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Notice Board

Welcome Back to Term 4:

And to what will be my last NoticeBoard. I cannot believe that we are on the count down to Christmas; this term is going to fly by in no time!

This is always a very busy term and especially busy for the Year 6 Students, with their Leaving Assembly, their Final Disco and of course our age old TPS tradition of clapping them out on the last day.....we all need tissues for that one!

Junior Production:

Last term the Junior School put on the most amazing School Production. I hope that most of you got to see it; it was a really great event. We are so lucky to have so many talented children. It was funny, exciting to watch and all those great costumes. Not to mention all the hard work the Teachers and other staff have put into it! A great big THANK YOU from all the Board for all your efforts everyone.

Standing down as Board Chair:

As advised a couple of NoticeBoards ago, as a Board we needed to elect a new Chair for the Board, as I will be leaving the

school at the end of this year when my youngest child finishes in Year 6.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful people that have supported me in my time on the Board. It has been an amazing learning curve and one that I will treasure for a long time. I have learnt things I never thought I would need to know, met people that I would never have come across otherwise and made friends that I will keep for a lifetime!

I am going to stick around on the Board until the end of this year (can't get rid of me that easily!!) to support the Board and our new Chair Person.

Welcome to our New Board Chair:

I am sure you will all join me in welcoming Mick Prior to the Role of Board Chair. Mick is keen to get into the Role and is very much looking forward to working with Gary, Brigette, Alan and the rest of the Board.

A Few Words from Mick:

Hi

I am delighted to have been elected as chairperson of Titirangi Primary School's Board of Trustees. The Board is a great team and we are working hard to support the excellent leadership and staff to provide the best learning environment for our children.

Priorities for the BoT at present include dealing with the introduction of National Standards and the report mechanisms. Gary and his staff have done a great job preparing for the changes and a big thank you to those parents that made themselves available to 'test drive' the new reports. You will no doubt be aware that there is still some national concerns and

resistance to the introduction of National Standards. Our BoT will attend an Auckland Primary Principals Association regional meeting with other BoTs to discuss these concerns later this month. We will report on that meeting in due course.

We will also be contacting you soon to discuss ways to improve communication with parents and to ask how we can assist parent involvement to improve the learning opportunities for our children. This will include discussion on the important role that the school donations and activity fees play in providing extra opportunities for learning and enjoyment for the children.

My first task as Chairperson is to acknowledge the incredible contribution to Titirangi Primary School of the outgoing Chairperson Jody Kelly. Jody has given 7 years of her time to our Board including the last three years as Chairperson. Jody's governance, commitment and dedication to our school, along with her communication skills, is a key reason why Titirangi Primary School is so well regarded and we will miss her presence on the Board. Jody has generously agreed to continue to work with the BoT through to the end of the year as a guide and mentor. I am sure you will want to join the Board in thanking Jody for her amazing work and contribution to our School. Thank you Jody

Mick Prior

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Contacting the Board:

If you ever need to contact the Board or have any questions for any Board members you can always email us at:

bot@titirangi.school.nz

Please note that emails to this address will go direct to Mick now.

Next Formal Board Meeting:

The next formal meeting of the Board has been set and will be 23rd November 2010 at 6pm in the Staffroom. The Agenda will be put up on the Notice Board in the office a few days before this meeting. Also the Minutes from the last formal meeting are available at the office should you wish to view them.

Take care

Jody Kelly

Board Chair **(Retired!!!)**