

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 e mauri, Xin chào.

Cook Island Language Week

Kia Orana. We launched Cook Island Language Week on Monday at our school assembly and our children did us proud. I would like to acknowledge the work of Mrs Lakokiperitania and Ms Elia in preparing our students to run the launch, and teaching our students to sing the Cook Island national anthem and a hymn. Our programme includes learning a phrase in Cook Island reo Maori. Students are expected to know five phrases and count in reo Maori Kuki Airani up to twenty.

We have entered one of our students, Tiare R10, to compete in the Cook Island speech contest. This will be held tomorrow at Manurewa Intermediate. The final assembly will be on Friday.

Welcome to Mr William Pua

Mr Pua was welcomed to our school on Monday at a whakatau. Mr Pua is our new Social Worker and he brings much experience in social work. Do introduce yourself when you come to school. Mr Pua is Samoan and his family is familiar to many Samoans, as his parents' home was a haven for many Samoans in the late 1960s.

Community Fono

Your input is needed, as we continue the conversation about the culture of our school. Our community fono for this term will be held **tonight** in our school hall starting at **6:00pm**. Please invest an hour into your children's learning by joining in the conversation. The aim is to establish a community 'Statement of Commitment' to our students' learning. If you are able to come, please do.

National Samoan Speech Contest

This was held in Christchurch last Thursday and there were three new judges. All are authorities on the Samoan language. Our students who made it to the national final did themselves and our school proud. The results were:

Year 5: Therese 1st place

Year 6: Maralee 5th place

Year 7: Nive 1st place and Caylah 2nd place

Year 8: Rejoice 2nd place and Simon 5th place

Special congratulations to our students, parents, teachers and support staff for their collective effort in getting our students prepared for this contest.

Photo on right:

*Standing L-R- Nive and Rejoice
Sitting L-R- Therese and Caylah.*




Iosua Esera, Principal

Next Week's Agenda:

All week: Assessments

Tues 11 Aug: Y5&6 Soccer (MOSA) at Walter Massey Park

Wed 12 Aug: Y8 HPV vaccines - second dose - 9am

: Talanoa Ako (Sia Ua) 4.30pm

Interschool Hockey

Our students, who took part in the tournament last week, did themselves proud. Both teams came second in the two divisions. I was especially proud of the sportsmanship displayed by our students as reported to me.



Above: The Y7&8 Boy's hockey team, waiting to play.

Below: The Y7&8 Girl's hockey team.



Please Be Safe For Our Children

Help make our children safe at the front of the school. A few minutes inconvenience is not worth a life or a serious injury to any of our students. Please:

- Do not park on yellow lines.
- Look out and follow the requests from the students on traffic duties.
- Pick up and drop off your child away from the pedestrian crossing.

Election

Pease enrol to vote in the upcoming general election as well as the two referendums. The two referendums are on legalising cannabis and euthanasia. Exercise your right to vote and make sure you do. There will be a polling booth at our school. I will add updates and information about the election every week. Our aim is to have ALL of our parents and caregivers, exercise their right to vote.

3 Way Conversations

These are coming up soon on Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th August, in Week 5 of this term. To book a time to meet with your child's teacher you can do this yourself online:

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Make a booking

Event Code: **st4jf**

Or ask at the school office for help to book a time.



HAROLD'S DISCO
Sat August 29th

Get your friends together to have your picture taken & dance with Harold!

Dance competition prizes!

\$10 tickets - includes glowsticks

Years 1-2: 4.45-5.45pm
Years 3-4: 6-7.15pm
Years 5-6: 7.30-8.45pm

Papakura Netball Centre, Bruce Pulman Park

Birthdays this week:

8 Aug: Teresa R6B

9 Aug: Vaiola R4

10 Aug: Rejoice R15, Rickianne R24 and Jonathan R8

Welcome to our new students:

Alfred R13b and Harlem R3



Term 3 Dates

Week 5- Balanced Bike Programme for Whenua 9.15am-2.30pm

Wed 19 Aug and Thurs 20 Aug- 3-Way Conversations

Thurs 20 Aug: APPA Y5&6 Samoan Speech Contest

Friday 21 Aug: APPA Y7&8 Samoan Speech Contest

: SPS Maori Korero (speeches)

Week 6- Tues 25 Aug: Atea Speech Competition at 9.30am

Friday 28 Aug: Y1 Meet the parents 9.30am

: Y5-8 SPS Tongan Speech Comp

Week 8- (7-11 Sept) Tongan Language Week

Tues 8 Sept. - Y5&6 APPA Tongan Speech Contest

Week 9- (14-18 Sept) Maori Language Week

Week 10- Tues 22 Sept -Y7&8 APPA Tongan Speech Contest

Wed 23 Sept- Fiji Day

Thurs 24 Sept- Last day of term 3

Value for the Term:

PERSEVERANCE

We will be talking with our students about learning to persevere: setting themselves challenging targets and plans to achieve them. Achieving some of their targets will be challenging but we insist with our children to look at ways of following through. As a generation better school, we all need to insist with our children that there are ways of achieving their potential and dreams. An important part of this is a plan, and to be disciplined to go through with the plan. Children will be set practical tasks that they are asked to achieve each week.

For the next two weeks, their challenges will be on learning Mathematics. Children have been given targets appropriate for their age levels. Do ask your children about their challenge for the week.

Goals for the Week

1. I will!
2. And I will.
3. I will do my best.

Before and After School Supervision

There are spaces in SKiDS for student supervision before and after school. Please arrange with SKiDS to have your children safely supervised before and after school, if your child is on the school site before 8.30am or after 3.15pm.



Talanoa Ako

Congratulations to Teisa Helu, left, who won the first draw at the Talanoa Ako workshop.

Well-being Wednesdays

These will continue throughout the term. That means all staff will have left the school by 3.15pm on Wednesday afternoons.



“We Care when you can’t be there”

Before School Care	-	7.30am to 8.30am	Mon –Fri
After School Care	-	3.00pm to 6.00pm	Mon –Fri
Holiday Programme	-	8.00am to 6.00pm	Mon –Fri

It's all about having lots of FUN and your *kids* will have so much fun at our *sKids* ... and daily activities to help stimulate creative minds and satisfy *active* children.

Our Specialist Services

- Children safety – on site care for children with qualified staff
- Familiar Environment – Same school children at skids
- Venue – Using school premises is a comforting venue for the children
- WINZ subsidies available
(if you are working full time, part time, studying, receiving CDA or sickness benefit)

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