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Have you got **March 16** in your diary for the **National Standards** parent meeting? 7pm to 9pm. *What are your views ?* What kind of **reporting** do you want two times per year? I will give a quick outline of progress so far. We, the Board, Proprietors and Teachers want to hear your views on this important subject..... see you **in the hall** next week.

Sunday was **National Children's Day** but really - Every Day should be a children's day – a day where all children are honoured for their spirit clothed in a physical body. A day where play, imagination, freshness, care, kindness, firm love, rhythm and honesty is part of our parenting. It should also be a day where children *want* to help others- be it their grandparents, neighbour or friends. And a day where 'breathing out' means being able to be on your own, murmuring to a pet, reading a book, or quietly creating. So much of the adult world is brought too early to children and as we, as a nation, become more affluent, the harder it is to prevent the electric energy of our modern lives becoming part of theirs.

In making every day a child's day, make space for you as parents to softly mumble to your child – it may become the most precious things you can do together.....

Now that you all know who to see for anything at school (see inside page 2 for a reminder) its worth knowing that the **Community Association** is the other great supporter of your years at school. They too need your support to be able to assist in the co-creation of new school developments. Go to their next meeting and get involved.

Looking further afield – the Steiner school network has a **National Federation** of all the schools. A huge amount of work goes on behind the scenes to keep our movement true to our special character within the requirements of the Ministry of Education.

The Federation is engaged in such things as **future teacher supply** in courses at AUT (Auckland University of Technology) and Taruna (Steiner Training Centre), professional **cluster groups**, a **kindergarten advisory** service, development of a **Steiner qualification** that is University recognised, assistance to **developing schools**, in-service teaching **professional development** (the Certificate of Steiner Education), **curriculum alignment** with the NZ curriculum – particularly maths and literacy at the moment, regularly meeting **ERO** head office, national **assessment** monitoring, **legal** assistance, developing **RPL pathways** for overseas teachers and maintaining healthy relationships between schools. The Federation is represented by myself, Annalie, Martin and Neil (teacher education). Part of your Proprietors fee goes into supporting this work and part goes into maintaining special character subjects in our school. If you want any more information on this work, please see any of us above. If you have any doubts about what your Props money is used for – I can assure you your contributions well used and much appreciated!

Continued overleaf

WHO'S WHO? & WHO TO ASK FOR HELP

College Principals Group (GPG)
 Thomas Proctor (Legal Principal)
 Brenda Warander
 Phil Jopson

Section & Curriculum Coordinators

Frances Ritchie (K)
 Brenda Warander (LS)
 Richard Bullock(US)

Bursar

Fran Dudding

Upper School Dean

Ashley Conland

Lower School Dean

Peter Oliver

Academic Dean

Maxine Ude Shankar

NZQA Qualifications

John Suggate

Counsellors

Mareile Stoppel

David Garb

Special Character

Neil Carter

Thomas Proctor

Frances Ritchie

Steiner Certificate and Correspondence

(Class 11 & 12)

Martin Gastinger

International Students

Angelika Frank-Alexander

from cover page

One of the great things about the CA is the years and years of wonderful Fairs.

We have a group of Community Association members who meet with the school to allocate the large amounts raised each year. Here is a reminder of where the 2009 fair is going...

Increase in teacher aide hours.	\$9 200
Salary for production garden	\$1500
Worm farm – kinder & lower school	- \$500
Sports equipment	\$3 000
Nursery group-build a stone wall/ install a pergola	\$3 790
Kindy library	\$500
New playground in front of class one. (when the eurythmy room shifts)	\$7000
Total	\$25 490.

See you all next Tuesday evening.

