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Dear parents and whānau,

It was great to see so many families represented at the open forum with the Board of Trustees last Thursday evening. Again this shows the support that the school community has for our great school.

Key points from the meeting:

- A lot of questions were focused on what the classes will look like, what learning support there will be, and who will be teaching where. These questions cannot be answered right now as there is still 7 months to go between now and the start of the school year.
- What we can say is that the Board of Trustees is absolutely focused on student achievement and will focus professional development and learning support to where it can best meet the needs of our children.
- There was a lot of support at the meeting for the school. The smaller roll this year will continue to help us to focus on who we are as a country school. Rather than bring more children into the school, the consensus was to do what we do well, and be the best we can be. Others will come as they see the good we do.
- The Principal position has been advertised, and we hope to appoint a new Principal early next term. Until the new Principal can begin employment with us, Erica Leggett will be the Acting Principal.
- The Principal position has been advertised as a U2 position meaning there are between 51-100 children at the school. This is currently what we are designated however if no more children are enrolled before October, then we will become a U1 school.
- Our current roll return allows us 2.5 teachers next year.

During the meeting concerns were raised about the effects of a fluctuating school roll on our staff, and on us all, and the Board acknowledges how difficult this is for our staff and their families. Ultimately we hope that every family continues to commit whole heartedly to the school. With our recent exceptional ERO report, and the achievement that is happening in the classrooms and on the playing fields, our school is a great place for learning!

If there are any further questions or comments you would like to make, please do not hesitate to get in touch with any of the current Board.

### **July School Holidays at Tararua REAP**

A fun, free, holiday maths programme developed by Wairarapa REAP, Victoria University and the Masterton District Library and supported by the Eastern and Central Community Trust.

Designed to encourage and stimulate children to explore mathematical concepts. Professionally designed sessions delivered by experienced teachers.

Suitable for children from Year 1 to 8. Please call Tararua REAP to enrol on 06 374 6565.

### **Bead Bazaar Holiday Activities**

Keep warm and get creative at Bead Bazaar! We have some fantastic Holiday Programmes planned using our cool and colourful beads! For plenty of winter warming activities or a copy of the programme, see us at 14 George Street, Palmerston North or email [beadbazaarnz@xtra.co.nz](mailto:beadbazaarnz@xtra.co.nz)!

### **Oscar School Holiday Programme**

Monday 15 July to Friday 26 July 2013. For Primary School Age Children, fully supervised. Te Kohanga Reo O Atawhai, Tay Street, Woodville. 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday. Limited spaces, enrollment necessary. Oscar qualified and Ministry approved. WINZ subsidy may be available. Contact: Mandy 06 374 7574 or 027 433 3497 or Andrea 06 376 5885.

### **Highland Home Christian Camp - Pohangina Valley WINTER HOLIDAY CAMP**

For ages 9 to 12 years.

Date: 21st to 26th July 2013. Registration Forms are available from [www.highlandhome.co.nz](http://www.highlandhome.co.nz) Don't delay, post your forms today!!

### **Central Football Holiday Programme**

A great opportunity for children to learn new skills or refine the ones they have.

*Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July – 18<sup>th</sup> July*

*9am – 3pm*

*Ages 4 – 13 years old*

*Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School*

*\$100 for 4 days, \$30 per day and \$15 for half a day for 4 – 6 year olds*

*OR*

*Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – 23<sup>rd</sup> July*

*9am – 3pm*

*Ages 4 – 13 years old*

*Dannevirke Sports Club*

*\$30 per day and \$15 for half a day for 4 – 6 year olds*

Bring – Indoor shoes, boots, packed lunch and shin pads!

The days are tailor made for technical development of young players whether new or existing players. Players are put in age groups first and then split by ability if needs be.

8:45am – 9am – Registration

9am – 10am – Technique and skill stations + 1 Futsal station

10am – 10:20am – Morning tea

10:20 – 12noon – Skill stations + 1 Futsal station and Small Sided Games + 1 Futsal Pitch

12noon – 12:45 – Lunch (Joke time, quiz time)

12:45 – 2:50pm – Small Sided Games Tournament + 1 Futsal Pitch

As you can see we have added in Futsal as a component to the Holiday Programme, this will further develop technique in our young budding players!

