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Talohani, Talofa Koutou, Namaste, Salaam, Sawasdee, Hallo Allemaal,
Nihao, Sidaytahay, Konichi wa, Ayubowan, Greetings!

Dear parents and families

Just when we think Spring is on the way, we have more cold weather to remind us that winter is not yet over! Lots of our children and staff have had heavy colds, sore throats and nasty coughs. Thank you to the families who have kept the children warmly clad and snuggly tucked up in their own beds when they've not been well.

We know that we all learn from experience, so at school we try to give our children as many rich learning experiences as possible, and to link what they learn at school with 'real life' so that children understand the purpose of education. The world is changing so quickly that our children will grow into a world of jobs that have not yet been 'discovered', so our learning must be flexible so that children learn to be effective communicators and problem-solvers. In this newsletter we'll have some examples of the types of learning experiences that our children are enjoying.

Reminder..... furniture sale!

We have a wonderful offer for some lucky parents and families. We have spare desks and chairs for sale on **Thursday 31 August at 2:30pm until 4:00pm in Room 30** – in the Tupulaga building, next door to Mrs Schuster's classroom. Come along, and bring your trailers!

Winter Sports Day

The 2017 Winter Field day was outstanding! Miss King has reported that the children had a great time and were excellent Rosebank School ambassadors. Huge thanks to the coaches who helped the children prepare for their games and managed the copious amounts of paperwork.

Miss King specially wanted to thank Stephanie Ioane who has been doing her teaching practicum in Room 31 – Stephanie was great company and a valuable extra set of hands! And most importantly, thanks to Miss King for her organisation and oversight of the day's activities.



AVONDALE CHRISTIAN CENTRE

"A heart for all people" "A church for all nations"

Meeting every Sunday, 10.30am in the Rosebank School Hall, a multi-cultural,
contemporary, friendly church serving your
community: Crèche, Children's programmes, Regular youth
programmes: All enquiries phone 820-0411



Some results....

Both hockey teams won all their games as well as the Grade A and B finals. The B Grade netball team won all their games and the C Grade won many of theirs. The Rippa Rugby Grade A team came second in the final and the Grade C came third.

Days like this do not happen without lots of planning and preparation – so well done, to everyone involved.

Mutukaroa Parent meeting

Thank you to the parents of Y1/2 children who came along to our meeting recently. Mutukaroa coordinator Babette Van Neierk shared some very interesting information about how parents can help their children. Salman Khan shared excellent ideas about how he helps his son at home – his ideas were so good that we'd like him to come and share them again with other parents. Our HIPPY coordinator Elisa Niovara talked about the value of the HIPPY programme and how parents benefit from helping their children with early reading, writing, maths and oral language through one to one tutoring. Two of our HIPPY tutors Tolo and Avananthi demonstrated how they work effectively with their children – complete with constructing a volcano and sharing science insights! We have so many talented and caring parents – to all of the parents who contributed, thank you! To Mrs Van Neierk, Miss Hedstrom our ESOL leader, and Miss Tohi our junior school deputy principal – thank you for your excellent leadership and commitment to our children.

Reading Together

We've had the first two of our four *Reading Together* sessions with a group of really keen and caring parents and grandparents. The first session was an introduction to why it is important for parents and children to read together, with lots of great ideas for families to share at home. Lucia, our new Children's and Young Adults librarian from Avondale Community Library joined us for the first meeting, and will host the final session at the Avondale Library.

Our parents have been learning how to use wait time when children are reading, to prompt by telling children words they don't know when they are losing meaning, how to decide the right degree of difficulty for books to read and how to create the best environment for successful reading together.

Extravangza

All classes are gearing up for the end of term Extravangza –each class is preparing something different to showcase their learning about business. Please come along during the last week to help the children celebrate! More details later.

Roadwise

Miss Hedstrom and Mrs Saunders are helping to keep our children safe as part of our school's Travelwise programme. This programme operates in conjunction with Auckland Transport. Miss Hedstrom has shared some photographs and this delightful report.

Congratulations to our Travelwise leaders who spent Wednesday morning informing our local road users to "Slow down around schools", "look out for us", and "Keep us safe." We got 127 beeps, smiles or thumbs up within a 30 minute time frame as we held up our signs along the roadside. Thank you to Bhavna from Auckland Transport for supporting this fun activity that was enjoyed by all.

Thank you to our two lead teachers and their champion sign wavers!



Later this term the Y2/3 team children and teachers will be working with Constable Taina to help them increase their safety around road ways. The *Stepping Out* programme is highly successful, so we know that our Y2/3 children will be safer users of the roads and driveways from now on!

Daffodil Day

Well done Rosebank School. This week we raised \$479.50 for the Cancer Foundation. To show our support, many children dressed in yellow today for Daffodil Day.

A huge thank you to parents and caregivers for supporting this very worthy cause.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Metro Softball

Metro Softball is a family friendly softball club that encourages inclusiveness and advancement in sport. Registrations for the 2017/2018 season are now open. For further information please contact Aimee Russell, metro Club secretary at metrosoftballnz@gmail.com.

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Kind regards

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Principal

COMING EVENTS...

Tuesday 29 August	Junior team's Waste Wise trip Y3 – 6 children at Swinsation 1:45pm <i>Reading Together</i>
Wednesday 30 August	ESOL trip Group 4
Friday 1 September	school assembly hosted by TRA ESOL trip Group 3 Rosebank School staff to Avondale Kindergarten
Monday 4 September	Tongan Language Week begins R27 & R31 farm trip
Tuesday 5 September	Y3 – 6 children at Swinsation
Friday 8 September	Avondale Intermediate School leaders visiting our Y6 children
Monday 11 September	Y2/3 team with Constable Taina for <i>Stepping out</i> programme
Tuesday 12 September	Y3 – 6 children at Swinsation
Wednesday 13 September	R27 & r31 Ambury Farm trip
Thursday 14 September	R16 & R17 Ambury Farm trip
Monday 18 September	6:00pm Board of Trustees meeting
Tuesday 19 September	Y3 – 6 children at Swinsation 1:45pm <i>Reading Together</i> at Avondale Community Library
Thursday 21 September	R16 & R17 farm visit
Friday 22 September	School Athletics