Thomas Proctor

CALENDAR

Monday 22 March

Board of Trustees meeting

Music Room at 7pm

All welcome

Friday 26 March

Harvest Festival 11am

Thursday 1 April

End of Term 1

Monday 19 April

Beginning of Term 2



**I hea koe i te tangihanga o
te Pīpīwharauoa?**

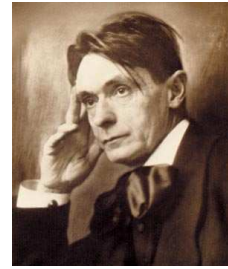
*Where were you when the shining
cuckoo called?*

*A reproach against laziness, or against
those who do not do their share of the
work.*

The Parent Library

has re-opened. Located between Frances and Ellens Kindergarten Rooms (Pink Kindy). Sadly, approximately 50 books are still unaccounted for from the original list. It is crucial that for the library to work we must respect the system and heed the 2 book 3 week rule and return our books!!

Happy Reading. Michelle T



"The reward of learning something new is in the seeking."

RUDOLF STEINER

THIS FRIDAY IS CLASS 4'S PRE-LOVED CLOTHING AND TOY SALE! 8:30 - 3:30 in HANSENS PARK.

Donations of clean un-torn items gladly received and can be dropped outside Class 4 or at 10 Ford Road

Delphine Photographer is coming later this month. Definite dates to be advised in the next weeks newsletter.

Slippers Next Term

All children in Lower/Middle School are to have slippers or indoor shoes to change into at school from the beginning of next term please.

Shirley for the Colleagues

Guitars Wanted!

Class Five are looking for good quality second hand guitars to have for children to play. Please contact Brenda via the office if you have one for sale.

Hand Washing—important

We have had a number of absences due to gastric upsets or tummy bugs recently. It is probably timely to ask parents to remind their children about the importance of good hygiene.

FROM THE WIDER COMMUNITY

PARENT PAINTING CLASS

If you are interested in joining the parent painting group on Wednesday mornings at 9am-10am

At Home Child Care—Give your little ones the next best care to being at home. Enrol now for limited spaces—filling fast. Call Jacquie 3764213

Home Educators wanted—southern/easter suburbs. Great training, support and remuneration for doing something really worthwhile. At Home Child Care is endorsed by the CPG and and the Kindergarten and is about to get its Ministry of Education License. Call Jacquie 3764213

Guitar, full size for sale. Good condition. Karina model, nylon strings. Comes with guitar case \$80. Phone Caitlin 3826267

Accommodation Wanted: Our family, 2 adults & 2 children & older cat, need a home! 3-4+brm home by approx. end March, biking or walking distance to Steiner School, for **rent or buy**. If it also has a sleep-out or studio on land, great! Please email propacific@paradise.net.nz or call/txt 022 6209403

Ariba Ariba Turkish salsa dance classes – Monday night 15 March 7.30pm at the **Wunderbar, Lyttelton**. Come along, bring a friend and have fun! No partner needed. No charge

Iron Ridge Quarry Sculpture Park

Raymond Herber Sculpture

Ideal place to bring the family for a picnic.

Open each Sunday 10am- 5pm Also take bookings for organised groups.

Adults \$10, under 16 free

Tea and Coffee available

Sign posted from the Mud House

North of Amberley

Contact Raymond and Sue(03) 314 9198

www.raymondherber.com

Hairdresser, Ann Daly, parent of a class 3 and 5 children. Highly trained. \$10 cuts. Mobile service available (extra cost). Local (Opawa Road) 027 7852455

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Cashmere Wanderers AFC Junior Section

Registrations for the 2010 football season are still currently being accepted. We have teams available for male and female players from 5-19 years. Please visit our club website

www.cashmerefootball.co.nz

and follow the registration instructions. New players need to complete a 2010 registration form and forward with payment to P O Box 28 048 Christchurch. Returning players can re-register online. Please note that payment must accompany registrations.

Please take advantage of the Club's "early-bird discount" which finishes 9th April 2010.

Any queries please contact juniorsecretary@cashmerefootball.co.nz

LOST Small cube pounamu on a black waxed string—a much loved gift lost on Monday belonging to Noah in class 1. If anyone has found it, please ring 3289342. Thanks

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