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Term 1 Week 2 Newsletter: Friday | Rāmere 11 February 2022

Kia Ora, Mālō e lelei, Talofa Lava, Kia Orāna, Kamusta, Salam

### Welcome to Term 1

Nau mai, hoki mai, welcome back to School 😊 In the past 6 days we've been so delighted to have the tamariki return! Sheer joy to see smiles, creative play, hear laughter and tamariki enjoying breaks outside with their peers. Thank you parents/whānau 👍

It's great to see new faces! Nau mai, haere mai, afio mai to our new parents/whānau and students: R1 Holyfield, LJ, Jordan, Nathanael; R2 Jeorved; R4 Jerome; R8 Irene, Thor; R9 Uilisona and Te Puna Wairua (TPW) Kapene, Katriel, Dezjonay and Snow. I know you're all going to love your learning journey at our awesome School!

### Fabulous Staff

We're so fortunate to have such capable and caring staff to mahi with - especially for the education of your tamariki. As shared on our Facebook page, we're super happy to welcome new staff: Mr Young (Caretaker) and teachers Whaea Susannah (R1), Miss Inu (R6) and Mrs Sood (R8). Yay, Whaea Anahera in TPW and Mr Tafea return to our TPS whānau too.

### Team Leaders

Leader of Te Puna Wairua is Pou Matua Whaea Lee. Leader of the Senior Team is Mrs Luti Tafea. Leader of the Junior Team is Miss Jo Gormly. Please see our School website Staff page too.

### Learning Assistants (LAs) & Office

Super excited to welcome back LA Sherina; our other LAs are Mariana, Kelly and Janine. Our Executive Officer (EO) is Mrs Sheryl Gibson and our Office Administrator is Mrs Sharon Williamson. Our cleaners are working hard to support health and safety too: Loleini, Di and Falute.



### At School routines

I commend our wonderful teachers who have poured their hearts and minds into carefully preparing their classroom environments for your tamariki. Big thanks to our teachers and Learning Assistants (LAs) who've leapt back into learning routines with their students.

**Uniform:** correct uniform is required. No sweatshirt is needed in Term 1 or 4 (summer months). Please remember the hat is part of uniform in Term 1 and 4 too.

**Free lunches:** please keep sweets, fizzy, convenience food at home. We provide Ka Ora Ka Ako healthy lunch and fruit each day.

**Water only:** students can bring their water bottles.



## Safety for all

We share the same objective – we want all students and staff to be safe at and around the School ❤️ For your safety too, we appreciate your patience and understanding as we 'get the waka going again', after much disruption last year, to focus on teaching, learning and positive wellbeing. Thank you parents and whānau.



All Schools must follow the COVID-19 instructions from the MoE. We have put our safety procedures in place. Please mahi with us to follow the **CPF Red Traffic light setting** 🚦

## Arriving and leaving School

For safety reasons:

- Students need to arrive between 8:30 am and 8:55 am.
- Please DO NOT park or drop off/pick up from Alamein Rd. It is unsafe.
- Tripoli Rd only, if you're dropping off or picking up (our staff are on crossing duty).
- Students can walk to school as usual – it's great exercise for their tinana!
- Home time is at 3 pm and students exit up to Tripoli Rd crossing (our staff are on crossing duty).

## Uniform, stationery, other information

Big thanks to our Sharon who has been taking your calls and appointments. We appreciate your understanding at this very busy time, as Sharon works safely to attend to your needs. Please continue to call the Office so that we can safely support you.

## Where do I find notices?

We continue to place notices on our School Facebook page and School website. Please check these regularly and also look for your child's paper copy of the Newsletter in their bags (Fridays).

Please see our COVID-19 Update #1, which was placed on our website and Facebook page.

## Who can I call?

We want to help, if you have questions or concerns, please call/email your child's teacher, or call/email Sharon [swilliamson@tamakiprimary.school.nz](mailto:swilliamson@tamakiprimary.school.nz) or call/email me.

## Staff Professional Learning Development (PLD)

Before the term began, all staff engaged in literacy reading PLD with our providers Dr Alison Davis and in-school Facilitator Doreen Jukes. Increasing students' reading achievement is one of our Strategic/Annual Plan LEARN goals. I'm so proud of our Leaders and teachers for their engagement and planning already implemented from our PLD. Dr Davis and Doreen affirmed our staff as an engaged 'community of learners'. What a cool team we work with 🌸

Mauri Ora e te whānau, stay safe, enjoy your weekend 🌻 Fa'afetai tele lava,

Dr Johnston

Principal | Tumuaki

### PLEASE REMEMBER ☺

- Students arrive at School between 8:30 & 8:55 am (no earlier)
- Y4-8 students must wear a mask
- Tripoli Rd only – for any drop off/pick up
- Tripoli Rd only – students use the crossing, teachers on duty
- COVID19 CPF Red – No non-essential visitors onsite, please call the Office first
- School uniform, sunhat, water only, free lunches each day

**Term 1:** Thursday 3 February to Thursday 14 April

**Board Meeting:** Wednesday 23 February @ 10 am Board Room

