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Term 1 Week 2 Newsletter | Pānui: Friday | Rāmere 10 February | Huitanguru 2023

Kia ora, Mālō e lelei, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Kamusta, Ayubowan, Vannakkam

Nau mai, haere mai

Ngā mihi o te tau hou 2023! Welcome to Term One! We do hope that you've had some special time with whānau and friends. Given the recent severe weather events, we also hope that you're safe and well. Our hearts and minds are with the many who've been impacted. Please do not hesitate to let us know if you need any help returning to School.

Day 1 Pōwhiri

It was such a special and beautiful Tuesday morning with Te Rā shining upon us, to welcome returning ākonga, our new teachers, tamariki and whānau to TPS! Lots of learning-full fun times ahead! Thank you parents/whānau, loved meeting you and if you'd like another chat, pop in to see me 😊

Welcome

New kaiako Mr Shaun de Witt in R9 (Y7/8) and Mrs Claire Mackenzie in R1 (NE/Y1); new ākonga: Remy, Hakopa, Billy, Cohen (TPW), Karma (R4), Nyla-Jay, Linda, Opeti (R2), DJ (R8) and our new Sommerville Satellite staff Jecintha and Monique.



Meet the Team/Whānau Picnic

Next Friday 17 Feb @ 4 pm. Fingers, arms, legs crossed, we hope the weather is fine! We'll start with meet the staff/teaching Teams, before mix-n-mingle time. Bring your picnic and blanket 😊 We look forward to coming together!

Term One programmes & school events

Before the Term began, the staff and I enjoyed our PLD with Tamsin Hanley which supports our Aotearoa/NZ Histories and Te Tiriti o Waitangi Annual Plan initiatives. We also enjoyed our literacy reading/writing PLD with Dr Alison Davis & Doreen Jukes, also supporting our assessment and NZ Curriculum Refresh Annual Plan initiatives.

I'm super proud of our staff for their flexibility, care and team work which has enabled an organised, yet buzzy warm start for our tamariki. Teachers and LAs have leapt straight into learning routines and affirming our TPS Values **Manaakitanga**, **Kaitiakitanga** and **Rangatiratanga** in action ❤️ Congratulations to **Talamuka-'a-Tonga** competition winners of Taimi Fananga Pacific Digital Stories: Anthony's *The Most Devastating News*"; Moala's *"My Grandfather is an Amazing Punake in New Zealand!"* and Lopeti's *"Perseverance, Never Give Up on Your Dreams"* 🏆 **Top Attendance** this week goes to: Te Puna Wairua & R9 – tino pai! Let's all get to our school wide attendance goal again!

Important School information & notices

Please see page 2 for key information. **NB.** The Office is **updating all contact details**, please check and correct your child's form in an envelope with today's newsletter. Return to the Office.

We're all really excited about the Term and year ahead! As always, please pop in to see me, call or email. Take care e te whānau, kia pai tō rā whakatā.

Fa'afetai lava 🌸

Dr Deanna Johnston

Principal | Tumuaiki

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IMPORTANT SCHOOL NOTICES & REMINDERS ☺ See previous January 2023 notices posted on our website.

Meet the Team/Staff & Whānau Picnic – put Friday/Rāmere 17 February 4 pm in your diary!

Term 1 Teacher Only Day – Week 5 Monday/Rāhina 27 February

Notices, Newsletters/pānui:

- Paper copies to the eldest/only child (Friday fortnightly)
- School website www.tamakiprimary.school.nz (our main online communication)
- School Facebook page for celebration, includes links to the main Newsletter or reminder notices

Queries, concerns, School info:

- See your child's teacher in the first instance. You may then like to see the Team Leader, DP or Principal. You're welcome to visit, call the School or email the teacher, TL, DP or Principal. Please do not delay
- TPS Policies info link is on our School Website. Click on 'Our School' then 'Policies and Procedures'. Any queries please speak with/contact the Principal first. Please do not delay

Enrolments:

- Visit or call the Office and we'll help you enrol your child. See our 'Enrolment' page on our Website.

