

Pomare School Newsletter

Term Three - Week 8  8 September 2023

Talofa, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo e lelei , ស្អស្អ Suostei, Bula Vinaka!

Mālō e lelei Fāmili,

What lovely weather we have had this past week. Blue sky and sunshine greet me as I look out my window while writing this newsletter. It's great that our tamariki can spend time outside enjoying the warmer days and soaking up the vitamin D we missed in the winter.

Today we celebrated Tongan language week with a shared flag raising, complete with the Tongan national Anthem, Tongan inspired rotations in the middle block and a fun time all together in the afternoon, where classes shared Tongan songs, they had learnt during the week.

Next week is EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) week. Room 9 are off to camp from Wednesday to Friday, while the rest of the school are visiting the Brickman Dinosaur Lego display in Wellington, followed by a play at the park, or an adventure through Te Papa on Thursday 14th. Students who would find this too taxing will be enjoying an hour at Jumparama with their teacher aides.

On Tuesday 12th September, a group of Room 2 students will walk to Walter Nash Stadium to participate in a junior dodgeball festival. They will leave school at 9.15am and return at about 1.00pm for a late lunch.

Mr P's retirement at the end of term will leave a huge gap in our school. One of the tasks he has undertaken over the years has been preparing breakfast for the students, 4 days a week. As this won't be happening anymore, we are looking for volunteers to come in from 8.00-9.00am, to make breakfast for our tamariki.

If you are interested in volunteering in this way, please contact the school office and Cherie can set up a time for you to chat with me about what is involved. All volunteers will need to be police vetted as they will be working directly with children.

As the sun has returned, I am reminded that in term 4 students will need to wear *bucket hats* when in the playground. We are a sun smart school, and caps are not sufficient to protect the ears and neck from the sun's harmful rays. We are looking to source bucket hats for our students. Please ensure your tamariki leave their caps at home.

Iti noa ana, he pito mata

From the withered tree, a flower blooms.

Ngā mihi nui,

Sherilyn Hall

In room 1, students made flowers for in their hair



reminders

Absences

Please phone or email the school office if your child is going to be away or late. Unexplained absences are recorded as truant by the MoE.

Calendar

12 September

Junior Dodgeball at Walter Nash Stadium

13-15 September

Senior camp (Yrs 5/6) @ YMCA Camp Kaitoke

14 September

Year 1-4 trip to Brickman Lego & Superheroes trip to Jumparama

22 September

Last day of Term 3

8 October

First day of Term 4

Pomare School 75th Jubilee

Friday 20th October
All day at school, followed by a dinner for delegates in the evening