

FINAL NEWSLETTER 2016 Monday 12th December

Kia Ora, Talofa, Welcome

We are well into the countdown to the end of the year and things are getting pretty hectic. I guess it goes with the territory that we can't have the fun and family times of Christmas without the extra amount of busyness that goes with it.

Today the children will bring home their class slips for next year. Please hunt in their bags for this. Also please take note of the starting times for next year and the planned meetings. Remember that children will be working with two teachers next year in our exciting Collaborative approach to teaching so it will say on their sheet that they have two teachers

MONDAY 30th January: Meet the Teachers. Find out more about how the year will look and the opportunities for learning for your child

TUESDAY 31st January: Classes start

SAD NEWS. Tangi Uri passed away late last week. Tangi was the school caretaker for many years and the husband of the wonderful Grace who is still one of our school cleaners. I know many of our families actually attended Bromley as children and you may know Tangi.

FUN DAY. This event will now run on Wednesday from 10.30- 2.30. Seniors should come in uniform for their final assembly but bring shorts and tee shirts for the fun activities. Sorry for the inconvenience of the timing of this event. Children will participate in 2 hour blocks either before or after lunch. The general plan is for Te Kakano plus R 11, 13 & 10 before lunch. After lunch (12.45 pm) Te Rito plus R 12 & 14.

Please take note of **Monday 20th February 2017** as a potential **Teacher Only Day**. The staff work an extra day during the year to allow us to close during the school year. We have numerous meetings during the January holidays but the provider who will lead the teacher's day can only fit us in on this day. The focus for the day will be on Restorative Practice. This covers all our behaviour management strategies and gives us key skills for managing behaviour and helping the students manage their own behaviour. We have an International Facilitator coming to the school and we place great emphasis and value on this process. I know a day off for the children early in the year is not great but it is better to have this learning early in the year and reap the benefits of it than leave it until later. More information will follow next year.

