

Board Elections

The nomination forms for the Trustee Elections have been sent out. Please consider putting yourself forward. Nomination forms must be returned to the Returning Officer by this Friday 4th November. There are three positions available. If required an election will be held on 18th November 2011.

BOARD SHORTS

- **Awhina Coordinators**

At the last board meeting the Awhina coordinators, Deb Aitken and Tricia Will, presented a report on their role in the school and the students' involvement. This role coordinates many student support programmes in the school. These include:

- Student Council – A representative from each class who bring students concerns and interests to the council for discussion and plan events to support charitable activities.
- Celebrating Success: With the help of the student council and liaising with the teachers students are identified and photographed for the success board in the office foyer.
- Peer Mediators – Senior students who support the children through playground patrols.
- Peer Mentors – Senior students who support younger students on a one to one basis in the playground.

The board enjoyed hearing about the achievements of our students and appreciated the time and effort that many students gave to assist and support others.

- **Sand Pit Thank you – Home and School and Workers**

Thank you to Bill Roach, MHR Builders, and the team of volunteers who completed the junior sandpit. A big THANK YOU to the Home and School committee for funding the project, to Kate Misa for all her liaison work and to Carrie Spiers for design consultancy. This is a wonderful project and the students are very excited.

- **Swimming 2012**

The board has once again employed Todd Morton, Easyswim Khandallah, to run the school swimming lessons in the first term of 2012. We know the children will benefit from the continuation of this excellent programme. The likely cost will be \$35 per child. Each child will receive 10 x 20 minute lessons.

- **Out of Zone places for 2012**

The board confirmed there would be no out of zone places for 2012. The roll is still likely to increase over the next two years with in zone enrolments. The board wished to ensure the roll continued to be managed to avoid overcrowding for the best possible outcome of our students.