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Term 2 Week 6 Newsletter: Friday / Aso Faraile 2 June 2023

Talofa lava! O a mai oe?

We hope you are well and enjoyed Samoan language and culture week! This year's theme is: *'Mitamita i lau gagana, mau'a lou fa'asinomaga'* which means *'Be proud of your language and grounded in your identity'*. We embrace the cultural diversity of our students and vibrant community. We have students, including myself, who are proud to celebrate our Samoan cultural heritage. Students have had fun learning the Samoan National Anthem, Tatalo, siva, pronunciation, basic greetings and everyday words.



Assembly: every 2nd Friday in the Hall, you're welcome to join us! Fa'afetai tele lava for joining us at today's Samoan Assembly to celebrate the awesome skills, talents and efforts of our students! We loved the students' beautiful pacific clothing ❤️ **TPS Values Certificate recipients:** Congrats to TPW Cassidy, Snow; R9 Cohen, Maria; R8 Jeremy, L'oreal; R6 Sam, Selwyn; Talamuka-'a-Tonga Teu, Tina; R4 Koloi, Israel; R3 Fotofili, Angel; R2 Isla, Sandra, George; R1 Dylielah, Isaiiah ❤️ **Welcome new ākonga:** Damian, Mahalia, Sisilia, Jaziah, Samiuela, Wiremu, Alliah and Mariah-Lee. We know you'll enjoy your learning journey ahead! Tino pai Alamein Winning House! Well done Tripoli 2nd, Tobruk 3rd and Benghazi 4th. Keep



showing our School Values: **Manaakitanga, Kaitiakitanga, Rangatiratanga.**

Student Leaders: Congratulations to our Student Leaders of 2023 – Evan, Pauliasi, Chicago, Esilie, Snow, Maria, Langiolo and Sterling! 😊 Fa'afetai lava to all 12 nominees for standing confidently and to the whole School listening to their presentations last week, before voting! I look forward to our first Hui to talanoa about your initiatives!

Sports: Looking forward to our **Senior Girls' and Boys' Rugby** Teams competing at Pakuranga Intermediate School Monday 12 June at 12 pm. We thank Pakuranga Intermediate for helping our girls out with rugby boots. Woohoo, Mrs Tafea is training the **Ki-o-Rahi** Team for the upcoming competition.

TEACHER ONLY DAY: No School next Tuesday 6 June. The Ministry of Education have provided Schools with release days to dedicate their PLD to the new social sciences curriculum - Aotearoa/NZ Histories. We're super excited about our hikoi/field trip with mana whenua to learn more about *ngā tohu o te rohe* (significant local landmarks): *Maungarei, Mokoia Pā, Mauinaina and Te Whanake.*

AKO CONNECT: Back to School next Wednesday 7 June. Come and join your child's class and see some marvellous maths in action! Juniors and Te Puna Wairua 9:30-11:00 am and Seniors 11:40- 1:00 pm! See you soon.



As always, you're welcome to visit, call or email me. Have a fabulous long weekend 🌸 Fa'afetai lava, manuia le aso!

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Term 2: Wednesday 26 April to Friday 30 June

Board Meetings: Each Week 5 and Week 10 – Wednesday/Rāapa 24 May, 28 June @ 8 am

Rugby Y7/8 Girls' & Boys' Team Competition @ Pakuranga Intermediate School: Monday 12 June 12 pm (re-scheduled)

King's Birthday Public Holiday: NO SCHOOL Monday 5 June

Teacher Only Day: NO SCHOOL Tuesday 6 June Curriculum MoE/PLD day for staff

AKO Connect: Wednesday 7 June 9:30 – 1 pm. Come along to see your child's maths in action – join in the fun!

Whānau House Games: Friday 16 June – join in some good competitive fun, bring your picnic and blanket

Student Achievement Reports: These go home Thursday 29 June (last week of Term)

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 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:

- Uniform is compulsory including hats in Term 1 and Term 4; all can be purchased at School
- Eftpos or Internet banking only. Please see Miss Duggan in the Office
- 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; placed 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:

- Only use Tripoli and Benghazi Rd and/or surrounding streets
- For everyone's safety, please do not park in 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 change, please contact Mrs Sharma (DP)
- Water only bottle each day (no fizzy, juice)
- Please keep sweets, gum and convenience packaged foods at home
- 'Pack in, Pack out' means any food packaging brought to School, goes home with the student

Breakfast Club:

- Some social fun for tamariki as they enjoy some healthy kai in the Hall 8:10 am – 8:40 am

