 2012 First Day for pupils

When the bell rings at 8:50 all children will be asked to assemble with their bags etc outside on the netball courts. Staff will be introduced and class lists read out.

Class Lists will be posted on classroom and office windows on Friday 27th January 2012.

Stationery Lists will be given to children on Day 1. Our prices are always very competitive and if you buy through the school your children will receive the correct books. We only repair those we sell.

School Uniform

Please bring any second hand uniforms that you wish to sell to the school from Tuesday 24th January. They must be in a clean and tidy condition and priced. Once they have been sold we will send you the cheque – 10%. We also will be well stocked in new uniforms. It is important that your child tries them on first. Name tags are available. The wearing of our Frimley School uniform is compulsory.

Year Six children

Best wishes for your future education. You are a fabulous bunch of friendly and reliable young New Zealanders. We feel very proud of your achievements, but more importantly those citizenship qualities and personalities that you so frequently displayed. Remember success comes to those who have a strong work ethic so don't waste the rest of your education. If you want to get your polo shirt signed after the final assembly on Thursday, you must bring a permission note from your parent.

To those parents whom Thursday will bring to an end their direct association with Frimley, our sincere thanks for being so supportive. Special thanks to those families who have had a long association and served on any committees or helped in anyway.

The Yr 6 "ART DECO" farewell function last Thursday evening was memorable. Sincere thanks to all of those who were involved in the organisation of it.

Learning Journey – It is important, apart from our Yr 6 pupils, that we have all of these returned so that their teacher next year can see the standard your child is capable of. They will be handed out for you to keep at the first set of parent interviews in 2012.

Reflections 2011

This was issued to the eldest child in every family with today's newsletter. Once again it is a fabulous record of Frimley in Action 2011. Extra copies are available from the office at \$5 each. Sincere thanks to all of those responsible for its publication.

"The Year that Was" Hawkes Bay Today 2011 – Unlike other schools, our page in this publication was written by a group of Yr 6 children. Thank you to all of them for the wonderful job that they did.

Frimley School Road Patrollers- Well Done for winning the Road Patrol Shield for 2011. Congratulations to everyone involved with our Road Patrol you all do a wonderful job in all weathers. We need a number of extra parent helpers in 2011.

Telecom - Special thank you to the Telecom Customers who choose Frimley Primary as their favourite School to receive free books. We have received 15 books this year for our library.

Frimley School Facilities

We are very proud of our facilities and would appreciate it if you contacted the police immediately if you are aware of any unacceptable behaviour in or around the school grounds. There are signs around telling skateboarders that they are prohibited and liable to prosecution. Surveillance cameras are fully operational and the security company has been instructed to take action.

Staff Leaving

Jean Dixon (Retiring after 14 years of very loyal and dedicated service to Frimley. The children you taught will remember your passion for literacy and your artistic flair). Heidi Slavin and Nicky Hewitt (Maternity Leave). Kate Redward, Michelle Fritchley, Liz Bartleet (Fixed Term Teaching positions). Ellie Benson (USA Teacher Trainee who is travelling around the South Island prior to returning home). Sincere thanks to all of you for the wonderful job you have done and best wishes for your future endeavours.

Staffing

We are indeed very fortunate to have such a dedicated, talented and hardworking staff throughout the school. I trust that the wider community really appreciates how they go way beyond the call of duty for your children and the benefit of Frimley School. Sincere thanks to every one of you. You are a wonderful team and it is your collegiality and teamwork that creates and fosters our success. Enjoy a well deserved break. Relax and enjoy.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, our parents, for your co-operation and involvement during the year. Special thanks to John's Bakery, Bakers Delight and Bay Espresso for their donations to our lunch bar.



Frimley continues to go from strength to strength. 2012 is already looking exciting with the major upgrade to the Senior School frontage and the Restorative Practice, Incredible Years Development that is going to take place alongside the ICT contract development

Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year to you all.

Malcolm Dixon
Principal