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Nga mihi nui ki nga whanau o to tatou kura

Halogen Young Leaders Conference 2010



A report from *Angus Liddell, Alick McCalman, Arian Asghari, Brendan Courtney, Carys Beddow, Charlotte Mason, Evie Howard, Francesca Grange, Grace McLean, Laila Smith, Nicholas Lane, Stephanie Cheevers, Tom Harford* and *Vijay Chand*.

We all went to the St James Theatre for the Young Leaders Conference on Monday. “Plugging into your potential” was the theme of this conference, and it was great fun with about 2000 people there altogether. Charlie from “What Now” was the host. We heard from a number of presenters including Nick Tuatasi (policeman), Melissa Clark-Reynolds (website designer), Dayna Vawdrey (Studio 2 Live), Pero Cameron (Basketball) and Rob Harley (journalist). They told us about the things they’d accomplished and some of the hardships they had to go through. The message we got was that you should follow your dreams. It wasn’t all serious though; there were some games and funny acts.

We learnt that one of the things to aspire to do is to build people up by encouraging, don’t dominate. This was some of the advice we were given:

- Good leaders don’t give up on people.
- Always be positive.
- Failure is not failure until you give up.
- 90% of the things you worry about never happen.
- The thing stopping you the most is the thing that you see in the mirror every morning.
- If you always do what you’ve always done; you’ll always get what you’ve always got.

We think it was really worth going to, so, if you’re a year 5 student, think about some of these things and you might get chosen to go next year!

Cross Country

Winter has hit with a vengeance over the past week to ten days as the weather deteriorated and prevented us from running the annual cross country event. Events such as Cross Country and Athletics are timed to allow us to select students to represent our school at Northern Zone competitions. A postponement day is always scheduled. If inclement weather persists and prevents the event going ahead on the postponement day, cancellation follows. Even in Wellington, cancellation of school events is relatively rare.

Selection of the school representative team remains a priority. Kevin Pegg, this year's organiser, outlines the selection procedures used.

In order to select the team for the Northern Zone Cross Country with as much fairness as possible, we considered a number of factors before making our selection. These were:

- Teachers' judgements of the fastest students in each class and at each year level,
- Student identification of who they thought were the fastest runners,
- Results from the practise runs,
- Last year's team.

Hopefully this has led to the selection of the best team possible. We apologise if anyone feels they have missed out unfairly, however, this was the best solution possible under the circumstances.

Kevin Pegg

We are grateful to all teachers and parents who have organised and supported students during practices. We congratulate children making the team, wish them the best of luck and look forward to their giving their best during the Northern Zone event next Tuesday.

40 Hour Famine

This year 35 children took part in the World Vision 40 hour famine. Many of the children participating made significant sacrifices to raise money and we congratulate them on their efforts in helping those who are much less fortunate than themselves.

Sponsorship cards and money are being collected and we will let you know the total amount raised as soon as possible. All money should be returned to school immediately and placed in the red box in the foyer. Please make sure that money and clearly named sponsorship cards are kept together in a clearly named envelope or plastic bag. Thank you.

Judy Hampton

Education Review Office

“Ko te tamaiti te Pūtaka o te Kaupapa: The Child – the Heart of the Matter”

We are looking forward to welcoming three members of the Education Review Office team, Claire Cockburn, Anne Roberts and Ruth Pritchard next week. The review team will be focusing on the effectiveness of teaching and learning and how leadership, management and governance support this. Since the last review, our school family has made significant progress as we have “worked together to nurture and inspire learning”. We are grateful to our students, staff, board of trustees, home and school members, parent community and supporters from beyond the school who have contributed to our journey towards excellence.

Entertainment Books

*Are you one of the 15 families who still have an Entertainment Book at home?
Please return book or money immediately so as not to let our team effort down!
(\$900 outstanding).*

Electronic Newsletters

Electronic newsletters will continue to be sent weekly to the school email address of all children in middle and senior classes. In the interests of your child's safety, a decision has been made to continue this practice for a period of time. We strongly encourage parents to regularly monitor email traffic while children learn email etiquette. Please report any concerns about email messages received or sent by your child to annette@khandallah.school.nz

“Kiwisport” Funding

Funding is available to help children participate in organised sport beyond school. Those who would like help to pay some or all of the season's subscriptions are invited to email, principal@khandallah.school.nz, in confidence. Please include your child's name, the sport your child wishes to play, the subscription rate for the season and a list of any other sports and activities the child is involved in.

