

NEWSLETTER – 13 NOVEMBER 2009

Kia Ora, Talofa, Kia Orana, Malo e lelei, Ni Sa Bula, Assalam Alaikum, Ni hao, Namaste, Buon Giorno.



Welcome!

We welcome three new students to our school this term. Jack Wesley (Year 6) who started on 2 November, Jayden Handscomb (Year 2) who started on 9 November, and Aden Stallard (Year 7) who started on 10 November. We hope the three of you enjoy learning and making new friends at Miramar South School!

School Website

www.miramarsouth.school.nz

We now have a live school website! This has been developed over the last few weeks and we hope you are as happy with how it presents the school as we are. The site contains recent newsletters and events, photo gallery, and general information on the school. If you are able, please have a look. Some of the children at school have seen the website and are very impressed. Your feedback on how it looks is much appreciated.



CSI Evening Coming Up

Please come along to our C.S.I. evening which is to be held in Broadway North at the school on Tuesday 17 November from 7-8pm. Supper will be provided. C.S.I. means "Comprehensive Strategies Instruction". This is a reading resource which is being used in one of our senior classes currently and will be used with Year 6-8 students in 2010. Our senior class was recently filmed for an educational video which is shown at teaching seminars around the country. We would love you to come and see how we are teaching your children! Perhaps you have friends and family with students thinking of coming to Miramar South School for their Year 7 and 8 years before they head off to college. This is a great chance to see what our school has to offer.

Absentees / Late Students



Please remember to contact the school as soon as possible in the morning if you know your child will be absent from school. We have a cellphone you can text 0277-480100 (**text only**), you can phone us on 04-3886070 or e mail us at miramaroffice@paradise.net.nz. The bell to begin school goes at 8.50am. Please remind your children that if they are running late, they must check in at the school office so that we know they have arrived at school safely. If we do not hear from you about your child's absence, we are required by the Ministry to use contact details provided by you to find your child. We do this for your child's safety. All absences are kept as an electronic record as part of the Ministry of Education policies. Children who are absent too often without reason are referred to Truancy Services and then if necessary to CYFS.



Nit Alert!

We have had a report that we may have nits going around some children in the school. Please check your child's hair and contact your chemist for any advice on getting rid of the critters. Nits love all hair – clean or dirty – they just love hair!



ASB School Banking

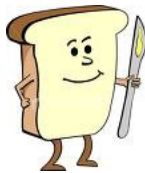
ASB If you wish your child to do ASB school banking you can get registration packs from the school office. You need to fill out the application forms (two parts) and return to the school office. The bank will advise you by letter of your child's account number, then you can start depositing money! Deposit envelopes can be picked up from Kashin the Elephant in the school reception area. Deposits can be made into Kashin and is cleared and sent to ASB when we do the school banking fortnightly. The school will take care of the identification of your child, so you won't need to provide a copy of their birth certificate. If you have any questions about the form or school banking please don't hesitate to contact ASB Lambton Quay on 4990864. This is a great way to encourage your children to save.

Congratulations!

Well done to Vishnu and Vishnun Khun's family who were first to return their completed cultural consultation forms. They won \$100 worth of books for a great effort!



Breakfast Co-op



Please make use of our Breakfast Co-op during term time. We provide good quality food products for you to purchase for your family – milk, bread, cereals, and canned foods. Please have a look at the order form that your child brings home each Monday. Orders need to be in on Tuesday mornings, and goods picked up from 2.45pm until just after 3.00pm on a Thursday. Pay when your child brings in the order, or pay on pickup. If you wish to set up a regular weekly order to save filling out weekly orders please let us know.

What's Coming Up

14 November	South Coast Clean Up.
17 November	CSI Open Evening – Ms Smith's Room - 7pm
18 November	Eastern Zone Athletics.
4 December	Beach Education Day.
9 December	Year 7 and 8 Formal.
16 December	Prizegiving – 6.30pm start.
17 December	End of Term 4.
3 February	Beginning of Term 1 – 2010!



Jeanette De La Mare

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Community Notices

- Regional Public Health – "Sexual Health – Train the Trainer Training". For all Pacific Peoples. Presented by Twiggy Johnston and Susana Kilioni. Register by phone or text to Susanna on 5709625 or 027-7255755. Feel free to call them if you need transport or you need to take your young children along.
- Aldridge Optometrists in Kilbirnie advise 50% off all frames in store for couple of months.
- Celia Lashlie talk – Living and Working with Boys and Men. Wednesday 2 December from 4-5.30pm at Titahi Bay Intermediate School Hall, Kahutea Terrace, Titahi Bay, Porirua. \$15 entry. Telephone 2377318 to register.
- Ray the cat needs a home. Three years old. Female. Phone 021-2961563 if you can help. Owner going to England.