



NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

Wesley Tiatia-Farani, Elika Tutagalevao, Shannon Moka, Journey Cecil,

We welcome all children and families to our school and hope you will have a happy and enjoyable time with us.

CHRISTCHURCH EARTHQUAKE

On Tuesday 1 March, at 12:51pm the school gathered together to observe 2 minutes silence in remembrance of the victims of the tragic earthquake in Christchurch on the 22 February. Children and staff sang the National Anthem and placed coins on the word "Christchurch", fundraising \$1920.00 for the victims of the earthquake. We thank you for your kind donation, and offer condolences to all our families who have been affected by the earthquake. Staff and children are continuing to fundraise over the coming weeks and hope to make another donation to the appeal in the near future.



HEAD BOY/GIRL AND PREFECTS

Congratulations to the new Y8 School Leaders who have been selected by their peers and staff:



From left (standing) Angela Hann, Brandee Suamasi, Neill Kulupa, David and Alan Hoang, David Faamu, Delisha Silipa, Michelle Nguyen. Front row (seated) Janelle Tautaiolefua, Head boy Brandon Pulu, Head Girl Analeah Petaia, and Danielle Moa

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Appointments are now being made for interviews on the 31 March. If you have not received an appointment request from your child please contact the office and an appointment time for can be arranged for you.

Parent and Teacher Interviews give you an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress and to build communication and understanding between home and school. All parents and caregivers are expected to attend. To assist parents attending these are some possible questions you might like to ask:

- *How is my child progressing?*
- *Are there ways I can help at home?*
- *Does my child need special help?*
- *How does my child get on with other members of the class?*
- *Does my child participate in class activities?*
- *Does my child complete assignments and homework?*
- *What is my child's behaviour like at school?*
- *How well is my child doing in tests and assessments?*

Acknowledgement: Principals' Digests



**11 March
2011**

WELCOME

**Christchurch
Earthquake**

**Parent Teacher
Interviews**

**Head Boy/Girl and
Prefects**

**Forthcoming
Events**

Ambury Farm Park

**Messages for
students**

**Leaving school
early**



16 March	BOT Meeting 7pm
31 March	Parent Teacher interviews School closing at 2pm
15 April	Last day of Term 1
22-25 April	Easter & Anzac Day (in holiday time)
2 May	Term 2 starts

MESSAGES FOR STUDENTS

A reminder to parents to please help us by informing your child what is happening after school before they leave in the morning. The office are happy to relay messages to students in an emergency situation. Thank you for your support in this.

WINTER UNIFORM

The office will be selling winter uniform from the 21st March. Students will need a polar fleece and track pants for the winter months.

Polar Fleece \$35
Trackpants \$25
Polo Shirts \$25



NEW ENROLMENTS

Please contact the school if you have family or friends wishing to enrol at our school. We would be delighted to meet them.

CHILDREN LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY

It is a Ministry of Education requirement that children should not be leaving school early for non essential reasons. We would ask that you try to make appointments for after school hours. Your co-operation in this matter is much appreciated.



AMBURY FARM PARK

Last week Explorer Pod visited Ambury Park Farm as part of their unit study on Farm Life. Farm managers explained about the Farming industry, the types and different breeds of animals and the care of them. Students were allowed to have first hand experience of sheep shearing, petting and feeding the animals. It was a super experience for all concerned. A special thank you to all the parent helpers who accompanied us.



School will close

THURSDAY

31 March

at **2 pm** for

PARENT INTERVIEWS

Please collect your children promptly.

TERM DATES
2011

Term 1
1 Feb—15 April

Term 2
2 May—15 July

Term 3
1 Aug—7 October

Term 4
25 Oct -15 Dec

J MILNER - Principal