

Fairton School

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Great Team Work on a very cold day

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

An Invitation to Dinner—Farewell to Natasha

To Friends of Fairton, the BOT, Fairton School Staff and any interested parents. We extend a warm invitation for you to join us in wishing Natasha all the best for her OE. Venue is the Salmon Tales in Rakaia on the 21st June. If you would like to attend please phone either Michele or Neville at the school office as we will need to make a booking. (ph 3089205)

New World Longest Docket is Back!! - Starts 26th May to 15th June

Help Fairton School to win \$10,000.

Friday Lunchtime Sausages—\$1.00 each

Friends of Fairton will be providing sausages and bread each Friday lunchtime (12pm) starting 30th May. All proceeds go towards the Senior Room Camp and Junior Room Sleepover. This is a great fundraiser and we thank you for your support.

Dumping of Garden Waste

Fairton Domain is open Sundays 1-4pm (until further notice) for your garden waste. We would appreciate a \$2 donation per load. Proceeds will assist the Fairton School with their fundraising.

Thank You

A big thank you to Friends of Fairton who braved the cold weather last Friday to prepare and cook sausages for our students and visitors to our school.

Rainy Days Ramblings

The Senior Room students practised their language skills on words and phrases created from the rainy days last week.

Rhyme

The lightning was very frightening. *Georgia*

The rain thundered down the drain, with its great ferocious pain. Until on the ground it was laid
Alexander

Rain fell on me and I screamed in pain. Someone yelled 'Shame, what's your name',... 'Max Pain.
Tarnay

The rain slipped down the drain. *Tyler*

The rain dropped the love from up above. I peered through the window as well as being scared.
Serenity

I looked at the gutter as I heard it mutter. *Jackie*

Personification

The rain screamed as it hit the ground. *Georgia*

The rain cried solid ice. *Shayla*

The tears of the rain were blown off course and hit the metal. *Andre*

Metaphor

The rain is a tear drop. *George*

The coldness of the wind is deathly. *Jarrod*

Onomatopoeia

The rain slapped the ground. *Madison*

The rain banged on the gutter. *Olivia*

The rain crashed on the ground. *Andre*

CALLING ALL FOUR YEAR OLDS!

Fairton School will now be running a pre school programme for all four year olds who will be attending Fairton School.

Every Friday the children will visit the school at 2.30pm, meet the teacher and get weekly activities to work on during the week, visit our school library and take books home.

For more information please contact Mrs Allison Stewart the Junior Room teacher.

Parent help in Junior Room
Handwriting/Writing/Phonics
12.30pm to 1.30pm Monday to Thursday
One or more days a week
Please contact Mrs Stewart
Full training will be provided before hand



Junior Room children working on patterns in maths.

A NOTE FROM YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE ON....

Nose Blowing

With winter approaching, the number of runny noses in the community increases. Learning how to blow your nose properly is important so as to decrease the spread of illness and to help prevent ear infections.

HOW TO BLOW...

- Breathe in through the mouth
- Close lips tightly
- Blow out firmly into a tissue
- Put the tissue into the bin.

2-3 blows may not be enough, when you blow your nose it is best to blow 5-6 times.

WHEN TO BLOW...

- When your nose is blocked
- When you get up
- When you get to school/ preschool
- When you get home
- Before you go to bed.

IMPORTANT Do not squeeze the nose when blowing and do not sniff.

Wash your hands after blowing your nose.

To contact your Public Health Nurse with any questions please phone 03 307 8378



Winnie

Since the disappearance of our school cat Winnie a couple of weeks ago the children have been searching for her around the school grounds. Last Wednesday afternoon a couple of the senior boys found Winnie but unfortunately she had passed away. She seems to have died of natural causes. We laid Winnie to rest under a tree in the bus bay garden. All the children made farewell cards and these were laid over her.

A bit of history

Winnie arrived one day at Fairton School fully grown in 1999 and would not leave. All the local farmers assured the teachers that the cat was a Tom and so was named Winston. Later in the year the children came up to the staffroom door excited saying that Winston was having kittens in the classroom! For the week following, the Senior Room children worked in the library so Winnie, as she was renamed, could care for her kittens.

Winnie often repaid the kindness shown her by bringing birds and other small animals into the classroom and foyer. Winnie never went very far from the school buildings, she would come out of the bushes in the morning when Mr Hore arrived at school for her food, then would go and sit on the car bonnet to warm up or come inside and curl up in the staffroom.

Winnie was closest to Christine Grenfield who was able to pick her up for the staff photo and who was given the difficult task of administering her worm tablet! While Winnie would often go outside if there was too much noise, it was common for her to just walk into a classroom full of children and curl up in a warm corner. Over the next week or so we have asked the children to bring a stone to school which we will decorate and lay on Winnie's grave to remember her by.♥♥



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Notices in the School Newsletter

Fairton School's newsletter goes out to 300 households in our area. We would like it to be considered a means of informing the parents and families of our school children. Also community members like to know what is happening at their local school. From time to time when there is room we can put in community notices. The newsletter is prepared during the week. On Tuesday a draft is prepared and on Wednesday printing is carried out. If you have anything you wish to add to our newsletter please contact the school office.