

29 April 2010

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK.....

Kia ora

The children are enjoying being able to be outside this week after the rain on Monday. I know some of our families have been affected by surface flooding. I hope most of this is gone now. I was pleased to see the lagoons, which the ducks were enjoying in the playground, were gone by Tuesday afternoon.

Best wishes to the duck hunters this weekend. I understand it is appropriate to wish for inclement weather as it keeps the ducks within range!!! Be safe.

The children enjoyed the Kahurangi NZ Maori Dance Theatre and their myths and legends yesterday. Some of the children and Mr McHutchon assisted in the performance – well done you guys. It was a great show.



There is a group of children going to the Highlanders Captains Run this afternoon. Hope you have a great time and get your photo taken with your favourite player!!

Please remember to be timely in letting us know what your children's plans are after school if they are different from usual. We need a note, phone call or text please. We have been caught out by children making their own arrangements in the past!!

Jane Hall

Upcoming Events.....

3 May	Starterz Football begins (4-6 year olds)
4 May	Fruit Orders & Money due in
6 May	Fruit delivered
14 May	Special Assembly to farewell Mrs Hall. 1:30pm
17 May	Welcome Miss Murray!
18 May	Head Lice Checks Bookbus for Rm 1 students
19 May	Southern Zone Cross Country – Whole School
21 May	Cross Country Postponement
2 June	PTA Meeting 7:30pm
14 June	BOT Meeting 7pm
24 June	Southern Zone Music Festival

School Banking

School banking is done every Tuesday morning at 8:50am through National Bank. If you would like an application form for a National Bank account for your child/ren, please ring the school office.

Sports Results

Hockey

Woodlands played Myross Bush Rangers and won 6 – 0. Player of the Day was Lachie Baird. Next Wednesday they will play Salford at 4pm on Turf 1 Field 2. Remember hockey practice on Tuesday at lunchtime. PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD RETURNS THEIR WOODLANDS HOCKEY STICK AFTER EACH GAME.

Moffett Cup

Moffett Cup is a Southern Zone rugby & netball tournament for Year 3 & older. Although not taking place till early Term 3, we will start practising soon and are on the lookout for rugby & netball coaches. We have so far only one volunteer coach. Please let Nicky or Colin know if you can help coach rugby or netball.

Netball

We are still on the lookout for Year 5/6 netballers for the Tuesday Future Ferns competition. Please fill out the tear-off below if your child can play.

Fun Ferns is a weekly ball skills session held at the Stadium for 5 - 7 year olds. We enter a group of Woodlands children every year and most Future Ferns players have enjoyed being a Fun Fern first! So far I have only 3 Fun Ferns. Please fill out the tear-off below if your child is interested in this. There is no cost.

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FUTURE FERNS NETBALL

More Year 5/6s needed!

My child....., Year
...is interested in playing Future Ferns netball for Woodlands School.

Signed:.....

FUN FERNS NETBALL

My child....., Year.....
is interested in attending Fun Ferns skills sessions.

Signed:.....

Absences

Parents, please let the school know when your child is absent. When a child is not at school, and we don't know why, Nicky has to spend quite a bit of time ringing parents. This is a "must do" for the safety of your children. If ringing the school is not always the easiest option, you can email admin@woodlandsfp.co.nz or text us on the school mobile phone 027 758 1503.

Weekly Awards

Certificates presented at assembly last week:

Maths	Godwin Abalos
Reading	Cilla Tomlinson
Writing	Kelly-Anne Hopper
Spelling	Kelsey Apaga

Certificates of the Week for Caring:

Room 1	Sharna Brownlie
Room 2	Grace Cuttance
Room 3	Philippa Stratford
Room 4	Cole Geddes/Ward

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Friday Sausage Sizzles will continue for the first 6 weeks of this term then we will reintroduce Burger Fridays. If you are available to cook sausages on one of those Fridays, please ring Nicky.

