

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 2011

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Time is flying by and we are now in the final term of the 2011 school year. We have had a very busy third term with a pleasing level of student participation and achievement. Term Four is also shaping up to be a busy one. Many events and learning experiences are being planned for our students.

Inquiry Topic – Election 2011

Our major topic for this term is the Election. Students will be learning about different forms of government and developing an understanding of how New Zealand selects their representatives. Each class will have the opportunity to carry out their own election with the support of the 'Kids Voting' website. We will be making links to this topic through Literacy by looking at Persuasive Text.

Health Programmes

Later in the term we will be carrying out our annual Health Programmes. Year 5 students will focus on Health and Hygiene while Year 6 students will have an introductory look at Growth and Development. We will provide more information about these programmes at a later date and ask for parental permission for Year 6 student participation.

Education Outside the Classroom

In Week 7, students will participate in the EOTC programmes. Planning is underway for the Year 5 EOTC Week and Year 6 Camp. You will have received information and permission forms for these programmes. It is important that they are filled in and sent back to school as soon as possible. This helps the planning process to run smoothly.

Homework

We appreciate your continued support with homework. The Homework Achievement Challenges need to be completed by the end of Week 2, Friday 4 November. This will allow time for us to order the Achievement Badges ready for a prize giving assembly in the final week of term. Regular homework of Reading, Spelling and Maths will continue until EOTC Week.

We look forward to an exciting term with continued student participation and success.

Yours sincerely

Bryan Trevean
Senior Team Leader

IMPORTANT DATES – TERM 4

- **Wednesday 9 November**
2012 Patroller Training
- **Friday 11 November**
Camp/EOTC Forms Due
- **Monday 14 November**
Teacher Only Day
- **Tuesday 15 November**
Interschool Athletics day
- **Wednesday 23 November**
2011 Patrollers Thank-you Trip
- **Friday 25 November**
Camp/EOTC Fees Due
- **Tuesday 29 November**
Interschool Touch Rugby
- **Monday 5 – Friday 9 December**
Year 5 EOTC Week
Year 6 Camp (Tuesday-Friday)
- **Tuesday 13 December**
Homework Prize-giving Assembly
- **Thursday 15 December**
Leavers Assembly
- **Friday 16 December**
Final Day of 2011 School Year