

Dates to Remember

**Assembly on Fridays at 2.30pm
in the hall - all welcome**

Term 4

Tuesday 1st November

BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm in staff room

Thursday 3rd November

1 can for 1 movie ticket offer day

Friday 4th November

Selling of the cowpat bingo tickets
outside countdown.

Friday November 11th

APS Friday Night Fiesta

Monday November 14

Teacher Only Day. School will be closed
for instruction on this day.

Last day of Term 4

Friday 16th December

Cans Film Festival

This Thursday 3rd November during morning tea time your children have the opportunity to bring in a can of food in exchange for a free movie ticket for State Cinema for a movie showing on Wednesday 9th November.

We have a limited number of tickets available so first in first served. 1 can for 1 ticket. The tickets are labelled for each movie so make sure your child knows what movie ticket to choose (a 2nd choice option would be good if your 1st choice runs out).

Zoo Keeper	-	6.10pm
Mr Poppers Penguins	-	6.10pm
Kung Fu Panda 2	-	6.50pm
Spy Kids 4	-	6.50pm

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HELPERS NEEDED THIS FRIDAY

We require helpers to sell Cowpat Bingo tickets this Friday 4th November outside of Countdown (opposite the Warehouse) from 9am - 3pm. We are hoping to get enough helpers to run 2 hour block sessions. Please contact Jane on 022 658 9093 if you can help.

Monday November 14

This will be a Teacher Only Day and school will be closed for instruction on this day. Please make arrangements for your child/ren to be cared for on this day. Teachers will be undertaking professional learning at school.



TOGETHER WE
ACHIEVE

Newsletter

Kia ora ra ki te whanau
Greetings

1st November 2011

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Fiesta Time!

The banner is up and preparations are well under way for our biggest fundraiser of our year. With the new idea of a twilight event we are counting on your support to make it a wonderful evening out for everyone. Gather your whanau and friends and let us know how you would like to help!

Friday Night Fiesta - Friday 11th November

Fiesta Update

Cowpat Bingo Tickets - Please make every effort to sell your tickets and return to the office asap. We have plenty of extra tickets available for you to sell if you can - please see the office or Jane Thompson from the PTA.

White Elephant Stall - donations of bric a brac are needed. Have that spring clean around home and drop off any unwanted items.

Used Clothing Stall - donations of used clothing needed (drop off in the sick bay).

Grocery Hamper - If each child could bring in one item from their class list.

Trafalgar Class - one item of a cleaning style product.

St Vincent Class - one item of a non perishable grocery item.

Nile Class - one toiletry item.

Stall Helpers - WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS FIESTA A SUCCESS,

Please contact Jane on 022 658 9093 asap to volunteer to help. We need helpers to setup/cleanup, price items and to help run a stall during the fiesta night. Many hands make light work - please contribute some of your time!

Craft Stall - Please get crafty, we need you to find your inner craft maker and create items for us to sell on the stall. Possible ideas are aprons, blank cards, sewing/knitting dolls or barbie clothes, knitting slippers, ribbon wands, funny feathery pencils, book marks, magnets, the ideas are endless.

Cake/Sweet Stall - Baking packs have been sent home. We are looking forward to seeing all your yummy creations. Extra trays and clear cellophane bags are available. If you are making treats for individual sale eg. cupcakes, gingerbread people, face biscuits etc the cellophane bags are ideal for packaging these. Sweet treats could be fudge, toffee apples, wrapped lolly necklaces, coconut ice etc.

Cafe - When baking, you could consider making items suitable for the cafe for individual sale. Cupcakes are a great seller!

Cracked or chipped plates needed for one of the games (they will be broken on the night)!

Finally - please return your fiesta help slip asap (was sent home end of Term 3)

From the Principal's Pen

I enjoyed some inspirational learning while at the Nelson Principal's Conference last week. Two Principals from Sumner in Christchurch spoke of their experience at leading and managing their schools during and following the February earthquake. There are lessons for us all in continuing to be prepared and ensuring that we have our emergency kits ready. We will be adding to ours and buying a brightly coloured wheelie bin to house it all! Our evacuation procedures have all been reviewed this year in light of the earthquakes in Christchurch. Nathan Mikaere-Wallis from the University of Canterbury presented a very interesting and dynamic talk about the development of the brain at the crucial time between 0 and 3 years and the years up to the age of seven. His research underpins our belief that children need to be able to move, touch and experience learning to learn. Through active participation and social interaction children prepare for reading and writing readiness and by the age of seven the brain is well equipped for literacy and numeracy learning. Fascinating stuff! If you are interested to find out more try these links. <http://www.jemmas.co.nz/Behaviour%20handout.pdf> or http://wikieducator.org/Professional_Inquiry/Nathan_Mikaere_Wallis

Best wishes

Sonya

Special People

Friday Assembly - Week 1 Term 4

Trafalgar Room:

Conroy Douglas: Being a good citizen - working hard and doing the right thing.

Samuel Stevens: Making excellent progress with reading.

St. Vincent Room:

Alice Smith: Fantastic art on Fiesta poster.

Jack Thompson: For being a great helper to Beat in his Swiss presentation.

Nile Room:

Allan Johnson: Leadership, Maturity and outstanding contribution to Nile class.

Ricky Hall: Phenomenal first week of term.

Leading Light Award: Victoria Stringer for bring a friendly, reliable and all round wonderful citizen of St Vincent class.

Fair Play Award: Sequoia Baker-Mantell: For including others in games and being kind.

Gold Card Citizenship Award: Paige Coulter.