

**Nga mihi, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Kia Orana, Bula, Namaste, Taloha ni, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Sabiadee, Ola, Bonjour, Ni hao, Welcome, Konichi wa, Noa'ia, Xin chào.**

## Congratulations

I would like to congratulate Mrs Maile Ronald on her graduation last Friday with her Bachelor of Education. Mrs Tuaopepe, the Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl joined the graduation ceremony to be part of the whole capping atmosphere. They took some flowers on our behalf. No doubt the experience would have inspired these students to be, one day, capped with higher qualifications themselves.



*Left: Mrs Finau, Deputy Head Girl Ranadi, Head Girl, Alakipomana, Mrs Ronald, and Mrs Tuaopepe, on graduation day for Mrs Ronald.*

## Teachers' Concerns

Our school and I continue to support the concerns in the shortage and conditions for teachers. The inability of the teaching profession to attract and maintain teachers is of concern, as our students need quality teachers to increase the likelihood of them achieving. Success in school is still the main gateway for the majority of our students to a better life and we would like quality teaching to be in every school. We are most fortunate to have teachers of high calibre in front of our students. May it remain that way.

## School To Remain Open

The teachers will join the stop work meeting for teachers this Thursday. However we will have enough staff at school to keep it open. It will be a fun afternoon and you are welcome to join us.

## Hosting Teachers from Samoa

We continue to host teachers from Samoa on their search for ways of improving education in Samoa. This week there are two principals, a classroom practitioner and a representative from the Ministry of Sports, Culture and Education, observing at our school. The group return to Samoa this week-end. Our students have been great hosts and you would be just as proud of them as I am.

## Condolences

Our sincere condolences to Mrs Helen Jia our Reading Recovery and Mandarin teacher who lost her dad over the holidays. Helen travelled to China over the holidays to say good-bye but her dad had already passed when she arrived. Our prayers are with her.



Iosua Esera, Principal



**Important:** If you have a new phone number, or address, please let the office know! It is important that we have your correct contact details.

## Term 2 Dates

Please note these dates on your family calendar or diary. It will be great if you are able to be part of any of these planned events. Other dates and events will be in our newsletter in the near future.

### This week:

Friday 10 May Junior Tabloids

Memorial Service for Kaumatua Marsh 9.30am  
Sia Ua Fundraising Lunch \$5 each

### Next week:

Monday 13 May Rotuman Language Week begins

Tuesday 14 May Hiwi the Kiwi 'Healthy Pacific Ocean' show 9.30am  
Girls Rugby Y7&8

Wednes. 15 May Boys Rugby Y7&8

Thurs. 16 May Parents and Whanau Positive Puberty info talk 3.30pm

Friday 17 May William Pike Rock Climbing; Sia Ua cake stall; Senior tabloids athletics finals

## Children's Safety

Thanks for your understanding with the changes for this term. It has been a change for staff too, in the attempt to ensure our students are safe from any traffic mishap at school.

- The school gate is closed from 08:00am to 04:00pm.
- Only staff cars are allowed onto the school grounds.

**Please be advised that you can be towed if your car is parked in front of the gates.** The gate needs to be available in case of emergencies. All parking infringements will be fined as we aim to have our children as safe as we can. My apologies for the inconvenience to many of you, but our student's safety is paramount.

## NO Sugary Drinks

Thanks for your ongoing support of this policy. Sugary drinks are supposedly the biggest cause of obesity and Type 2 diabetes among our children. Let us all work together to maximise the chance of our students avoiding these. Water and plain milk are the only drinks to be consumed at school.

## In Remembrance of Kaumatua Marsh

Kaumatua Marsh, who has been our kaumatua since I arrived, passed away peacefully over the Christmas break. He was instrumental in initiating things Maori at the school and would always come when we asked him to. Apart from sharing his knowledge of things Maori to our students in the Rumaki, he performed the blessings for both our school hall and the Sia Ua block. We are having a memorial service for him at school on Friday starting at 09:30am. His wife and family will be part of the service.

