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Term 1 Week 6 Newsletter | Pānui: Friday | Rāmere 10 March | Poutūterangi 2023

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

Last week, the teachers, LAs and I had lots of fun at our maths/pāngarau PLD Cluster day with Rob Proffitt-White. Increasing teacher capability and student success in maths is one of our Strategic/Annual Plan goals. We've been impressed with the tamariki flexing their marvellous maths muscles during learning time too! Keep up the fabulous mahi, tamariki!



Tamariki need to be at School before the first bell goes at 8:50 am. Every day counts. Late arrival means lost learning time, making it hard for your child to catch up. Thank you parents/whānau for contacting us when your child is away sick and replying to the Office messages. 🏆 **Top Attendance in the past two weeks goes to: R1, R9, R8, R2.**

Big thanks and well done **Green Team** and Miss Gormly for launching our new Wastewise colour coded bins and promoting our 'zero waste' journey. Education for Sustainability (E4S) is one of our Strategic/Annual Plan goals. This beautiful whakataukī helps guide our tamariki to learn about their environment and ways to put our **Kaitiakitanga** Value into action: **"Ko au ko te taiao, ko te taiao ko au. I am the environment and the environment is me."**



### **School Assembly & TPS Values Certificate recipients**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in the Hall/hōro, you're welcome to join us! Congrats to **TPW** Apikaira, Dezjonay; **R9** Savannah, Chicago; **R8** Jeremy, L'oreal; **R6** Torius, Saryah; **Talamuka-'a-Tonga** Teu, Tina; **R4** Te Hana, AJ; **R3** Senela, Hezekiah; **R2** Ngatungane, Isla ❤️ **Welcome new student:** Karsyn (R1). We know you'll enjoy your learning journey ahead! Tino pai **Benghazi** winners last week! 2<sup>nd</sup> Tripoli, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Alamein 4<sup>th</sup> Tobruk. Keep showing our School Values: **Manaakitanga, Kaitiakitanga, Rangatiratanga.**



### **Welcome parents & whānau ...**

**AKO CONNECT CLASS VISITS: Wednesday 15 March 9 - 1pm**

Join your child in their class during reading to celebrate ako in action! Junior classes 9 – 11 am and Seniors, Te Puna Wairua classes 11:45 – 1 pm.

**WHĀNAU HOUSE GAMES: Friday 17 March @ 11:30 am**

Come and join us for some good competitive field fun! House Chants will get us into the spirit!



For safety reasons, the Office needs your child's enrolment details to be correct. Please call the Office with any changes. All the very best to our awesome **SWiS Maryanne** for the arrival of her new baby - congrats & arohanui! As always, please pop in to see me, call or email.

Take care e te whānau, kia pai tō rā whakatā 🌸

Fa'afetai lava,  
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**IMPORTANT SCHOOL NOTICES & REMINDERS** 😊 See previous January, February 2023 notices posted on our website.

**Ako Connect Class Visits:** Wednesday/Rāapa 15 March – parents & whānau join in with your child's class

**Whānau House Games:** Friday/Rāmere 17 March – parents & whānau come and join us

**Y7/8 Cricket inter-school tournament:** now Thursday/Rāpare 23 March

**Y5-8 Volleyball Cluster tournament:** Tuesday/Rāhina 28 March

**Swimming all classes:** Monday to Friday 21 – 31 March

**Vision Van:** visits postponed again to 3 – 5 April

**Board Meeting:** Wednesday/Rāapa 5 April @ 8 am

**Term 2 Teacher Only Day:** Monday/Rāhina 24 April; ANZAC Day 25 April

**Y5/6 Senior Camp:** Monday 1 May to Wednesday 3 May at Ngaruawahia Christian Camp

**Notices, Newsletters/pānui:**

- Paper copies to the eldest/only child (Friday fortnightly)
- School website [www.tamakiprimary.school.nz](http://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 first and we'll help you enrol your child. See our 'Enrolment' page on our Website
- The Principal meets with new students, parents/whānau before enrolment and class placement

**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, these are used for learning at School. Tamariki 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)

**Food/Drink/Free healthy lunches:**

- Each day. Any dietary changes, please contact Mrs Sharma (DP)
- Water only bottle each day (no fizzy, juice)

**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 o 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-a-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, Mrs Bloomfield
- **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

**\*\*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\*\***  
**Thank you for your care & understanding** 😊

