



Pōmare SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term TWO - week 4 15 May 2026

Talofoa, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo e lelei, සුවසුඵ් Suostei, Bula Vinaka!

Kia ora whānau,

Four very busy weeks have flown by. Despite autumn illnesses, classes have been working through the new MOE provided assessments, in preparation for mid-year report writing. We have been impressed with how our year 3-6 ākonga have given these their best effort, even though they are unfamiliar and tricky.



Our little school is growing! In week 3, we enrolled our 100th student and now have a roll of 102. A big Pōmare welcome goes out to Rachael Pakau (in Pākuratahi), Mamo Tapsell and Alistair Phipps (in Mangaroa) and their whānau. Welcome back to Shivansh Rawat (also in Mangaroa) and his family, after an extended time away.

Our classes are bursting at the seams, but Kaiako and ākonga alike are taking it in stride and getting on with the mahi.

Student Leaders:



In week 3, I took our six student leaders to the World Vision Junior Leadership Conference for year 6-8 students. It was a long day, where they heard from some up and coming young leaders how they can make a difference in our world, and inspire others to do so too.

Part of the day involved planning some leadership of their own, and our team brainstormed ideas to raise funds for the Year Six end of year activities. It will be great to see them take the lead on this as the year progresses.

Library:

We have not had a functioning library this year, as it has been on the move again.



As of Friday afternoon, the library is ready to go in its new home near the the staffroom. From next week students will be able to visit it and enjoy all the wonderful books available to them.

Whole School PE:

The weather has been kind to us so far this term, which means that we have been able to continue our whole school PE sessions on a Friday afternoon. Ball skills are our current focus and tamariki have been enjoying the different ways these can be used (including in football – a current favourite).



Whānau Evening:

This coming Tuesday (19 May, 5:30pm) we will be holding our Term 2 Whānau Evening. Your child should have brought home a notice about the evening, with a return slip to let us know if you are coming. It is going to be a very full hour and half, not to be missed. The notice will be on the Hero App this weekend, if you would rather RSVP that way. We hope to see you there.

Waiho i te toipoto, kaua i te toiroa.

Let us keep close together, not far apart.

Ngā mihi nui,

Sherilyn Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fridays @ 9:15am

Whole school assembly – whānau are always welcome!

Fridays @ 1:45pm

Whole school PE sessions – whānau are welcome to join in

Mondays & Thursdays @ 1:30pm

Huttfest performance practices in the hall – guitarists and drummers who are willing to support us, would be greatly appreciated

Wednesdays @ 2:45pm

After school HuttFest practices in Room 2

Tuesday 19 May, 5:30-7:00pm

Term 2 Whānau Evening in the school hall – includes performances, visit to classrooms, information about changes to reports, and some kai to end

Monday 1 June

King's Birthday public holiday – no school

Monday 8 June @ 5:00pm

Pomare School Board meeting in the staffroom

Week starting 15 June

Learning Conferences and Reports – specific dates and times TBC

Friday 19 June @ 11:30am

Kahui Ako kapa haka sharing @ Avalon Intermediate School

Friday 26 June @ 12pm

HuttFest @ Walter Nash Stadium



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Free string (violin, cello, etc), woodwind (recorder, flute, clarinet, etc) or brass (trumpet, trombone, tuba, etc) lessons @ Pōmare School Hall, Monday and Wednesday after school.

Instruments are provided for students to use (also free) and all comers are welcome.

Go to <https://www.arohanuistrings.org/> to find out more, or email admin@arohanuistrings.org to register or ask any questions you may have.

This offer is open to all school age children, but is especially for our Pōmare School tamariki. What an amazing opportunity it provides our community!