Intelligent Rewards

Parents are invited to support Khandallah School by having their communications account (phone, broadband, mobile, television) with TelstraClear. By joining the TelstraClear network, and nominating our school, points generated by your monthly TelstraClear account are credited to our school's **intelligent rewards**[™] account. Our school can then spend the points on a range of products supplied by **intelligent rewards**[™] business partners. If you are interested in supporting our school in this way, please go to <http://www.intelligentrewards.co.nz/> A link is on our website for your convenience.

Annette Colls, ICT Lead Teacher

Thanks

- ☺ Children participating in 40 Hour Famine. You are awesome!
- ☺ Tania Smith and Janine Simons joining the Home and School.
- ☺ Parents helping deliver learning programmes and making resources.
- ☺ Everyone paying voluntary donation - 50% received to date.
- ☺ All families providing items requested for child's individual emergency kit and the financial contribution towards the cost of food/water supplies.

Coming Events

- 28 May Sausage Sizzle
- 31 May-2 June ERO on-site
- 9 Jun ICAS – Science
- 22 Jun ICAS – Spelling & Writing
- 24 Jun Whole-School Evacuation
- 25 Jun Mid-Winter Disco
- 28 Jun Whānau Hui, 6:00pm
- 14 Jun Home & School, 7:00pm
- 16 Jun Board of Trustees meeting – note change of date
- 2 July End of Term 2

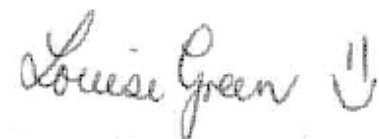
Finally,

The first meeting of the new board of trustees was held last Thursday. The seven parent representatives are **Catherine Cooper, Lisa Barton, Gary Anaru, Peter Boniface, Stuart Johnson, David Soper** and **Steve Ware**. Catherine Cooper was elected chairperson.

Photos of board members are displayed in the foyer alongside photos of staff. You are very welcome to pop in to see who is providing governance of our school. Along with this newsletter you will find the Board's 2009 Annual Report Community Version.

The new Board has changed meeting days from Thursday to Wednesday. Meetings are held in public in the staffroom. They begin at 7:00pm and aim to finish around 9:30pm.

Arohanui



Louise Green
Principal

E v a c u a t i o n

E x e r c i s e

Thursday, 24th June - 2:30pm onwards

Last week, a paper copy of a special newsletter was sent home to all families. This clearly outlined the work we have been doing to prepare for, and respond to, an emergency situation. If you did not receive this, please go to the school website to view a copy or collect a copy from the office. We ask that all families read the information carefully so that you are fully aware of what is happening and the expectations on the day.

What do you need to do to help us?

1. **Send** the items for your child's individual kit listed in red on p2 of special newsletter.
2. **Send** \$5 per child to school cover the cost of food / water / glow sticks.
3. **Read** carefully the evacuation procedures of p3.
4. **Make arrangements** to collect your child from school on Thursday, 24th or make arrangements for one of the people nominated on your child's emergency contact form to do so. The emergency contact form was sent home in Term 1. This was updated by most parents and returned to school in Term 1.
5. **Check** For those who did not return the updated form, a second form was sent home. We are still waiting for the return of a number of these. If you are one of the families concerned, please update the form and return to school immediately. The nominated people on the most recent form held by the office will be used for this exercise.

Your child's safety is important to us.

Please take this exercise seriously.

Community Notices

Lipstick Fundraiser June 2010

Yes **\$10** lipsticks are here!

For every lipstick sold **\$2** goes to Khandallah Home & School, as well as **10%** of all other sales from June's catalogue.

PLUS there are incentives to those who sell 10 or more lipsticks, so ask your family, friends and workmates.

Packs have been sent out to every family, or are available at the Office with June's catalogue and colour chart.

Try your colours:

Please note the change of date due to ERO visiting next week.

