# **Ararira Springs Primary**







## Week 2, here we go!

One week down and we are on the way. Thanks for the positivity that you and your children have demonstrated in the start to school. We look forward to joining you tomorrow as we outline programmes in the hubs and enjoy a picnic dinner. We also invite you make a booking to share more specific information with your child's teacher at a 15 minute session next week, details below.

# Kaiako Connect – Meet the Teacher – Family Picnic

You should have Weds 13th February already marked in your diaries. This is an opportunity to come and socialize with other families and meet the teachers in



your child's learning hub.

5:00 pm Arrive for dinner
5:30 – 6pm Teretere Year 0-1

6 - 6:30pm Huarapa Year 2-3 6:30 – 7pm Kaunuku Year 4-8

Teachers will share a little about themselves and key points in how the learning hub will function.

#### **Volunteer for Road Patrol**

If you would like to volunteer for road patrol on a semi-regular basis, e.g., an afternoon or morning slot, please email Blair,

blair.cook@ararira.school.nz

# **Information Sharing Sessions**

Getting to know our learners is the highest priority for us. You are your child's first teacher and know them better than anyone. You have shared some information with the leadership team and now is the opportunity to meet with your child's Kaiako / teacher. Sessions are 15 mins long and can be booked through <a href="https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz">www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</a> or follow this link.

Use the code **sd5cg** and follow the prompts to choose time with teachers.

Please note that sessions for Blair and Sam start from 2:15pm on both days. We will look after the children so you don't have to pick up early on this occasion.

#### Pūtahi | Community Space

Pūtahi is our library and community space. Please feel free to stop in the morning or afternoon and make yourself a hot drink. Once we get up and running we will be offering parent information sessions on topics of interest. Let us know if there is a particular topic you are interested in.

## **Library Book Donations**

If you have books at home that your children have out grown please consider donating them to the school library. Our children are avid readers and we know that they will be well loved and used.

# **Kiss and Drop Parking**

This area of the car park is designed for you to pull in and for children to hop out rather than a parking area. It is pull in area along the fence line. Signs are on their way. If you would like to leave your vehicle, please park in one of our many car parks

#### High Vis Vest (Donna Frame)

We have our new safety vests for each child to wear to and from school. Thank you to Brenda Dunlop from the Selwyn Women's Issues Group for coordinating this and for their generous sponsorship, as well as Wheels and Heels, Selwyn District Council and Ross Mitchell from Harcourts Lincoln.

These are issued to each child with a number, so as they grow we can give them a bigger size. If it is lost you will need to replace the vest or pay \$10 replacement fee.

#### **Kelly Club**

We are keen to get the before school Kelly Club up and running. If you would be utilising that service please email Trine at <a href="mailto:office@ararira.school.nz">office@ararira.school.nz</a> with the days of the week that you would attend.

#### **HPV Vaccinations**

Permission forms have been sent home and are required to be returned to school with the permission/non-permission form completed. Vaccinations will take place at the school in April. Date to be confirmed.

#### **School Phone Numbers**

Our phones are now operational. Please save these numbers for future use.

**School number - 03 4200888** 

**Absentees** - please text your child's absence to 021 2727828

#### Interested in the Board of Trustees

Tom Scollard will be running sessions for those of you interested in standing for our elected Board of Trustees. In the meantime please find some information from the School Trustees Association (STA) attached.

#### Interested in the PTA/ Friends of the School...

Is this something you think you might be interested in? Are you in fact waiting for an opportunity to lead something in this area? We are looking to establish a group that helps develop the Ararira community, fundraise for events and host events for children. Ideally, this would be best if this is led by the community. If you are keen, please email Trine or leave your name at the office and we will help coordinate the first meeting.

# Claire

Claire and the Ararira Springs Team



#### **Dates to Diary**

13th February – Kaiako Connect | Picnic | Meet the Teacher

14th February - Top Town Afternoon

18th February – Y5-8 Swimming Sports at Southbridge

20th and 21st February - Information Sharing Sessions (15 mins)

12th March – Wellbeing Session at Lincoln Primary