

Pomare SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term FOUR - Week 2  25 OCTOBER 2024

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

Kia ora whānau,

Welcome back to the final term of 2024. How the year has flown. It's been lovely seeing the smiling faces as the kids return from their two week break and get back into learning.

Spring is well and truly here, and summer is on its way. The mornings are cool and the days are warm, so please make sure your tamariki are dressed in layers they can take off as the day heats up.

New Bucket Hats:



Last week each child was given a new bucket hat, sponsored by KPMG, to wear during Term 4 and Term 1 when they are out in the sun.

These hats should stay at school. They have been named, so there are no mix ups. Should your child lose their hat, it will need to be replaced, as we only have enough for one each.

Magical Storyboard Hikio:

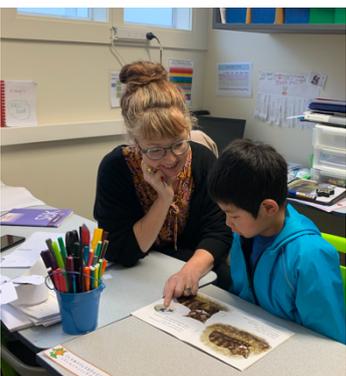
On Wednesday, Mr Singh took a group of students to Walter Nash Park for the opening of the new storyboards that have been placed around the park. We were only able to take a small group, but we do intend to take the whole school to have a walk around sometime this term.



As part of the celebrations, award-winning author and storyteller, Moira Wairama, told her version of the pūrakau of The Taniwha of Wellington Harbour, which is on display in the storyboards at present. Hopefully we will have some of our own tamariki's work on display there in the future.

Farewells:

Sadly, we are soon losing two of our wonderful staff members, as they move onto new adventures. *Fiona Glen* leaves us on 22 November, and *Rebekah Davies* finishes at the end of the year.



Fiona has been at Pomare School for many years, currently as our Reading Recovery teacher. Unfortunately, the government has decided that Reading Recovery is not needed anymore, and so it is coming to an end.

Fiona has been appointed as a Learning Support Coordinator for the Upper Hutt cluster of schools, based at Tawhai School. They are so lucky to have her, as she brings a huge wealth of knowledge and skills to the position.

Rebekah has also secured a Learning Support Coordinator position, starting in January 2025. She will leave a big hole in the junior part of the school as she has done such an amazing job with our new entrants over the past two years. Thankfully it is not really

goodbye, as Rebekah will be working for our Kahui Ako and will be at Pomare School once a week as part of her role.

Congratulations, Fiona and Rebekah. We are going to miss you both!

Staff Only Day:

Our staff only day is now being held on **Friday 15th November**.

This is an important day where we will begin to plan how we will introduce the new Maths and Literacy curricula in 2025.

There will be no school for our tamariki that day.



Coming Up:

Term 4 is always a busy term, with lots of events you can be part of. Please check the 'upcoming events' section at the end of each newsletter, so you don't miss out.

Enjoy the long weekend with your tamariki and we will see them back at school bright and early on Tuesday 29 October.

Mahia I runga I te Rangimarie me te ngākau māhaki.

With a peaceful mind and respectful heart, we will always get the best results..

Ngā mihi nui,

Sherilyn Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fridays, 9:15am

Whole school assembly – whānau are always welcome!

Tuesday 5 November, 3:30pm-5:00pm

Colour Disco – in the hall

Tuesday 12 November

School photo day

Friday 15 November

Staff only day – no school for our tamariki

Thursday 5 December

End of year trip to Owhiro Bay School

Friday 6 December, 9:30am

Helpers assembly and morning tea

Tuesday 17 December, 11:00am

Prizegiving and final assembly

Wednesday 18 December, 12:00pm

Term 4 ends

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Arohanui Strings is offering free tuition on the violin and other stringed instruments at an after-school programme, on Mondays in Pomare School Hall. Beginner sessions will run 3.30-4.30 pm, from 4 to 25 November. Come and give it a go, and if you are keen you can enrol online and find out more about us at arohanuistrings.org

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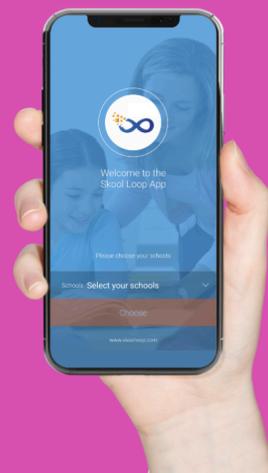
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