



BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWSLETTER

4th May 2011

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Students and Teachers,

Welcome back to school. Hopefully everyone has had a great break and is ready for another busy term.

Thank you to those families who have paid, or arranged payment, of their school donations. The lucky family that will be reimbursed for one child's school fees will be notified shortly.

School Working Bee – Saturday 7th May 1pm – 3pm

To keep our beautiful school looking its best we will be holding a working bee this Saturday – weather permitting.

We have a list of jobs that we would like to work on. They include - spreading bark, weeding gardens, moving plants, painting of chess board & road markings, signs to be concreted in, to name a few.

Many hands make light work, so if you are able to spare a couple of hours then we look forward to seeing you. Please bring anything that can assist us with these tasks, i.e.: wheelbarrows, spades, rakes, 10cm (4") paintbrush.

If the weather is not going to be obliging we will postpone it till Saturday 21st May. A decision will be made by 10am on Friday and a note will be sent home if it is postponed.

We believe that ongoing personal and professional development is important for the Board. Last weekend the Board attended a half day workshop facilitated by the Auckland Branch of the New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA). It was a very informative session that covered many different aspects and gave us a chance of meet with other trustees and up skill in different areas.

* Here is a reminder of the dates for school terms in 2011:

<i>2011</i>	<i>Term Two</i>	<i>2 May 2011 – 15 July 2011</i>
	<i>Term Three</i>	<i>1 August 2011 – 7 October 2011</i>
	<i>Term Four</i>	<i>25 October 2011 -15 December 2011</i>

* If you wish to contact any member of the Board, our details are:

Alison Gilchrist (Chairperson)	426 9790
Rhys Windybank	427 6331
Sonja Brown	424 4585
Paul Murphy	424 7590
Cushla Walsh	426 2203

* If you would like to come along to the next Board of Trustee meeting it is on **Monday 30th May at 7pm.**

Message from the Chairperson

I would like to start off this message by congratulating all our amazing students that we have in our school. Reading the weekly newsletters with the results of all the sporting activities our students are competing in is amazing.

I would like to thank all the parents, grandparents and friends of the school who help with school activities because if it wasn't for you, we wouldn't be able to do them.

If you are visiting the school please go and see the main reception area. We have an area in the foyer used to show case the amazing art work of some of our students.

I would like to thank the rest of the members of the Board of Trustees Rhys, Sonja, Paul, Cushla, Viv and Katie for all their hard work they put into the school. Knowing we have a great team looking after our school and students is very important.

A quote from Tukutuku Korero New Zealand Education Gazette

'Children are more likely to do well at school when their parents, families and whanau hold high expectations and play an active part in their learning'.

Kind Regards
Alison Gilchrist