

NEWSLETTER NO 11

Thursday 23 July 2009

Dear Parents/Caregivers

A warm welcome back to school to all students for Term 3. I hope you had a great holiday despite the poor weather for the duration of the school holidays. This Term is going to be both challenging and exciting as we count down towards our school production in Week 10. The performance dates are 21, 22, 23 and 24 September. The theme will be Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat and the cost per ticket is \$5.00. Public sales will commence on 9th September and tickets can be purchased from the school office. Please note that the production cast and choir will have the opportunity to buy tickets prior to the above date.

Parent Interviews 29th and 30th June.

Thank you to all parents who attended the parent interviews. The weather was particularly cold at the time and the teachers appreciated your attendance very much. A reminder, that if you missed out on an interview last term, please contact the school office on 9398216 and we will arrange an interview time for you.

Book Fair



As was mentioned in the previous newsletter, Heather Walker hosted a book fair that ran in conjunction with the parent interviews.

This was a very successful fundraiser and the school was able to purchase a range of new books for our library as a result. Thanks to all parents who supported this venture.

School Uniform

A reminder that students are expected to wear the correct school uniform at all times. 'Hoodies' are not permitted to be used as coats for travelling to and from school. I have noticed that a number of students are not wearing the correct shoes. Students must wear black leather shoes or black sports shoes with black laces. Chucks or shoes of any other colour are not permitted.



Dental Clinic

You may be aware that we have had a school dental clinic on site, which catered for Naenae Intermediate students and children from other contributing schools in the local area. This has now been relocated to Avalon Primary School. If your child requires dental treatment, please contact the dental staff on 9399600. This relocation is temporary and pending on the construction of a new dental clinic building on or near the existing site.

Events

On **Wednesday 26 August** the Kahurangi Theatre Company will perform for the whole school. Their shows are of the highest quality and from my experience, they ensure that the audience are well entertained.



On **Friday 31 July** the Lower Hutt Town Hall will host the **Regional Secondary Schools Kapahaka Competition**. This will commence at 8.30am and should take up most of the day. This will be an exciting event with many talented secondary school students involved, including a number of ex-Naenae Intermediate students.

The Living Museum



The Venture Class has been working on an interesting project during Term 2 as part of Inquiry Learning.

The project was named 'The Living Museum' and involved each student actually becoming a famous character that they chose and did research on. In the last week of term, the students were dressed up in their character's costume and answered questions for visitors. I was very delighted at the high standard of achievement and positive attitude shown by the students involved. Congratulations to Vicki Adam for organising such a wonderful event.

School Donation/Technicraft Fees

As the end of year approaches, we would like to remind you that if your child wishes to receive a copy of the School Magazine and attend the School Dinner/Disco, Technicraft Fees must be paid. Technicraft Fees are \$60 per year.

People can be divided into three groups: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen and those who wonder what happened.

John Newbern

Peter Papas
(Acting Principal)