



NEWSLETTER

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Monday 25 June 2018

Greetings, Kia ora, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Namaste, An Young Haseyo, Konichiwha, Bula Vinaka, Sawadee, Dobra Dan, Ni Hao, As-salamu alaykum, Hola

Dear Parents

It has been a busy couple of weeks getting to know this wonderful school, staff and of course the children.

First of all, I would like to say a big thank you to the parents and visitors who have taken the time to come and meet me. This is a short term appointment which will end when your Principal, Mrs. Watts is able to return, so I have appreciated the chance to get to know you. Hopefully, many more of you will take the opportunity to tell me about yourselves and your children.

Relievers

The shortage of teachers that you keep hearing about in the news is still affecting us as well as other schools around Auckland – we are all forced to share classes because of the lack of Relievers. We appreciate your patience in this difficult situation and will try to keep disruption to a minimum.

Welcome

I notice that many parents do not come to the classes at the end of the school day and so would encourage you to take the chance to see the teacher and talk about your child's progress. There are a number of after school meetings that staff have to attend, so it would be helpful to check with the teacher if there are things you wish to discuss.

Food in school

What amazing community support this school has – fruit, lunches etc. You seem to have very special sponsors indeed to have them help out in this way.

Regards

Steve Collins
Acting Principal

School Uniforms

We hope you're all keeping warm during the winter weather. Please make sure that the students have raincoats and umbrellas handy in this rainy wet weather. It is also wise to have a second set of school uniform available for your children to cover for winter weather. We have got some second hand uniform available please enquire in the office if you wish to purchase some. Please ensure your child's uniform is clearly named so we can return the item to them.

Panmure District School Bake Sale

The bakery is on putting on a bake sale this Wednesday in the School Hall. Children and parents are most welcome to come and purchase some scrummy bakery products. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Friday Fish and Chips Lunch

The family who supplies fish and chips meals to the school are going on holiday so there will be no fish and chip meals this week and next week.

Winning House



Congratulations Kowhai House, Fakatau, Dontrae and Brooklyn are the proud Kowhai house leaders.

What's been happening at PDS?

Taekwondo

We've come to the end of Taekwondo for Term 2. Rooms 1, 2 and 3 had heaps of fun learning about Taekwondo. Check us out!



Sanaa from Room 2 learning how to block.



Room 2 and the Taekwondo instructor.

Options:

Gardening Club

Every Wednesday afternoon we go to our option. Here are some photos of the Gardening Group working on their vegetable garden and the flower garden in front of Room 4.



Children's Work



The seven girls died. God made the girls into stars.
God lives on the clouds.

By: Christian Comer

Panmure District School Head Boy – Biography

Malo e lelei! My name is Faioso. I was named after my great grandfather. I was born in New Zealand but my family comes from Tonga and Samoa. My nick name is Oso because that is easy for them. My favourite school is Panmure District School. My favourite music is rapping and singing.

My best friends are Brooklyn and Toapasi. I wish I lived in Tonga because I like my culture and language a lot. My favourite place is going to church because we get an opportunity to meet people and sing Tongan songs in the name of Lord Jesus. My favourite colour is red and blue.

My favourite food is Tongan food is Taro, lu sipi, ika, and ota. Apart from Tongan food I love to eat food from Burger King and KFC. My favourite super hero is Flash and my favourite movie is Ride Along.

I have three brothers and three sisters altogether there are eight members in my family including my parents and I'm the youngest member in my family. My favourite sport is Rugby because I play for a team in Mt. Wellington Rugby club.

I like being called a Tongan because I enjoy cultural food, festivals, music, language, clothes and dances. I also like living in New Zealand because there are a lot of theme parks and staying here with my family. I am a very happy person and I laugh a lot. I can speak three languages- English, Tongan and Samoan. I enjoy outdoors and I like sitting under the tree for fresh air.

I am so lucky that I have grown to be a responsible and good student at Panmure District School. I enjoy doing my duties as a School head boy and a Student Councillor. My dream is to help people who are in need of food and shelter in Tonga.

By: Faioso Uilou Room 05

Duffy Awards –

Faiva Helu	Jasper Sanidad
Franz Rama	Aleksandra Tikhonova
Cloyan Ares	Sione Ofakineiafu
Mana Maafu	Christian Comer
Jaymar Inoncillo	Lorraine Toki



Merit Awards

Room 01 -

Misi Faitua for his great interest in Maths. Did all his additions correctly.

Gamza Daikum for his excellent improvement in reading, Writing and Maths activities

Room 02 -

Zion Naivaluvou for holding ideas in his head and for copying words neatly.

Ming Hao for settling into Room 02 and for his enthusiasm for learning.

Room 03 -

Ztarhy Taliai for his efforts to present his speech and using clear diction.

Sotheary McQuade for showing good leadership skills and being a reliable IT monitor.

Room 05 –

Benja Wamontree for solving maths problems using mental strategies.

Brooklyn Taufa for actively taking part in various team sports.

Room 07 –

Issac Lauti for writing and solving problems which involve multiplication and division.

Ana Kaufusi for being able to identify the key ideas in a word problem that involve multiplication and division.



Upcoming Events:

Wednesday 27th June

Bake Sale. Baked goods from our Baking Programme will be available to students to purchase. Prices range from \$1-\$3.

Thursday 28th June

Dog Safety Talk for Junior School. As we head towards the school holidays, it's important for children to learn how to approach pets safely
Leadership Talk for the Senior School. Mitchell Chandler, an Auckland University student will be talking to our senior school students

Friday 29th June

House Arts Competition: Kowhai, Totara, Rata and Puriri will be competing to see which house takes out best Maori song, English song, chant and video presentation.

Monday 2 July

Hip Hop afternoon dance session in the Hall

Wednesday 4 July

School Speech Competitions for Years 4 - 5

Friday 6 July

Student Council assembly. All welcome.

Term Dates

Term 02 ends on Friday 06 July.

Term 03 starts on Monday 23 July

Term 03 ends on Friday 28 September