

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 1	Maritime Museum Trip – Mediators
Dec 2	Parent Helpers Afternoon Tea
Dec 3	Rainbows End Trip – Road Patrol
Dec 7-8	EOTC Year 5 and 6
Dec 11	Final School Assembly Reports Home
Dec 12	PTA Camp Out
Dec 14	Junior Team Activity Day Year 6 Graduation
Dec 15	Middle Team Activity Day BOT Meeting
Dec 16	School closes at 1pm
Feb 3	2010 School Year Begins

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Kia Ora

The teaching staff are finalising the end of year reports this week so they are ready to go out on Friday December 11. The reports are a summary of the year and report on all areas of the curriculum as well as the Key Competency's.

The reports will show an expected level for Reading, Writing and Mathematics for your child and also the level your child is at. For example a Year 3 child is expected to be reading between Level 20 – 26 and the child's level will be noted on the report.

A detailed explanation of the format will go out with the report.

SCHOOL FAIR

Congratulations on the excellent final total of **over \$16,000** raised at the fair. Well done everyone, a marvellous effort.

The PTA, on behalf of Sunnynook Primary School, would like to thank the following companies for their kind donations to this year's fair: Sunnynook Pharmacy and Helen's School of Swimming

KAPA HAKA GROUP

The Kapa Haka Group participated in the Onepoto School Festival last Friday. The children had worked very hard and this showed through in their performance. They were a credit to our school. Thanks to Grant and Ruth for their hard work with the group. Also thanks to parents for supporting the school and the children.

APPA CHOIR

Congratulations to our APPA Choir group who performed at the Town Hall on Tuesday night. It was a wonderful performance – you were fabulous.

INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETICS

A full team competed at the Millennium Stadium yesterday with the results of:

Byron Smith:	High Jump (1st), 100m Sprint (2nd), 60m Sprint (1st), 200m (3rd)
Luka Urlich:	High Jump (1st), 60m Sprint (2nd), 100m Sprint (3rd)
Judith Felgate:	100m Sprint (1st), 200m (2nd), 60m Sprint (1st)
Olivia Watt:	High Jump (2nd), 100m Sprint (3rd), Long Jump (2nd)
Isabella Jones-Hill:	60m Sprint (3rd), 100m Sprint (3rd)
Amy Lambert:	High Jump (1st)
Chelsea Casson:	60m Sprint (3rd)
Nikita Sherriff:	Long Jump (2nd)
Waimarie Wynyard-Williams:	Softball Throw (2nd)
Mihinui Wynyard-Williams:	Softball Throw (2nd)
Courtney Kapi:	60m Sprint (3rd)
Stevie Barton:	Softball Throw (1st)
Summer Coughlan:	High Jump (2nd)

Girls Senior Relay: 2nd

Final Result: 3rd overall

A great result for our Athletics team. Thanks to all the parents / grandparents and staff who helped on the day.

BOARD ELECTION

The Board of Trustees Elections are due to be held early next year with the election date being Friday 7 May. The Board will appoint a Returning Officer who will run the Election. Sunnynook School operates a staggered election process where members rotate off the Board. This means we will always have experienced members on the Board. As a result of this process, we will be advertising four places on the Board. If you are interested in being in the Board please talk to a representative:

Richard Allan	479 7774	Mauricio Vas	476 7088
Adrian Munt	473 7803	Jeremy Lambert	410 1527

Or attend the next meeting on 15 December – 6.15pm in the Staffroom.

PARENT HELPERS AFTERNOON TEA

A reminder to the Parents who have been invited to the Afternoon Tea to contact the office. Look forward to seeing you.

PARENT HELP NEEDED – URGENT

We require two parents to help on the Rainbows End trip on Wednesday 3 December for a full school day. Entry to those parent helpers is free – paid for by the school. Two groups of children need parental supervision, preferably a parent of a child who is a Road Patroller. Please contact Virginia Montague on 449-3001 if you are able to help. There will be a teacher supervising as well.

ROAD PATROL - URGENT

We need a parent to supervise the crossing on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 8.20am-8.45am NOW! Contact Virginia Montague on 449-3001 if you are interested.

SCHOOL DATES

A reminder that school **closes at 1pm on Wednesday 16 December**. In 2010 we will have an Enrolment Day on Friday 29 January from 9am for any parents wishing to enrol students for the New Year with school starting on Wednesday 3 February 2010 at 8.50am

PIANO CONCERT

A Piano Concert will be held at school on Sunday 6 December. The children performing are taught by Mrs Indri Soegiharto who comes into the school each week to teach music to her students. The concert will begin at 2.00pm and will be held in the hall. All parents / caregivers are welcome to come and hear our children perform.

MINDLAB

MindLab is operating at Sunnynook in 2010! MindLab is a special thinking programme that has been operating at Sunnynook School since 2008. The programme is taken by a trained MindLab teacher with sessions at school each Friday for 40 minutes. In 2009 the sessions cost \$48 per term – this price is presently being negotiated for 2010 but is expected to be similar to 2009. If your child is not in the programme at the moment and you are interested in this programme for 2010 please complete the tear-off slip below.

Yours sincerely

Peter Mulcahy
PRINCIPAL

MINDLAB 2010

I am interested in my child participating in the MindLab Programme in 2010.

Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Phone No: _____

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Santa's Clause – A family Christmas Show

Ronald is Santa's right-hand-elf; he works for Santa 364 days a year and loves it. What he doesn't love is that Santa takes all the credit for the things Ronald does and Santa can't even remember Ronald's name! Ronald gets some advise from a lawyer with a motive of her own, and how he's suing Santa for the mistreatment of magical creatures. If Santa is found guilty it will be the end of his operations and Christmas presents! **Where:** TheatreWorks, Recreation Drive, Birkenhead. **When:** Friday 11-Saturday 19 December – Tues to Fri 7pm – Sat & Sun 4pm. **Cost:** \$12. **Book:** 419-0415.

Family Bike Fest: is now on Sunday 6 December at Sunnynook Park 10.00am–12.30pm. Bring your bikes along to this fun family event. There will be activities for children of all ages and adults including an obstacle course, skill ride, trail ride and bike decorating. Don't forget your sunscreen, food and water and of course your bike helmet. Contact North Shore City Council for more information.