



Friends, Learners, Guardians
Whakahoahoa, Akonga, Kaitiaki

"Alofa atu nei, Alofa mai taeao" - "Kindness Given, Kindness Gained"

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 25th May 2018



What A Wonderful Week of Great Results



Congratulations to our winners in the ARTERSLIE art competition this past week.

Our school won the following categories:-

- Best Art in the Show - Sierrah Haughie
- Best Collaborative Art - "I AM" group
- Excellence in Year 5/6 - Liam Watkins
- Excellence in Year 7/8 - Tim Chukhutin

Congratulations Mr Meadows for your work!

And another congratulations for the Girls'

Soccer team who came 3rd in their tournament on Tuesday. Awesome work !

Important Dates

<i>May 28th</i>	<i>BOOK FAIR BEGINS IN THE LIBRARY</i>
<i>May 28th</i>	<i>Samoan Language Week begins in classrooms</i>
<i>May 30th</i>	<i>School Photos - please get all orders in before Tuesday</i>
<i>May 31st</i>	<i>TUPURANGA "IGNITE" VISIT TO MOTAT/MINDLAB</i>
<i>June 4th</i>	<i>Queen's Birthday Holiday - no school today</i>

Book Fair Monday 28th to June 1st
8.30 to 3.30 Friday to 2pm in the school library.

Community Corner

- You will notice a 'mini-makeover' is happening around the Oma, the Oak Tree area outside the Whakatōtanga classrooms. Thank you to our wonderful Susan Hall, and Zac McKee our Caretaker/Groundsperson team for the tireless energy they have given to this venture. Moving mulch from the demolished wooden fort area, to the oak tree area has not been easy - and wheelbarrow, by wheelbarrow they have made it all happen - next comes the planting and the new grass - please use only the stone paths being provided so as to keep the roots of the oak tree protected - we are trying to save the area as best we can.
- Walking School Bus - thank you so much to all parents who do the walking school bus - without you we would not have the success we are having - many thanks for the time you give to our children's safety
- Thank you to Martinique Roberts for bringing her dog Bobbie for our children to read to. Our Juniors have loved reading to Bobbie this week

in the library - their reading is so much more expressive when Bobbie is listening to him - and what a well behaved pet he is!

Reminders - things you can help us with for smooth operations!

→ **Start Times** - our school starts at 5 to 9 in the morning
Too many children are coming to the office well after 9am and when they are asked why they are late, often their answer is.....

“I slept in, because I went to bed late”

Please can children be at school by 8.50am - ready for action

→ **Photo Life Payments** - please have your envelopes in by Tuesday 29th May - most important if these are to be received.

→ **Book Fair** - our Library will be full of wonderful new books and activities next week (Monday - Friday). Please come along and help us buy new books for our Library and to buy some new exciting reading material for your children and families. A HUGE thank you to Mrs Wase and Ms Leewes for the work they continue to do to keep our Library functioning. We are in the process of planning a “mini make-over” for our Library so every dollar raised will help us achieve this goal. Many thanks !!

→ **Scout To School Event** - next Friday we will try to get as many children riding to school on their scooters as possible as part of our Travel Wise programme to cut down the car chaos at

the gate in the mornings. If your child is taking part in this - PLEASE make sure your scooter is NAMED as they will all be parked in the dental clinic. Sticker names on all scooters please.