Te Kōtuku Cultural Festival



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# Term 4 Week 4 Newsletter: Friday | Rāmere 3 November 2023

## Kia ora, Mālō e lelei, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kamusta, Ayubowan, Salam

We hope you've had a great week! You may have enjoyed watching Te Mana Kuratahi Haka perfomances held in Whakatū Nelson. Lots of inspiration and excitement for young students.

**Te Kōtuku Cultural Festival - Kapa Haka** We're super excited for our Kapa Haka rōpū **He Iti Mapihi Pounamu**, capably led by Kōkā Anahera, who've been practising all year for the upcoming Festival! TPS is very fortunate to have the expertise of Kōkā. There's a high level

of commitment and discipline required being a Kapa Haka performer. Ngā mihi nui ki a koe Anahera for maintaining such high standards and being an inspiration for our ākonga. We're very proud of our beautiful *He Iti Mapihi Pounamu*. Our performance is scheduled **Saturday 18 November at Ruapōtaka Marae**, approximately 11 am (subject to change by the organisers). Thank you parents and whānau for your support and for returning the slips to Anahera in Te Puna Wairua.

**Sports Touch Rugby Tournament** Tino pai TPS tamariki, we're super proud of your commitment, energy and Team spirit. Big thanks to our awesome LAs Ms Mariana, Miss Janine and Whaea Kelly for being kaitiaki for our troops!







Whānau House Athletics The rain has been having it's fun again! Due to more rain Mrs Tafea needed to reshedule our Athletics to yesterday. We're so pleased we snuck it in, as the tamariki showed fabulous House spirit during our running



races. You may have even heard the House chants from afar! Tino pai tamariki showing our **Manaakitanga** and **Kaitiakitanga** Values, cheering on your House peers. Congratulations to our place winners showing our **Rangatiratanga** Value, putting full energy into your races Ka rawe **Alamein Whānau House** winning with the most points on the day! (names below in 1st, 2nd, 3rd order)



5 y/o boys 50m	5 y/o girls 50m	6 y/o boys 50m	6 y/o girls 50m
Tyton, Opeti, Brooklyn	Remy, Winter-Reign, Mahalia	Hendrix, Verna, Tasi	Sandra, Sana
7 y/o boys 50m	7 y/o girls 50m	8 y/o boys 50m	8 y/o girls 50m
Senela, Asher, Fotofili	Mahina, Mariaola, Apikaira	Bailey, Koloi, Polikaiana	Alliah, Tina, Yvonne
9 y/o boys 50m	9 y/o girls 50m	10 y/o boys 100m	10 y/o girls 100m
Manaia, AJ, Uasi	Acacia, Kassidy, Biancca	Krypton, Sosaia, Tāsola	Nevaeh, Patriot, Hifo
11 y/o boys 100m	11 y/o girls 100m	12 y/o boys 100m	12 y/o girls 100m
Ralphina, Phillip, Anthony	Connie-girl & Florence, Savannah	Wiremu, Prosyden, Thor & Chicago	Dezjonay, Shaiann, Janett
11 y/o boys 200m	11 y/o girls 200m	12 y/o boys 200m	12 y/o girls 200m
Ralphina, Mark, Harley	Connie-girl, Maria, Savannah	Wiremu, Calais, Thor	Dezjonay, Janett, Shaiann

Congrats to recipients of School Value Certificates TPW Emma-Jane, Te Ao Kahira; R1 Winter-Reign, Poloseki; R2 Hyacynth, Teaariki; R3 Verna, Kairo; R4 Kahlani, Ana; TmT Hifo, Florence; R6 Ani, Eden; R8 Irene, Patriot; R9 Ralphina, Perry Whānau House Winner: 1st Benghazi & Tobruk, 2nd Alamein, 3rd Tripoli. Whāia te ara tika, continue to pursue your goals and show our TPS Values Manaakitanga, Kaitiakitanga, Rangatiratanga!



As always, you're welcome to visit, call or email me. Kia pai tō rā whakatā 🜋 Fa'afetai tele lava, take care.

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**Term 4:** Monday/Rāhina 9 October to Monday/Rāhina 18 December

**Board Meetings:** Twice a Term, Monday 30 October and Wednesday/Rāapa 29

November @ 8 am

Board Policy Review: The Board's Term 4 Policy review for your feedback is open. Please check into our TPS SchoolDocs portal on our School website Policies section

\*Class Photos: Please check your home email for a unique code from Photolife to order your child's class photo. Call Miss Sharon in the Office if you need any info.

\*Immunisation Forms: Please check your home email reminder from Miss Sharon. For Health/Safety reasons, the MoE requires all Schools to keep records. Thank you for sending these directly to Miss Sharon.

**Puffy Theatre Show:** Thursday 23 November @ 12 pm in the Hall **Y3-8 Boys & Girls' Interschool Athletics:** Tuesday 28 November @ Pakuranga Athletics Park

Y1-8 Class Awards: Wednesday 6 December @ 1 pm

Y7/8 Awards & Y8 Graduation: Thursday 7 December @ 1 pm

Alamein Road Safety: You may have noticed there are demolishments / private road works happening outside the School. There'll be further works happening over the next weeks. For the safety of all, there is no drop off inside Alamein gate entrance. Please remember to safely use surrounding streets, paths and crossings. Thank you for your co-operation.

#### Student arrival and leaving times

- School starts 8:55 am and finishes 3 pm
- If late, students must sign in at the Office and go straight to class (learning time has already begun)
- Parents/visitors please wait outside until home time, so that teachers and students can finish off their end of day
  routines. Please do not go to classrooms to collect your child before 3 pm. If you need to collect your child earlier
  for an appointment, call the Office in advance and collect your child by 1 pm.

#### Drop off / Pick up:

- Parents only use Tripoli and Benghazi Rd and/or surrounding streets
- For everyone's safety, please do not park in or drop off inside Alamein Rd gate (this is for staff parking, Sommerville School taxis/cars/vans and regular utility vehicles need safe access to the turning bay and exit gate)
- Please do not park on Sommerville School grass verge or drive onto our basketball court (it is unsafe for our students, staff and Sommerville staff and their taxis/cars/vans)

### 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)

#### 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 Kathleen Horn 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

## Food/Drink/Free healthy lunches:

- Free lunch. Any dietary change, please contact Mrs Sharma (DP) and let the Office know
- Water only bottle each day (no fizzy, juice)
- Keep sweets, gum and processed convenience packaged foods at home
- 'Pack in, Pack out' means any food packaging brought to School, goes home with your child

## Breakfast Club:

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

### 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