Zone Cross Country

For those children wanting to train at home for cross country, the distances are:

5 & 6 year olds	500 metres
7 & 8 year olds	1000 metres
9 year olds	1500 metres
10 & 11 year olds	2000 metres
12 & 13 year olds	3000 metres

PLEASE NOTE! Ages are taken as at 31 December 2010

DESPERATELY NEEDED
Plastic Grocery Bags
for Bin Liners

School Football & Touch Teams Photos
available to purchase from school office
\$4.00ea

The Annual General Meeting for the Woodlands Full Primary School PTA was held on 28 April 2010

The office bearers are as follows
 President - Vicky Mirfin
 Vice-President - Cathie Cotter
 Secretary – Fiona Dennis
 Treasurer – Maree Small

This year has been very exciting and busy for the PTA. We are thrilled to announce moneys raised in the past couple of months

Wood-he Wearable Arts	\$5366.77
Lamb and Ewe Drive/Donation	\$1592.30
Catering - Ag Research	\$270.00
Catering - Women in Dairying	\$220.00

This is an incredible effort and we give a huge thank you to both the committees involved in each event and our amazing school community for supporting us. Without you we wouldn't have been able to do it.

The great news is the PTA has now set **\$10 000 aside to go towards our new playground!!** A sub committee has been set up consisting of 2 PTA members, 2 Board members and 2 children from school to begin the process of looking for a new exciting playground for our older children and financing it. Our goal is for it to be up and the kids playing on it by the end of the year.

A special thank you also goes to Woodlands Community Development Trust who have given \$2000 to the playground.

The PTA is also giving **\$1000 towards books for our library.**

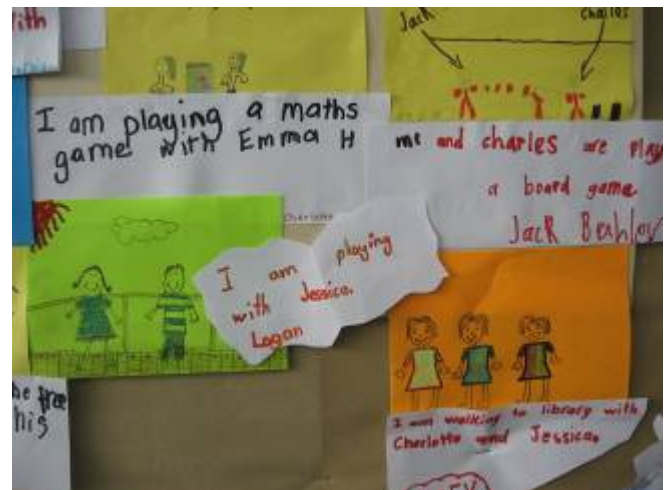
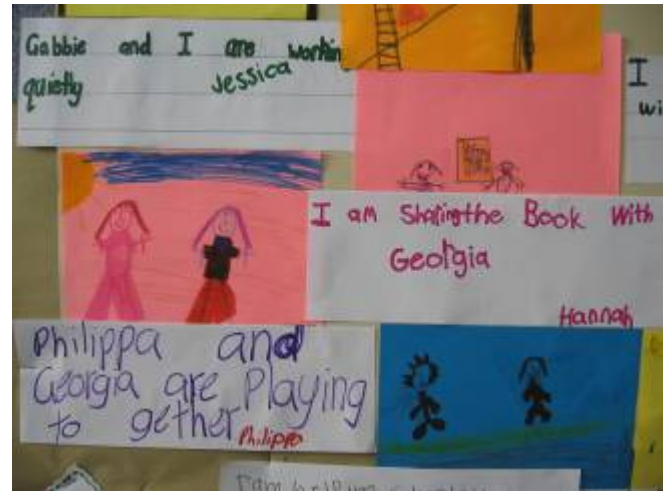
This year has been very successful for the PTA. We have a great team. All the major jobs are allocated for the year so we would love some extra people to come along and join the team.

Being a member of the Woodlands PTA gives you the benefits of working for your children while enjoying the social side of meeting new parents.

Our next meeting is at Woodlands School on 2 June at 7.30. We try very hard for meetings to only take 1 hour. Love to see you there
 Any questions please call Vicky Mirfin 2313-478 or talk to anyone else that's on the committee.

Room 3

Room 3 is learning about building a safe and positive classroom.



Board of Trustees

Six nominations were received for the six positions on our Board of Trustees. This means an election is not required. Your new Board is as follows:

Harry Cuttance	Karen Harvey
Andy Mirfin	Veronica Baird
Andy Dennis	Michelle Henderson