Date: **Tuesday 8th June**

Venue: **School Library**

Time: **8.30 – 9.15am & 2.45 – 3.15pm**

If you would like a laminated colour sheet, please contact Karen Moreau on 972 5252 / 021 2144144

"Dawn till Dusk"- Netball for World Vision

The World Vision committee of Wellington Girls' College is holding a student run event as a major fundraising opportunity on behalf of World Vision. A "Dawn till Dusk" non-stop netball game and fair, culminating in a concert will be held on Sunday 30th of May in Civic Square. The event will run from 6am to 6pm and players from secondary schools across Wellington will be joining the Wellington Girls' College students in what is sure to be a day of fun. The event will include a fair, sausage sizzle, face painting and spot prizes. As well as a concert featuring local acts including Meghan Glue, James Shaw, The Laundromat cats and Emerge Dance Crew from 4 pm onwards. Come down and help support the girls as they attempt to contribute their largest sum ever to World Vision charity work.

Scotts College Holiday Programmes July 5 - 9 only

Registrations are open for the following programmes now, and close on 25 June:

Cost of each programme: \$125 (early bird fee - before 25 June) \$140 after that date

Timing of each programme: Monday 5 July - Friday 9 July

Please note the times below are dependent on having the appropriate numbers in each group.

Tennis: 9.00 am to 12.00 pm all ages and skill levels welcome

Coach: Reilly Smith

Rugby: 10.00 am to 12.00 pm (10 - 12 year olds) and 1.00 pm - 4.00 pm for (13- 15 year olds)

Coach: Dave Meaclem

Hockey: 9.00 am to 12.00 pm (7 year olds to 9 year olds) or 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm (9 year olds plus - good skill levels and want to be extended)

Coach: Blair Tarrant

Football: 9.00 am to 12.00 pm (5 year olds to 8 year olds - new to football) 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm (10 year olds plus - good skill levels and want to be tested)

Coach: Matt Calcott

A registration form can be downloaded from our College website - Sport Centre/ Academies - Holiday Programmes

There will be holiday programmes in the next school holidays Term 3, so if you miss out on these, due to numbers being limited... watch this space for the next ones.

Khandallah Presbyterian Church

Looking for something to do a cold, wet, boring sunday afternoon? Come to the Khandallah Presbyterian Church hall for fun, family movies. 2pm the first Sunday of the month starting 6 June. Gold coin donation.

Understanding Your Anger - A workshop for Parents

7pm-10pm, Tuesday 22nd June

Do you ever feel like your anger is in control of you?

This workshop will help you to understand your anger and develop strategies so you are in control of your anger more of the time.

To register e-mail helen@breathingspacenz.com

Or visit our website for further information www.breathingspacenz.com

Guitar Lessons

Guitar lessons in the comfort of your own home. Electric and acoustic. Week days are negotiable. \$30.00 for 40 mins. Any age, any skill level. Call Adam on 027 675 8554 or email a_mneilly@windowslive.com

Piano Lessons



I teach piano lessons in Grenada Village and currently have a few vacancies. Intending pupils should be 7 years and over, and have daily access to a piano or keyboard. I am an experienced and qualified teacher, and references are available from existing pupils and their parents.

For more information please call Anne Megget on 478-8573 (bet. 9:00am and 9:00pm) or visit my website www.meggetamusic.co.nz



ZUMBA® is the world's latest Latin inspired dance-fitness phenomenon and now there's - ZUMBATOMIC FOR KIDS! Safe and effective, kids can't wait to get into the Zumbatomic groove. Carolyn Patchell is running classes in Johnsonville and at Nairnville Recreation Centre in Term 3 with introductory classes on 24th June and 1st July as well as in the school holidays. Visit www.zumbalicious.co.nz to register your interest!

Speech Therapy

Does your child need help with their talking? My name is Christian Wright and I am a fully qualified and experienced Speech-Language Therapist working privately in the Wellington area. I work with preschool and school age children who have speech and language difficulties of all kinds, including stuttering and lisps. I also work with children who are experiencing difficulty with literacy development. I can be contacted by phoning 972 2559 or email me at christian.wright@paradise.net.nz