



Birkdale North School

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Children Today
Leaders Tomorrow

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Issue 1

Welcome Back to School in 2012!

Summer is well and truly with us now and your children have started school in good health and good heart. The school is looking great and our vegetable garden is flourishing. Please help yourselves to vegetables as they ripen. We welcome several new students to our school this year. Many of our new students are part of the French immersion class that began this year. The class is called L'Etoile du Nord—North Star. Students learn the NZ curriculum through French for two and a half days then move into their English classes for the remainder of the week. This is a very exciting addition to our school and we will be welcoming French Embassy officials for a visit on 22nd February.

Our classes are using the pool daily for swimming lessons so please encourage your child to bring their togs and towel in a plastic bag every day. Please come and buy your raffle tickets for the weekly meat raffle supplied by the Highbury Butcher (see the insert below).



Reminders: School Contact Numbers:

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Term Dates: So far!

BOT meeting 16th Feb 3.30pm;
Polka Dot Show 24th Feb;
Cricket Field day 15th March;
Travel Wise week 19th March;
Shore To Shore Fun Run Sunday
1st April; End of Term Thursday
5th April.

Assembly this week

This will be on Friday at
11.40am. House Captain
selections this week.

Community Notice;

School Banking Day with ASB is
Wednesday. For an information
pack please contact the school
office.

Highbury Butcher supports our School

Many thanks to Grant for the
weekly meat pack.
Highbury Butcher is situated at
11 Mokoia Rd, Birkenhead
480-9526
wright-27@hotmail.com

You can purchase a ticket for
this week's raffle from the office.
Tickets are \$1.00

After School Care:

This facility is WINZ
approved with subsidies
available. Times are 3 pm to
6 pm. Please book places at
the school reception. Penny
Irwin is the Supervisor.

Walking School Bus:

As there are no parents
available to supervise this,
there will be no Walking
School Bus until further
notice.

Introducing our teachers for this year:



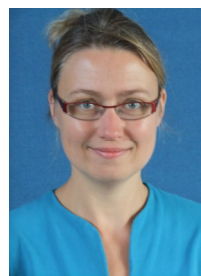
Lillian Beattie R 5



Daniella Latoa-Levi
R 9



Louise Lee R 6



Anna Sbai R 2
L'Etoile du Nord



Annemarie Wrightson
R 11 AP



Murray Hawke
R 8



Lynda Peebles
R 9

Waterwise: This programme is for Year 5 and 6 students and provides learning and training in sailing small yachts and kayaks. Students learn safety procedures; knot tying; reading the winds and weather; how to rig an Optimist; and water safety. Our students will be going to the Yacht Club at Birkenhead wharf on Wednesday 7th March for this programme. Parents are needed for supervision so if you can help on this day please let us know. Letters will be sent out shortly.

After School Activities:

The following classes are available to students after school:

Monday: Tahitian Dance and Craft Tuesday: Sports and Games

Wednesday: Science Thursday: Music

The cost for this is either \$10 per day or a koha.