

16 June 2011

From the Acting Principal

Our value for term 2 is Honesty:

*The quality of being honest.
Telling the truth and being sincere.*

Dear parents/caregivers

Where has the week gone? We've been very fortunate with the dry weather, which means the children have been able to get outside during the breaks and play with their friends. It has been a great week over all.

Road Safety: On Tuesday after school we almost had a fatal incident with a family crossing the road without using the pedestrian crossing. Before and after school is a busy time on the roads that surround PCS. It is a time when we need to take extra care with crossing the roads. Can I please encourage all parents and caregivers to use the pedestrian crossings outside the school gate and at the corner of Great South Road and St George Street. It is our responsibility as adults to model crossing the roads safely.

Crossing the road without using the pedestrian crossings sends the wrong message to your children and the children observing.

PTA Meeting: You are all welcome to attend the PTA meeting on Monday evening where we will discuss future fundraisers and our PCS fair in November. As part of the preparations for the school fair in November the PTA will accept any donations towards this special event.

Star in the making: Congratulations to Nathanael Message in room 7 who has been selected for the cast of the Peach Productions season of the "The Wizard of Oz" on stage at the Civic Theatre in September. We look forward to seeing Nathanael on Shortland Street in the near future.

Go well whanau and enjoy the weekend with your children and continue to make the most of the fine weather we are treated to. I am sending positive thoughts to the Blues and Warriors who are both due for a win.

Noho ora mai,
Pelū Leaupepetele
Acting Principal

General Notices

Welcome to our New Student: Papatoetoe Central School welcomes the following new student to our school – Deacon Barnes.

Assembly Day: On Monday, 20 June, room 09 will lead our assembly. As always you are most welcome to attend but please make sure that you are seated in the hall by 1.15pm.

Class visits to St Christopher's Residential Home: Tomorrow, Friday, 17 June (weather permitting) at 1.30pm, Room 09 will be visiting St Christopher's Hospital.

Tips from the PCS Environment & Sustainability Team: There are a number of simple steps we can all take to save water and power and Reduce, Reuse and Recycle much of the waste that is produced in our school and at home.

TAKE A SHORTER SHOWER: Every two minutes you save on your shower can conserve more than ten litres of water.

School Uniform Items: Beanies & Scarf (set): We have for sale a **Beanie and Scarf (set)** these are to help with the winter chills which are getting closer. They are available from the school office for \$15.00 set.

Winter Zones: The Papatoetoe Primary Schools Winter Zones Competition will be held on Tuesday 28 June 2011, with a saving day on Wednesday 6 July.

Rugby, Soccer and Netball competitions will be held, all at Bruce Pulman Park, in Papakura. The games will run from approximately 9:30 - 2:00 pm. Parents and caregivers are most welcome to attend and watch the games.

Students will be travelling to the park by bus, no cost is involved for parents. They will need to bring a packed lunch, water bottle, appropriate footwear and warm clothing. They will be wearing our school sports uniforms.

Please ask your children if they are involved in this tournament. We have been playing exchanges against other schools in preparation for this tournament.

New lunchroom menu: The lunchroom has some new items that have just been added to the lunchroom menu. Please check the latest menu that was sent home yesterday. Also please note that some of the codes have been changed. Watch out for the new Vege chips (2 flavours), Peckish rice crackers (2 flavours) and the 2 new snack packs. Happy eating!

Make sure you try out our yummy menu for winter with items like Roti Chicken, Macaroni Cheese, Noodles, Heart tick pies and Chicken Quiche plus much more. The lunchroom is open on **Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays ONLY.**

Book Club: The book club orders will close on Friday, 24 June 2011. Would you please make sure all orders and money are put into a **sealed envelope** and ALL CHEQUES are made out to Papatoetoe Central School, as we send one cheque to pay for our book order. The order and money is to be placed in the money chute outside the side entrance to the office.

Sports Exchange with Puhinui: Please see our result as below:

Netball A team:	to Central 6-4	Netball B team:	to Central 8-7
Netball C team:	to Puhinui 3-4	Netball D team:	to Puhinui 1-3
Netball E team:	to Puhinui 3-4	Netball F team:	to Puhinui 0-9
Soccer A team:	to Puhinui 0-1	Soccer B team:	Drew 0-0
Rugby under 40kg team:	to Central 11-4	Rugby under 50kg team:	to Puhinui 2-16

Thank you to all the parents who made it along to support our teams.

PTA News

School Fair – Donations: If you are cleaning up and getting rid of anything that we can sell at the fair, just bring it in. Or, if you have lots or large items to donate, please ring the school reception to arrange a time to drop it off.

Term Events

PTA Meeting	Monday, 20 June	BoT Meeting	Monday, 27 June
Rugby, Netball & Soccer Zones	Tuesday, 28 June	PTA Sausage Sizzle	Tuesday, 28 June
PCS Mufti Day – SPCA	Friday, 1 July	PTA School Disco	Friday, 8 July
PTA Meeting	Monday, 11 July	Yr 6 camp fundraiser raffle starts	Monday, 11 July
Last day for term 2	Friday, 15 July at 3 pm		