

1st September 2010

No. 7/3/10

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tena Koutou Katoa

Greetings to you all

Cross Country on Friday

This Friday most of the school will be travelling by bus to the cross country races at Tiniroto.

All children attending **MUST be at school by 8.30am** as the buses will be leaving as soon as possible after that. Buses will return to school between 2.30pm and 3pm.

Children will need to bring shorts, shoes, school top, warm clothes, a coat, a towel, drink and lunch. There will be food available for purchase at the course.

If you are coming by car to support your child then **parking will be below the Tiniroto Tavern (please follow the signs)**.

Children not attending the cross country will be at school as normal.
The **postponement date** for the event is **Friday 17 September**.

Grandparents' Afternoon

On **Friday 10 September** we are inviting all grandparents to a **Grandparents' Afternoon at school. It will begin at 12 noon** with an opportunity for the grandparents to bring along a picnic lunch to share with their grandchildren. Following lunch there will be some songs and a time to visit classrooms and watch some sports events.

The afternoon will **finish at 2.20pm**.

Could you please pass on this invitation and ask grandparents to contact the school by next Wednesday if they are able to attend.

Postie Plus Donation

Good news! As part of the uniform agreement the school has with Postie Plus, they have donated **\$606.65** to the **Friends of Sonrise**.

First Aid Course

Last Saturday six members of staff attended a first aid course here at school. The course covered all the scenarios we are likely to come across at school or on activities such as camp. The course was very well presented by Trish Atkins from **SAFE** and as a bonus she checked our First Aid kits at school. A very worthwhile day!

Speeches

The students from Year 4 up have been working very hard on their speeches. The finalists will be decided on Thursday and parents and friends of the competitors will be invited to attend the finals on Tuesday morning at 11:00am.

A BIG heartfelt **thank you** to **Ju Mekomoko** for coaching netball, and **Simeon Whitley, Renae Lolohea** and **Geoff Macpherson** for coaching football these past few months. Without their fantastic commitment and coaching skills we would not have been able to field the teams that we have this year. The children have all improved in their sporting skills and appreciated the opportunity to be part of a team. Thank you too, to all the parents who supported these teams and their coaches. Well done!

Celebrations of the Week

Room 1

Hunter Hewson for excellent cross country training.

Maioha McLeod for great effort in all subjects.

Room 2

Noah Warman for excellent spelling.

Jett McLeod for always using good manners.

Room 3

Lochlan Packman for improving with his handwriting.

Michael Tupaea for being consistent in all of his schoolwork.

Room 4

Zavier Lister, Shania McLeod & Harkishan Patel for excellent group work and presentation.

Room 5

Eleanah Smith for responding with wonderment and awe in topic studies.

Principal's Award

Shaela Rose Gair for being a great organiser

House Points to date

Gold 215
Red 238
Blue 237
Green 265

Diary

Week 7

Friday 3rd September Rural Cross Country at Tiniroto

Week 8

Tuesday 7th September School Speech Contest
Wednesday 8th September Inter-school Cross Country at Show Grounds
Friday 10th September Grandparents afternoon

Week 9

Tuesday 14th September Inter-school Speech Contest
Wednesday 16th September BOT Meeting – note change of date

Week 10

Tuesday 21st September Covenant Players
Friday 24th September **End of Term 3**

Te Hapara School Centenary – 100 years on – Growing Across the Century

Centenary Date: April 22nd-23rd 2011

www.tehapara.schoolzone.net.nz

Please tell anyone who may have been associated with Te Hapara School and interested in attending our Centenary

Kind regards and God bless

Deryk Jenson