

IMPORTANT DATES

Nov 4	PTA Meeting 7.30pm
Nov 6	Senior School Mini Fair
Nov 10	Wairau Art Expo begins
Nov 11	School Athletics
Nov 12	School Athletics Save-a-Day
Nov 13	Wairau Testing for Year 6 Road Patrol finishes for Year 6

Dear Parents / Caregivers

WELCOME:

Welcome to the new children and their families who have joined our Sunnynook School community.

At our School Assembly I introduced Perseverance as our School value for this term. Perseverance means: Not to give up on anything, Stick at something until it is completed.

WALKATHON:

We have received nearly \$4500 from the Walkathon – which is very positive. Today I will be going through the classes to follow up on all children to ensure the forms and money have been returned.

EVENTS:

Term Four is a busy time of the year for schools with teachers completing assessments with the children for the End of Year Reports. Over the next weeks teachers will be finishing reading, writing and numeracy tests with the children to prepare for the reports that come home in December. It is also a term for celebration with several school events to thank our senior monitors and parents for their support of the school. End of year events are:

- Parent Helpers Afternoon Tea 2 December
- Reports 12 December
- Final Assembly 12 December
- School closes 17 December at 1.00pm

The **2009 SCHOOL DATES** are:

- Term 1 begins Tuesday 3 February to Friday 9 April
- Term 2 begins Monday 27 April to Friday 3 July
- Term 3 begins Monday 20 July to Friday 25 September
- Term 4 begins Monday 12 October

LIFE EDUCATION:

The Life Education Caravan and Harold have arrived at school and all children will be visiting the caravan over the next two weeks and will be studying Healthy Living topics such as Food for Energy and Friends. To support Harold and the Life Ed Van I would like to encourage you to pay your Terms Activity fee, which has as part a donation for Life Ed.

PUBERTY HEALTH TALKS:

This year the Year 6 boys and girls will be involved in Health Talks with the Public Health Nurse on **Tuesday 18 November**. On **Monday 17 November**, the Health Nurse will be having a Parents Evening to answer any questions and discuss the programme. Please return the form below before Thursday 13 November if you intend attending this session.

TEAM PHOTOS:

All team photos are on display in the foyer together with the order forms. The photos are \$10 each and if paying by cheque, please make payable to Friis Photography.

TRAVELWISE TIP

On Labour Day I was fortunate enough to find the time to walk along Takapuna Beach with my son. It reminded me that summer is slowly coming and also how good it is to get out and walk. Also being with 6 year old William, I realised we need to remember some simple rules. On the Travelwise Website there are some Tips for Safe Walking:

- Keep to the footpaths
- Always make eye contact with drivers to check that they have seen you before crossing roads
- Wear light coloured clothing and stay in well lit areas if walking at night
- Take care crossing roads - only cross where you can see traffic coming from all directions
- Wear comfortable and sturdy footwear
- Take water on longer walks

Start slowly and enjoy the scenery – you'll be amazed by how much better you feel and how much you can learn about your local community. The walk was also very helpful in getting an energetic boy into bed early for once!

SPORT:

Hockey – Sunnynook Tigers. The girls played really well against Hauraki and have continued to improve greatly after one week. The game resulted in a 6 – 5 win to Hauraki. Kirsty scored 3 of the goals and Summer

the other 2. Player of the day was Ayla for great defence work in stopping the ball going in the net. Well done girls.

Netball – The Sunnynook Flames Twilight Netball team won against Ponsonby 40/1. Player of the Day was Alesha Nathan who exhibited great skills and Fair Play. The team worked well together with a great attitude and team spirit at a very wet game. Well done.

SENIOR SCHOOL MUSIC ENSEMBLES DVD:

These will be available for purchase from the school at a cost of \$10. Please see separate notice.

PTA:

XMAS SHOPPING NIGHT:

PTA Meeting: Tuesday November 4 at 7.30pm

The P.T.A. are running our annual Xmas Shopping Night on **Friday 5 December**. If you would like a stall at the fair, please contact either Andreena or Jane at the school office. The cost of a stall is \$25.00. Please complete the form below and return to school as soon as possible if you would like to book a stall, help set up / man a stall on the night or both or, organise a cultural group performance.

Hangi – Last week order forms were sent home with each child. Please note, the meat is mutton and not lamb as printed on the tickets.

Peter Mulcahy - PRINCIPAL

YES, I would like to book a stall: (minimum \$25 donation)

Stall Type: Food / Christmas Shopping (please circle type & specify style).....

Yes, I would like to help:

set up during the day / man a stall on the night / both (please circle & specify time available).....

Yes, I would like to organise a cultural group performance

Number in group..... Performance style.....

NAME:..... Phone:..... Email:.....

Child's name..... Room No:.....

(please complete & return to your child's teacher)

PUBERTY HEALTH TALKS:

I / We will be attending the Parent Session on Monday 17 November at 7.00pm

Name(s):.....

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Phone No:.....

Child's Name:..... Room No:.....