Uniform, stationery & devices:

- Eftpos or Internet banking only. Please see Miss Duggan in the Office
- Uniform including hats in Term 1 and Term 4 and can be purchased at School
- TPS stationery can be bought from Warehouse Stationery Lunn Ave and Sylvia Park (ask for the TPS lists)
- No student cell phones at School; if needed let the teacher know first; these are put in the Office in the morning
- **Devices – we provide a TPS device (iPad or Chromebook) for each student which are used for learning at School. Students do not need to buy/bring their own**

Walking to School:

- Safely use the paths and Tripoli Rd pedestrian crossing (8:30 – 8:55 am; 3:00 – 3:15 pm)
- Pedestrian paths at Benghazi Rd and Alamein Rd (over the little bridge and use the mini Zebra crossing)

Drop off / Pick up:

- Safely use Tripoli and Benghazi Rd and/or surrounding streets
- For everyone's safety, please do not park or drop off through Alamein Rd gate (our Sommerville School taxis/cars/vans need safe access to the turning bay). Please do not park on Sommerville School grass verge (it is unsafe for Sommerville staff and their taxis/cars/vans)

Free healthy lunches:

- Began this week and continues. Any dietary changes, please contact Mrs Sharma (DP)

Breakfast Club:

- As usual in the Hall 8:10 am – 8:40 am

Staff: see 'Our People' on our website

- **Juniors (NE-Y4):** Miss Jo Gormly R3 (Y2/3) Junior Team Leader, Mrs Claire Mackenzie R1 (NE/Y1), Miss Susannah Goodman R2 (Y1) and Mrs Emmy Grady R4 (Y3/4)
- **Te Puna Wairua (Y1-8):** Whaea Lee (Pouako Matua ō Te Puna Wairua) and Koka Anahera (Kaiako TPW and Kaiako Ngā mahi ā rehia/Kapa Haka school wide)
- **Seniors (Y6-8):** Mrs Luti Tafea Talamuka-ʻa-Tonga Senior Team Leader, Matua Stefan R6 (Y5/6), Mrs Aanchal Sood R8 (Y6-8) and Mr Shaun de Witt R9 (Y7/8)
- **Learning Assistants (LAs):** Ms Mariana, Whaea Kelly, Miss Janine and **Release teacher:** Miss Sherina Short
- **Executive Officer/PA** Miss Mikaela Duggan, **Office Admin** Miss Sharon Williamson
- **Caretaker** Mr Bren Young and **Cleaners** Di, Falute and Loleini

School Dental Service: TPS Student Records

Kia ora parents & caregivers

The Auckland Regional Dental Service (ARDS) is a Te Whatu Ora-operated service, which provides free dental care to children across the greater Auckland areas. In order to prevent any eligible children missing out on receiving free dental care, ARDS is cross-checking their own records with school rolls.

For our children's better oral health and wellbeing, the TPS student roll will be shared with the service as required. To find out more information about ARDS, please visit ards.co.nz or call 0800 TALK TEETH (0800 825 583).

If you have any concerns about this release of information, please contact Mrs Sharma (DP) (09) 527 6345 extn 703 or email asharma@tamakiprimary.school.nz



****For the safety of tamariki & staff, please do not enter Sommerville School driveway & park on their grass verge. Please park on Tripoli Rd or surrounding streets****

Boostrix & HPV Immunisations: TPS Student Records

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The School Based Immunisation Programme (SBIP) has now been scheduled across Auckland District Health Board catchment area.

Tetanus, Diphtheria and Whooping cough (Boostrix) for all Year 7 students

Human Papillomavirus (HPV Gardasil 9) for all Year 8 students

In line with Ministry of Health requirements, we require the student rolls for all Y7 and Y8 students to be shared with Auckland District Health Board.

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