



Pōmare SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term TWO - week 6 29 May 2026

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

Kia ora whānau,

I am writing this newsletter in Auckland, as I am attending a conference for principals of small schools from across New Zealand. This is an amazing opportunity, provided and paid for by NZEI, for me to connect with other principals from around the country and to learn more about how to lead our kura to get the best outcomes for our tamariki.



Our school is continuing to grow. A big Pōmare welcome goes out to two new ākonga who have joined us since our last newsletter - Luna Meteka (Pākuratahi) and Leilani Iafeta-Sialavaa (Mangaroa), and their whānau.

Whānau Evening:

It was wonderful seeing so many of you at our whānau hui last week. Our HuttFest team's performance gave us a taste of things to come, and we are very proud of Lamara for her solo clarinet playing, before a big crowd.



It was great having Constable 'Blue' explain the Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme, and its purpose, so clearly. It's good to know what our tamariki are going to be learning about and why it is important.

I know that for many of you, the visits to classrooms was the highlight of the evening, and so it should be. Our kaiako and ākonga have been working hard, and it's great for them to be able to share all their amazing learning with you.

It was also great to get some feedback from you around our Health Curriculum and offers of support with fund raising and working bees. If you haven't had a chance to give your feedback on Health Education at Pōmare School, here is the [link](#) to the online survey. We'd love to hear your thoughts.

Class Changes:

As you may be aware, our classes are currently full to overflowing. We have finally managed to secure funding from the MOE to open another class, to take pressure of ākonga and kaiako alike. This means, however, that we will need to do a complete reshuffle, as numbers are high across the school. Please keep an eye out for information regarding what class our tamaiti will be in, if they need to change, and come and see me or their class teacher if you have any concerns.

Please be assured that we will be working to cause as little disruption for our tamariki as we possibly can, and we will work hard to support them through the change.

Ka pū te ruha, ka hao te rangatahi.

The old net is laid aside, the new net goes fishing.

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 performance practice in Room 2

Monday 1 June

Kings Birthday public holiday – no school

Tuesday 2 June @ 9:10am

Samoan Language Week flag raising in the hall

Friday 5 June @ 1:30pm

Samoan Language week activities in Ngā Manu Groups, followed by flag lowering

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



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!