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Dear Parents

Term 2 wrapped up, and two great days we've just had: celebration and sharing of outcomes of Inquiry Learning centred on New Zealand yesterday, and another great assembly this morning, complete with a new rock band!

Enjoy the two week break with your young 'uns.

Sabbatical

As advised some weeks back, I have been granted a Principal's Sabbatical by the Ministry of Education for Term 3. Funded by the Ministry, there are 80 awarded across New Zealand each year. I will be visiting 15 or so schools in New Zealand, Australia and England. I'm obviously looking forward to the extended break, but also sure I'll return with new ideas, information and energy to share and implement within the school.

One of our D.P.'s, Richard Johnson, will be your Principal for next term.

Music Concert

We have had a number of highly complimentary comments, emails and phone calls about not only the performance but also the attitude and behavior of our pupils at last weekend's choir and instrumental performance. Well done kids and thank you to those who take the time say so.

Art Exhibition –

A number of fine pieces of work by some of our artists at the annual Northart exhibition –Year of the Tiger - at the Northcote Art Gallery. The competition, notably from intermediate level schools, was marked this year; nevertheless the Group Piece won a prize in their section. Well done all participants and their teacher, Chris Gunnell. The works will be back in school next term.

Assembly

Yesterday the sun shone for us to share the exciting learning in our Bi Cultural study. Each syndicate shared some of the results of inquiry learning across the school at an informal assembly. Everyone joined in the fun dressed as famous sporting people, kiwifruit, we even had a pavlova! Five children from our Speechmakers group gave a speech on "Proud to be a Kiwi." Congratulations Keely Harman, Christina Scott, Cameron Nicolson, Zoe Fifield and Caitlin Fisher. You all did extremely well to deliver such great speeches to a large audience.

Margaret Read

Absolutely, - an interactive fun time. Excellent recitations of pride in kiwidom! *Mr G*

100 Days at School

First Friday back (23rd July) after the holidays will mark 100 days at school. As part of our celebration we will be collecting cans for the Salvation Army, as we did last year. A notice will be sent home on the first day back but you may wish to put aside one or two cans over the holidays. Thank you.

Sheila Helleur

Buses – Last Notification of Term 3 changes

Morning Services

1687 – leaves Goldflats at 8:35am, Coatesville-Riverhead Highway, Mahoenui Valley Rd.

1601 – leaves Paremoremo Rd end of Elmore Rd at 8:25am, Elmore Rd, right onto Ridge Rd, Mahoenui Valley Rd.

1511 – leaves Potter Rd at 8:30, Potter Rd, Sunnyside Road, left on Coatesville-Riverhead Highway, Mahoenui Valley Rd

Afternoon Services

1687 – Mahoenui Valley Rd, right onto Ridge Rd, Elmore Rd, Paremoremo Rd, The Avenue

1601 – left onto Coatesville-Riverhead Highway, Sunnyside Rd, Potter Rd, right onto SH17

1511 – left onto Coatesville-Riverhead Highway, **to Goldflats only**

The new bus provider is Ritchies

Please note that our school zone is not the same as our Transport Entitlement Zone (TEZ). I am consulting with Ridgeview re adjusting our TEZ's

PFA

Don't forget the **School Disco TONIGHT!!!**

Years 1-3 from 5:30-7pm, Years 4-6 from 7:30-9:00pm at the Coatesville Hall. \$5 per child at the door plus gold coins if you'd like to buy lollies, hot dogs, glow toys and other treats. Looking forward to seeing all those pirates and princesses.

The Ag Day handbook was sent home to all new families on Wednesday. You may start raising your calf, lamb, goat or farm bird that is born from 1st July onwards for Ag Day. You may also start your plants off from 1st July. A copy of the book is on our website.

Also don't forget to support Room 8 who are running the **Sausage Sizzle** at **Coatesville Market** this Sunday 4th July from 10am to 2pm.

The next PFA meeting will be on Tuesday 27th July at 7.30pm in the ARTEC room.

Hoping you all have a great school holiday.

Kind Regards

Coatesville Playcentre is raising funds for library resources and will be selling Cadbury Dairy Milk and Caramello chocolate at the playcentre gate from 2:45-3:15pm in the first week of Tm 3. \$2.50 per 85g bar. Thanks for your support.

The Green Gym – Ph Tarnia on 0272723722 for details of next term's outdoor fitness classes.