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Dear Parents,

Greetings to you all. Talofa lava.

This year, with 11 weeks left of it, has certainly been a year full events; but nothing surpasses the tragedy we have just experienced. It was particularly very difficult for some of us that were overseas – the feeling of fear and helplessness from afar. Let us all find comfort in each other and lend a helping hand wherever possible. And as our Church and Government leaders say: "Tatou tuu mea uma I le Atua."

In our school alone we have a few families of teachers and students that have been directly affected in this tragedy.

The Primary School Staff "working bee" went to Lalomanu last Saturday to help Mrs Simati's family clean up. We will be offering this service next week (during our one week break) to any of our school families that have been affected and need some man/woman power, labour.

CONDOLENSCES

Within our own school community, we would like to offer our sincere condolences to the Annandale Family of Siumu for the loss of their mother and grandmother Mrs Tui Annandale; and also to Mrs Simati and the Leifi Family of Lalomanu for the loss of fourteen members of their family.

Our sympathy also goes out to all the other families that lost loved ones, as well as the loss and destruction of property, through this devastating ordeal.

Let us continue to pray for Divine comfort upon Samoa.

REMAINING TERM DATES 2009

Our last school day for this Term is this Friday 9th October.

4th Term:

Monday 19th October - Friday 11th December

Invoices for next terms fees will be given out this week. Please keep these in mind and have your children's fees paid on time next term, to avoid paying the penalty.

Remember we will be having only 1 week holiday.

TERM DATES: 2010

Term 1	25 th Jan – 9 th April - 11 weeks
Term 2	26 th April – 9 th July - 11 weeks
Term 3	26 th July - 8 th Oct - 11 weeks
Term 4	18 th Oct - 3 rd Dec - 7 weeks

SPELL TESTS

The Government Literacy/Numeracy Tests for Years 4 and 6 are scheduled for Friday 6th November. These will be held at school and is a normal school day.

PRIMARY SAMOAN CONCERT

Please be advised that our Samoan Concert scheduled for last week is now postponed to next term. We have decided to do this because of the current mood of our whole country and the aftermath of the quake/tsunami and also all the preparations for White Sunday this weekend. This is now postponed to Week 5, Friday, 20th November.

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