

Room 15

Southbrook School

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Dear Parents/ Caregivers

Welcome back to the beginning of another term. I am looking forward to seeing you all again at the second goal setting interviews on the 3rd or 5th of August.

The grounds are very muddy at the moment. If your child enjoys getting out playing soccer etc on the field during lunchtime it would be appreciated if you could send along an extra pair of tracksuit pants to wear to reduce the amount of mud inside.

This term we will be very busy preparing for the Middle School Musical *Le Cirque*. Our aim is to perform on two nights; the 25th and 26th of August. Other topic studies will include preparing a time capsule for the new building and investigating the Commonwealth and Commonwealth Games towards the end of term.

The Room 6 and 15 camp will be from the 8th to 10th of December at Woodend Christian Camp and will include the Beach Education programme at Waikuku on the first day. With fundraising from the Variety Concert and Entertainment books, the cost will be about \$100. If you assisted with swimming transport I will let you know the amount credited to your camp account. My job at present is to prepare everything to present to the BOT and once all has been approved I will be able to pass on the final costs. Each class will require 3 or 4 parent helpers.

There has been some debate in the local paper recently regarding the benefit of homework. I would like to thank you for putting in the effort to help your child in particular with regular reading and the learning of basic facts. The recent class basic facts test has show good progress in results and this mainly due to homework practise.

We are in the process of putting our class newsletters onto the school website so if you are Irish and don't receive this newsletter you should be able to find it on the school website next week along with the circus presentation photos in colour.

Stay warm for the rest of winter, 5 weeks until spring!

Regards

Rebecca Thompson

