



ONEKAWA SCHOOL

Newsletter 16 February 2012

Dear Parents

The cool and grey start to the year continues, our pool isn't as inviting as it usually is in February. It looks like sunshine will return for this Napier's Art Deco weekend. We are having our traditional Art Deco dress up day tomorrow. We hope to see lots of children dressed for the occasion.

Thank you to those families who came along to Tuesday's "Meet the Teacher" meetings. I hope you found these to be helpful.

Student Attendance

The importance of your child being at school every day cannot be over emphasised. Obviously there will be times when sickness will prevent your child from attending but at all other times your child needs to be here at school. Unfortunately a casual approach is taken by a small number of families and children are kept at home for reasons which cannot be justified. The attendance of all children is monitored daily. When patterns emerge which are a cause of concern you can expect a phone call or a home visit from Wayne. If attendance continues to be an issue the Napier Truancy service is called.

There is obviously a strong link between poor attendance and low achievement. We work hard for all children. They do need to be at school.

Meet the Staff and Board of Trustees ***Introducing the staff and BOT for 2012.***

Principal: Wayne Keats

Junior School Team

Mrs Jo Woods (Assistant Principal) Room 14
Miss Adrienne Allan, Room 15
Miss Rachel Forde, Room 16
Mrs Alana Stone, Room 17
Mrs Debbie Hamilton, Room 9
Mrs Helen Edmonds, Room 10

Middle School Team

Mrs Lynley Hyslop (Assistant Principal) Room 1
Mrs Alice Newall, Room 2
Mrs Jenny Fleming, Room 3
Mrs Kellie Harkness, Room 12
Mrs Meg van der Laarse, Room 13

Senior School Team

Mrs Dianne Groom (Deputy Principal) Room 5
Mr Paul Jamieson, Room 6
Mrs Jenny Sargison, Room 7
Mrs Margaret Grant, Room 8

Part Time Teachers

Mrs Janine Taylor
Mrs Richelle Smith
Mrs Nic Baudinet
Mrs Amanda Allen
Mrs Sue Byrne
Mrs Bev Wall

Dental Clinic

Mrs Helen Cahill
Mrs Lerlene Wright

Office

Mrs Karen Blackman
Mrs Judie Gardiner

Teacher Aides

Mrs Beth Poutu
Mrs Debbie Nordell
Mrs Deirdre Oliver
Mrs Frances McKinley
Mrs Melissa Williams
Mrs Robyn Greatrex
Mrs Rowina Lucas

Resource Teachers of Literacy

Ms Mary Wise
Mrs Helen Thompson

Caretaker

Mr Jim Gardner

Cleaners

Mrs Joanne Lloyd
Mrs Sue Boyd

Groundsman

Mr Walter Walwyn

Board of Trustees

Chairperson

Donna Carroll

Trustees

Anna Berryman
Brendon Stone
Jan Thompson
Wayne Keats

Staff Rep

Paul Jamieson

PTA Meeting: Monday 20 February at 7pm in Staffroom. ALL WELCOME!

BOT Meeting: Wednesday 22 February at 7pm in Room 4.

Stolen Bikes

Two bikes were stolen from the bike stand behind the library on Monday. This is very frustrating for all concerned. This incident has been reported to the police. Please ensure that your child has a strong lock to secure his/her bike at all times.

Taekwon-Do

A local Taekwon-Do club put on a demonstration at lunchtime yesterday. This club holds lessons at Greenmeadows School on Mondays for mini kids 5-7years at 5.00 and Mondays and Wednesdays for 7+ years at 6.00.

Community Notices

Hereworth 20/20 Celebrity Cricket Match – Friday 24th Feb – General Admission \$5 – Game starts at 2pm. Come along and see some of NZ's finest sportsmen in your own backyard including Mark Greatbatch, Ewen Chatfield, Craig McMillan, Marc Ellis and local boys James de Terte, Brad Patton and Danny Lee to name a few. For more info call Hereworth (06) 8778138 or www.hereworth.school.nz/2020