



Dear Parents

School Survey

During Term 4 of last year, we conducted our triennial school survey. All school families were given the opportunity to take part and I would like to once again thank all those who did. Your input is valued and appreciated and will be an integral factor as the Board of Trustees and School Leadership Team prepare the 2010—2012 Strategic Plan for the school.

The Board and School staff were extremely pleased and heartened with the positive results, which are an acknowledgement of the direction the Board and Staff have continued to take.

Next Thursday, a full copy of the survey results will be sent to all school families. A big thank you to Fuji Xerox who have colour copied the survey for each school family free of charge.

School Donations and Fees

Accounts for school donations and fees were sent out recently. Thank you to those who have already paid their donation and or fees.

School donations complement operational funding we receive from the Ministry of Education. Ministry of Education funding pays for basic costs and hence school donations are crucial to being able to provide the quality of resources and activities we want for our children. School donations are targeted toward teaching and learning resources, additional teaching staff, computers, sports equipment and library books.

Every child in the school benefits from the parent contribution, and without this financial support we are unable to provide some of those extras that make a difference to the children's schooling.

Therefore I urge all school families to pay the donation and that fees applicable to the year level for your child are paid promptly.

As always, if paying the donation in full at this time would cause financial hardship, arrangements can be made.

A reminder that school donations are fully tax deductible and there is a 5% discount for payments on donations if made before March 31st.

Project Endeavour

No doubt you have been keeping an eye on the progress of our new building, which has really taken shape during the term and is looking fantastic.

At this stage, hand over date is expected to be mid May which will be a very exciting time for all.

One of the speciality rooms in the new block is a Science and Technology room which is to be outfitted with various appliances.

Can you help?

Four of the appliances we need for this room are;

- 2 x ovens
- 2 x microwaves
- 1 x fridge/freezer
- 1 x dishwasher

If there is anyone in the school community who has a contact in the whiteware industry and would be able to help us with purchasing the above, I would be keen to hear from you.

Student Leaders

At Citizenship Assembly last Friday, four Year 8 students were inducted as our first Student Leaders for the 2010 school year. Student Leaders are those Year 8 students who consistently display our School Values, leadership and outstanding citizenship. Congratulations to our Student Leaders; Morgan Dalton-Mill, Cameron Tuckey, Sandith Godigamuwa and Scott Herbert.



Establishment Board of Trustees for Mt Wellington School.

The Ministry of Education has an establishment Board of Trustees for Mt Wellington School. The school will be located on Stonemasons Road, in the Stonefields development, Mt Wellington Quarry. The school will open in February 2011. The establishment board has been operating since June last year, but a vacancy has arisen which they are seeking to fill. Construction has begun on the new school and a Principal has been appointed.

The establishment Board of Trustees has the responsibility, together with a governance facilitator, of preparing the school for opening. It is a voluntary position. Meetings are held fortnightly but will be moving to monthly.

This position may be of particular interest to members of the St. Heliers School community currently residing in the St Johns area who may be considering sending their children Mt Wellington School when it is opened.

For more information including an information pack please contact: **Anne Bowmar** on 632 9427 or anne.bowmar@minedu.govt.nz

Uniform Shop

There will be a second hand sale of school uniform on **Tuesday 30 March** from 8.15am to 8.45am in the hall. We have a large range of stock for you to choose from, including jerseys, jackets and socks for the coming winter season. Arrive early to avoid disappointment.

Maori and Pacific Ethnicity

Kia Ora,

We are required by the Ministry of Education to keep a register at school of any students with Maori and Pacific Island ethnicity for tracking progress and achievement.

I am currently updating the register and ask that parents and caregivers let me know any relevant information for our register please.

I am also available to discuss any issues around Maori and Pacific Island students. Please feel free to contact me at anytime. **Mrs Palmer, Deputy Principal**

Travelwise

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Travelwise 'Feet First' week March 1-5 2010. We managed to get 52% of our students walking, scootering, busing or biking for five days that week. All students who completed 5 days on their certificate received a blue star and 5 classes won extra goody bags for their efforts. Room 16 were the best of the classes, followed closely by Room 26, then Room 2, Room 15 and Room 12. **Congratulations everyone.**

Kind regards,



Principal

Citizenship Assembly

Congratulations to the Year 1-8 children who received Citizenship Awards at 19 March assembly.

