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Dear Parents

There is a flurry of activity around the school at present! I think it has to do with syndicate productions being finalised and practised for performances later in the term. I am privy to only snippets here and there but I am looking forward to seeing how these shows come to life in a few weeks time. Should be a lot of fun!

Winter Sports Day - fifty of our senior students attended a winter sports day at Kristin School on Monday. The weather looked decidedly dodgy in the morning but blossomed into a lovely day for playing and watching sport. I managed to watch all of our teams playing (rugby, soccer, hockey, netball & mini-ball.) It was especially pleasing to see our children perform in a very positive and productive manner. Well done to all the participants for representing our school so successfully. Many thanks to Miss Ross who coordinated our teams so ably and to the parents who coached and helped out at the various sports. A great day all-round!

And we had a visit from Paul (Mr Greenstreet) yesterday. He is fit and well and nearly ready to head off on the main part of his sabbatical over in Europe and other parts, learning many things as he goes. It will be good to hear about his adventures upon his return.

Donation Update

Thank you to all families who have paid all or part of this year's donation. We really appreciate your contribution to the school. For your interest, the donation return so far this year is as follows:

- 61% of families - paid in full
- 20% of families - paid in part
- 19% of families - paid nil

Remember that 33% of all school donations may be claimed back from Inland Revenue.

Scholastic Books

The latest order has been sent home today and is due back to the red letterbox by Monday 6th September. Cheques to Scholastic NZ – one payment by cheque or credit card for entire order, even if your children are in different rooms. If parents want to have any of the order held in the office for collection please write a note with the order. Thank you. *Chrissie Dunn*

HEROES & VILLAINS

BIG BASH tomorrow night
Major fundraiser for the school
tickets still available, and at the door

Party goers: bring buckets of cash !!
shooters, wine and beer sales (BYO also)
and don't forget your wineglass

2 raffles - tickets \$5

WIN diamonds or a wheelbarrow of boy stuff!!

Dress up and get ready to party!!

PFA - Ag Day 2010

- **Sponsorship** – We are looking for a few sponsors for various Ag Day activities ranging in amounts from \$100 upward. Contact Nichole 021582107 for more info.
- **Ag Day Collections** – Next week's Ag Day collections will be items for the auction or lucky dip. There will be boxes in each classroom for donations. Don't forget to check the expiry date is after 20th October. We will still happily accept hamper items and lollies so continue with the good work and many thanks to those who have already made some donations.
- **Ag Day Registration Packs** – These have been sent home with children today. Please leave in a safe place. If you need any more copies they can be downloaded from the school website.

Other PFA Activities

Newsletter Advertisements

The advertisements on the back of our newsletter covers will be coming up for renewal towards the end of the year and we're seeking registrations of interest for the next print run. This is an extremely effective way of advertising your business to the school and local community. Please email Sarah Bowden, PFA Chairperson, and register your interest by **Friday 10th September** sarahbowden@xtra.co.nz

2011 Calendars and Greeting Cards

Also don't forget to order your child/children's calendar art or greeting cards. All of the artwork is available to view in the classrooms and the forms (with payment) must be returned by next Friday 3rd September to the red letterbox.

September Coatesville Market The sausage sizzle will be run by volunteers from Room 10.

Kind Regards