

May 9 2006



WELCOME

Welcome Tyrone Taeloa, Ammon Pulu, Atasi and Hatesa Faalogo, Aykok Ing, Josiah Peipi, Harmony Walker-Takai, Tracy Ng and Jared Teina, Paris Tagilila, Tamzin Na'a, and Sylance and Haimoana Hakopa.

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

WINTER UNIFORM

This is now available from the school office. Children will need track pants and a polar fleece for the winter. They are allowed to wear shoes and socks of their own choice and a raincoat to and from school.

Polar Fleece

Sizes 4—14 \$25
 Sizes Small Mens—Large \$35

Track Pants All sizes \$25

ANZAC ASSEMBLY

Endeavour Pod presented a special ANZAC Service to the school on Monday May 1st. The service included an item sung by Endeavour Pod, titled "Lest We Forget", which illustrated what it was like to be involved in the War. At the end we stood in silence, listening to the Last Post being played. Alvin Dass read a poem titled "In Flanders Field" and David Tomlinson shared a poem he had written himself (see below). Many of the teachers wore medals and poppies which reminded them of their close family members who served in the war. It was a special event that will never let us forget those brave soldiers and nurses who went into battle for us so we could have freedom in New Zealand.

FIVE SENSES POEM OF WAR

Smells like smoke shooting across the black sky.

Looks like white angels flying across the battlefield.

Sounds like boots running across the muddy trenches.

Tastes like ashes scattered around on the red poppies.

Feels like a poppy in complete darkness.

By Constance Rennie

CUSTODY ISSUES

Family circumstances frequently change and children move around family homes. It is very important that we are kept up to date with addresses and custody arrangements. By law unless the school has documents stating otherwise, both parents have legal access to children.

Please help us to keep your children safe.

OPEN DOOR POLICY

From time to time parents have questions or concerns relating to their child at school. To address this, the school has an open door policy where I am available to see parents whenever possible without an appointment. Should you require a set time please contact the school on Ph 263 9060 and check the availability of staff. Teachers are available between 8.30 and 9 am and 3.00—3.30 pm unless another arrangement has been made.



Fiatau Sekene and Oriana Tagiilima looking at Ms Leaning's father's War Medals after Assembly.



FIVE SENSES POEM OF WAR

Smells like sulphur from the gunpowder of cannons.

Looks like a battlefield all forlorn, littered with brown and white uniforms.

Sounds like triumphant cheers at the end and when the last post is played.

Tastes like sweat dripping down the forehead, into the lips.

Feels like rough, hardened skin after challenging labour all day.

By David Tomlinson



FESTIVAL OF BOOKS

MAY 18 2006 AT 7PM IN THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE. COME ALONG AND HEAR HOW YOU CAN ASSIST YOUR CHILD WITH THEIR READING.

BIG BARGAIN BOOK SALE AVAILABLE

GOLF COACHING

Commencing on Thursday May 4, pupils from the middle and senior school were coached by a **Golf** professional from the Auckland Golf Association. Each pupil has, or will, participate in two golf sessions, with the latter session enabling the pupils to put into practice skills learnt in the first session. We will continue to include golfing activities in our class physical education lessons, thus providing the majority of our pupils with a wide range of physical activities and the learning of new skills which may be used in the future.

UNIT STUDY TOPICS



The Pods are studying the following:

- Apollo:** Fairy Tales: They had a super "slipper day"
- Discovery:** Traditional Tales
- Voyager:** Looking after Pets
- Explorer:** First Steps into Fantasy
- Challenger:** Fantasy
- Endeavour:** Anzac: Lest we Forget—WW1 And WW2

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- May 4 Golf lessons for Senior/Middle School
- May 8 & 9 Golf lessons for Senior/Middle School
- May 11 & 12 Golf lessons for Senior/Middle School
- May 12 Sports Exchange at Dawson Primary 2 pm
- May 15 Drain Game with Endeavour children
- May 18 Festival of Books Evening 7pm—8pm the Performing Arts Centre and book sale
- May 18 PTA meeting 2.30 pm in Staffroom
- May 24 Class Photos
- May 24 Board of Trustees Meeting 7.30 pm
- May 25 Patrols to a Movie with the Police
- May 26 Sports exchange with Dawson at Redoubt School

JANE MILNER
Principal



On Friday May 26 we will be hosting two mixed **Soccer** teams from Dawson Primary. Play will commence at 1pm and finish at 2.20pm. Such exchanges give many of our pupils the opportunity to put into practice, skills learnt during class physical education lessons. Caregivers are most welcome to come along and support our pupils.

Later on in the term we will travel to Dawson Primary to challenge them at **Touch Rugby**—further details closer to the time.

NEWLY GRADUATED TEACHERS

Congratulations to Ms S Candy, Ms K Robinson, Mr D Thompson, Ms C Tegg, and Ms T Bevan who recently graduated and collected their degree certificates at Auckland University. Well done on your achievements.

