

**25<sup>th</sup> August 2010**  
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**Dear Parents/Caregivers**  
***Tena Koutou Katoa***

Greetings to you all

The Life Education van is at school for most of this week. The theme being covered is 'Self Esteem' with the younger children focusing on what makes them special and the older students being challenged about substance abuse and the dangers inherent in their use. Take the opportunity to speak with your child about what they have been learning and how God has made each one of us unique and loved by Him.

One of the questions I am often asked by parents is "What is some software that I can buy to use at home to improve my child's Maths (or reading)?"

Attached to this newsletter is a brochure with a number of programs which are available for purchase. I can recommend quite a few of them as we use them at school and the children enjoy using them. If you are interested in purchasing software for your child then here is your opportunity. If you have any questions feel free to speak to me.

Headlice still seem to be a problem at school. They are small, flat insects about 2-3cm long that breed all year round. They live on the human scalp, they cannot jump, fly or swim and they also do not carry disease. Head lice do however remain on the head after swimming or bathing/showering. School aged children should be checked regularly once a week for head lice. Look over the scalp for insects or eggs, particularly around the hairline at the back of the neck, behind the ears and on the crown. Using a fine tooth comb on wet hair with conditioner left in, is the best way to detect head lice. Treatment is needed if you find a live insect on the scalp or if you find eggs within 1cm of the scalp. Speak to your doctor, practice nurse or pharmacist for advice about what treatment to use and how to use it.

### **Celebrations of the Week**

#### **Room 1**

**Ariana McLeod** for paying attention on the mat.

**Shayden Mita** for huge improvement in oral language.

#### **Room 2**

**Tyla Tupaea** for trying hard to keep her work neat.

**Rawinia Renata** for 100% in her spelling.

### **Room 3**

**Ethan Wellington** for writing an excellent poem about School Teachers.

**Beau Campbell** for effectively using the 'Cause & Effect' thinking map in his writing.

### **Room 4**

**Mikayla Downes** for great application in her work and always being on task.

### **Room 5**

**Jesse Torrey** for enthusiasm and persistence in reading.

### **Principal's Award**

**Myah Woodcock** for being a great movie maker.

### **House Points to date**

**Gold 215**

**Red 238**

**Blue 237**

**Green 265**

### **Diary**

#### **Week 6**

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August

Daffodil Day

Mufti Day – gold coin donation

#### **Week 7**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Rural Cross Country at Tiniroto

#### **Week 8**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September

School Speech Contest (Rescheduled)

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September

Inter-school Cross Country at Show Grounds

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Grandparents afternoon

#### **Week 9**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September

Inter-school Speech Contest (Rescheduled)

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September

BOT Meeting – note change of date

#### **Week 10**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September

Covenant Players

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September

**End of Term 3**

Kind regards and God bless

*Deryk Jenson*