To register please email

[scott@centralfootball.co.nz](mailto:scott@centralfootball.co.nz)

*“Word of Mouth” Newsletter***Child & Adolescent Oral Health Service****July 2013**

Welcome to Child and Adolescent Oral Health Service's update.

This month's newsletter details the dental clinics that are open in the remaining two weeks of term 2 and the July school holidays, 15-26<sup>th</sup> July. If your child requires emergency dental care and there is no dental clinic opened near you then please contact your family dentist or a dentist who is contracted to provide emergency dental care. This information, and the list of dental clinics that are open is available at [www.midcentraldhb.govt.nz/teeth](http://www.midcentraldhb.govt.nz/teeth), or by ringing 0800 Talk Teeth (0800 825 583).

**Fixed and Mobile Dental Clinics**

Staff are available from Monday – Friday, between 8.30am-4pm.

Clinics opened from 1 - 12 July:

- Norsewood School (Mobile), Ph 06 374 7672 or 027 669 5115 - Shannon Phillips
- Dannevirke South (from 01/07/13 - 11/07/13), Ph 06 374 7361 - Nicola Fleming, Monday - Thursday
- Eketahuna School (Mobile), Ph 06 376 8596 - Glenda Young, Monday - Friday

During the July school holidays the dental clinic at Dannevirke South School will be opened 16 July – 18 July 2013 between 8.30am and 4pm.

- Dannevirke South School (from 16/07/13 - 18/07/13), Ph 06 374 7361 - Nicola Fleming, Monday - Thursday

Further information is available at [www.midcentraldhb.govt.nz/teeth](http://www.midcentraldhb.govt.nz/teeth) or by phoning **0800 Talk Teeth (0800 825 583)**, or **(06) 350 8619**.

*Oral Health Message: Remember to brush your tongue - because tongues carry germs too.*

**Student Council Ball**

Next Thursday 11th July from 6.30pm - 8.30pm the student council is hosting a ball. The theme this year is Winter Wonderland. It will be held at the Kumeroa Hall and the cost to attend is a gold coin donation.

We will be selling raro and chippies for \$1 each.

There will be a poster outside the staffroom advertising it.

See you there!

Thanks, Student Council.

**Wakelin Wheelie Wednesday**

During Term 3, Liam Frost and Christian will be holding Wakelin Wheelie Wednesday where you can bring your wheels to school and have fun every Wednesday of the term.

In order for children to participate, we ask that they make a gold coin donation. Money raised will go towards new sports gear for the school.

Items welcome at Wheelie Wednesday include:

- bikes on the grass only
- scooters on concrete only
- skateboards on concrete only
- roller skates on concrete only
- roller blades on concrete only

The week before term finishes, we will be holding a Frosty Friday where you get to bring your wheels and get a slushie.

So please come and have fun at our Wheelie Wednesdays!

Thanks, Liam and Christian.

**Seasons Programme for Term 3**

Growing through Grief runs a support programme called **Seasons** for children and young people who have experienced loss and change through the separation and divorce of their parents, or the death of a close family member. Children come to **Seasons** once a week after school for a term. We are now taking enrolments for Term 3. For more information please phone (06)374-7655.

**Bottle Stall**

Kea Class would like to hold the first ever bottle stall at this years possum hunt and gala. We are asking families to donate any bottles from home e.g. drinks, sauces, jars of lollies, bubble bath, anything non alcoholic in a bottle or container. The class that brings the most (based on an average) will win a prize! Please send your full bottles to the Kea's before Wednesday 10th July. Thank you all so much in advance.

Kea Class.

**The Soup Pot**

Ever wanted a healthy and tasty hot lunch? Well now it's here at Kumeroa-Hopelands School!

Starting Term 3, Week 2, every Tuesday and Thursday we will have hot, delicious, home made soup taken straight from the pot.

Soup choices will be Chicken or Pumpkin. All you need to bring is your own....

- Mug
- Spoon
- and money

Cost is \$2.00 per mug, bread is \$0.50 extra. Money is to be handed to Nic Frost or Jessie Ellingham before school. You will be given a stamp so at lunch you will get your soup with no hassle.

This is part of our making school a better place project.

Thanks, the Soup Pot Team.