*Right: Kaumatua Marsh during the 2015 opening of the Sia Ua block.*



*Left: Clayton R3, David R11, Madison R10 and Braxtyne R11, who were the kaikaranga & kaikorero for our visitors on Monday.*

## School Wide Goals: RESPECT:

Our value for the whole term is RESPECT. Students and teachers will have conversations in class on what respect looks, sounds and feels like in class and at school. Respect is common to all families, communities, cultural groups and organisations. We have talked about what each individual student needs to be mindful of in class and at school for the next few weeks.

Therefore, the goals for the next few weeks will be:

- i. I will use my little voice.
- ii. I will use kind words.
- iii. I will wait my turn.

Thank you in anticipation of your support at home.

**Pathways to Performing Arts** is specifically aimed at primary school children. This time it will be a FREE ten-week programme, and will cover basic arts such as Song Writing, Film Acting, Beat Making, and Performance. Children will need to have parental permission to join, so collect a registration form from the library or the school office.

Spaces are limited so the first ones in will secure their places.



MAHIA  
**Do it**

## Pathways to Performing Arts

10 Week Programme for Primary School students

Learn the basics, build your confidence and try different arts:

- Songwriting
- Film Acting
- Beat Making
- Performance

*"I really enjoyed this program because it helps you bring the inner YOU to this world, whether it's dancing or acting or even making music or lyrics." – Trevant L. (Aorere College)*

*"It was challenging and it helped me build my confidence up in doing anything in public." – Sarah S. (Otahuhu College)*

4 – 6pm every Thursdays starting 9th May 2019 (10weeks) @ Mangere East Library

Presented by Queen Shirle (For more information, email [queenshirlemusic@gmail.com](mailto:queenshirlemusic@gmail.com))

To enrol, fill out the registration sheet and return it to Mangere East Library

Find out more:  
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We now have **EFTPOS** available in the school office for any payments you need to make.

## Birthdays this week

Happy birthday to you...

10 May: Mele T R9 and Etisoni R7B

12 May: Harlan R24

14 May: Milise R9, LJ S. R17 and Eliesa R4



## Welcome to these new students:

Pani R9A, Adalene R7, Luisa R11, Noel R13A, Areina R10 and Matea R13B

## BOT Nominations

The nominations are open from May 10 and nominations will close at 12pm on Friday 24 May. No nominations will be accepted after that.

## Measles Outbreak in Auckland

What is measles? Measles is a serious and highly infectious viral disease that can make people very sick and can lead to hospitalisation or, in rare cases, death. It is very easily spread from person to person through the air by breathing, sneezing or coughing. Just being in the same room as someone with measles can lead to infection if you are not immunised. If you are unimmunised you can also have measles and spread it without knowing it.

What are the symptoms of measles? Measles symptoms include a high fever, runny nose, cough and sore red eyes, followed several days later by a rash starting behind the ears and spreading to the body. If you catch measles you can spread it to others from 5 days before until 5 days after the rash appears.

Who is at risk of measles? Young children who have not yet been immunised are at greatest risk of the disease. It's important they have their vaccines on time at 15 months and four years old. The vaccine is free for infants and children. Unimmunised older children, teenagers and adults, especially pregnant women (measles can result in miscarriage, premature labour and low birth weight), are also at risk from the disease.

- Pregnant women who were not immunised before becoming pregnant should not receive the immunisation in pregnancy and should seek medical advice if they are concerned they have come in contact with measles.

If you are of child-bearing age, you should avoid pregnancy for one month after having a dose of the MMR vaccine.

- If you are breastfeeding (and not pregnant) you can receive the MMR vaccine safely.

For children who are too young to have had the measles vaccine it is advisable that others living in their household are vaccinated.

## How is measles prevented?

The best way to prevent measles is for all children to be immunised on time, with the free Measles, Mumps,

Rubella (MMR) vaccine at 15 months and four years old. One dose of MMR vaccine is 95% effective against measles and two doses are 99% effective. Older children who are unimmunised can also receive the vaccine for free.

Adults/staff who are unsure whether they are immune should talk to their doctor as the information may be in their medical records. They may also have their own health records, such as their Plunket or Well Child/Tamariki Ora book. Anyone younger than 50 years old who has not had one MMR dose should be vaccinated.

## Pick & Mix:

**Theatre, music, comedy, dance and visual arts**

There are pamphlets available in the office regarding free performances and workshops, including Auckland Live event guides.



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