Student Name	Room	Year	Citation
Brooke Thompson	1	1	Demonstrating diligence and responsibility, and displaying a thoughtful and considerate attitude to children who are new to school.
Lily Phipps	2	1	Consistently displaying our St Heliers School Values of honesty, responsibility, diligence, self-discipline and respect.
Jenna McLaren	3	1	Jenna is a diligent student who is always courteous, showing care and respect to all. She is an extremely responsible and reliable role model in Room 3.
Olivia Eady	9	1	Consistently displaying all St Heliers School Values.
Charlotte Lyons	4	2	Diligence in her reading and the related reading activities and for her wonderful manners. Well done Charlotte!
Emily Huggett	5	2	Being a conscientious and hard working student who tries her best in every thing she does.
Lily Dybvig	6	2	Consistently up holding all of the School Values. A great role model.
Sophie White	8	2	Always being friendly and helpful with everybody in Room 8.
Phoebe Videbeck	10	2	Being a caring and considerate member of our class.
Rachel Edwards	7	3	Demonstrating respect for our class and school environment and taking initiative to keep them looking superb.
Laura Oh	11	3	Demonstrating responsibility and care for both the classroom and school environment and for always being willing to help.
Holly van der Merwe	13	3	Consistently upholding all our School Values, both in and out of the classroom.
Rosalie Flokstra	26	3	Kindness to others and for always demonstrating reliability and a hard working attitude in class.
Nikita Horselenberg	15	4	Exemplary behaviour and empathy towards other class members which displays a commitment to upholding the School Values of respect and responsibility.
Jack Sheridan	16	4	Being an mature responsible and trustworthy member of the class who takes it upon himself to help out around the class.
Ruby Napier	22	4	Being a caring and considerate child who always displays impeccable manners and courtesy to others.
Jessica Ellis	12	5	Being a valued helper in the classroom and displaying great citizenship qualities of responsibility and diligence.
William Heaps	14	5	Being a helpful and aware student who consistently displays all School Values to peers and teachers.
Noah Hinds	17	5	Being a consistently diligent student with an excellent standard of behaviour.
Cari Morris	18	6	Her diligence towards her schoolwork and her responsible attitude around the school.
Sam Dybvig	23	6	His responsible, respectful and courteous attitude towards others and his conscientious shown towards his school work.
Samantha Calubag	24	6	Upholding all of the School Values, especially responsibility and respect.
Sophie Vreeburg	21	7	Consistently modelling diligence and responsibility, as well as displaying a high level of self discipline.
Thiepa Sivanesan	25	7	Consistently upholding all of our School Values and for demonstrating maturity and responsibility at all times.
Scott Herbert	19	8	Always upholding all of the School Values, making mature decisions and being kind and respectful to everyone.
Sandith Godigamuwa	20	8	Sandith upholds all the School Values while consistently cheerful and considerate to others.

Merit Assembly

Congratulations to the Year 5-8 children who received Merit Awards at 12 March assembly.

Student name	Room	Year	Student name	Room	Year	Student name	Room	Year
Kate Balsillie	12	5	Rebekah Stewart	18	6	Ryan Hubbard	21	7
Salome Wara	12	5	Leilani Colenutt	18	6	Fernando Navarette Andrade	25	7
Helena Hape	12	5	Camille Lalancette	23	6	Victoria Cruz	25	7
Tarun Muralidhar	12	5	Vishaal Lingham	23	6	Thi Aung Nyunt	25	7
Grace Mackenzie	14	5	Maya Luthi	23	6	Hannah Page	25	7
Kyla Graham	14	5	Min Jae Jung	24	6	Anastasia Vostrukhina	19	8
Ryan Curran	14	5	Nicholas Dalton-Mill	24	6	Elin Morris	19	8
Jessica Henley	17	5	Jesse Han	24	6	Janina Neder	19	8
Layehmon Einoon	17	5	Ralph Park	21	7	Laura Langley	20	8
Summet Minhas	17	5	Gabrielle Orr	21	7	Bethany Grace	20	8
Ye Thu Soe	18	6	Rene Neder	21	7	Morgan Dalton-Mill	20	8

TENNIS - April Autumn Holidays 2010

Glendowie Tennis Club has a coaching course scheduled for the second week of the holidays: Monday to Friday 12-16 April, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, five mornings. Focus on fun, ball and racquet skills, ball machine drills, video analysis, game rules, tactics and technique - challenges for all players aged 5-15, RAIN OR SHINE. Bring tennis shoes, hat, sunscreen, drink bottle and snack, warm/waterproof top, racquet (can be hired). \$100, with discounts for Junior Club members and larger families. Please contact Campbell Cramer-Roberts (GTC Coach) on 575-7845 or CampbellCR@xtra.co.nz to book a place, with student's name, age and phone no., then please accompany your child to registration at the Club on the first day. Looking forward to seeing you!



Glendowie OSCARS Holiday Programme

When: 6th – 16th April 2010
Where: Glendowie Primary School
Times: 8am – 6pm

We aim to create a safe, happy and fun environment for your children with a wide variety of activities and games to choose from both indoors and outdoors. A quiet space and cooking area is also provided.

For more details please contact:

Website: www.oscars.co.nz

Email: che@oscars.co.nz

Phone: 021 367 243



School Holiday Programme

Multi-Sport

9:00am—4.15pm

An opportunity to try out an array of sports in a fun environment

AFL Kwikick	Indoor Soccer	Basketball
Badminton	Touch Rugby	Handball
Volleyball	Table Tennis	Lacrosse
Indoor Netball	BloKarts	(all sports subject to availability)

Netball

Yrs 1—4, 9:00am to 12:00 noon

Yrs 5—9, 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Our netball programme promotes learning new skills, up skilling, extending existing skills in a fun & energetic learning environment.

Cheerleading

Yrs 1—4, 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Yrs 5—9, 9:00am to 12:00 noon

A fun and organized programme for beginner and intermediate cheerleaders.

Register online or for more information contact Trish O'Brien— Wilcox 570 0030 ext 204

www.aucklandnetball.co.nz

AMI Netball Centre Auckland Netball, 7 Allison Ferguson Drive, St Johns, Auckland

