

## Panmure District School Newsletter

Term 4, Week 1 – Monday 15 October 2018

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

### From the Board Chair - Mr Ivanhoe Vea

Dear Parents,

I can share at this point that our Principal Ms Rebekah Watts is still on sick leave. I am in regular communication with her and I will advise you all in due course of her return. We're wishing her a speedy recovery. I can assure you all our main focus remains on meeting our children's education needs and outcomes. I would like to take this opportunity to especially thank you all for your continuous support. I also want to acknowledge our staff's dedication and commitment to our children's education. Again, please feel free to come into the School and say hello to the staff. I am sure such a gesture will be an inspiration to staff. Any comments and questions are welcome. I will ensure to respond as soon as I can. Thank you all.

### From the Acting Principal - Miss Alano

Welcome back to a busy term 4! I hope you enjoyed the holidays with your children and family. The kids look eager to start back. We have a busy term 4. This morning we had a powhiri to welcome our new whanau. We know they'll settle in well to our PDS whanau. Welcome to Fa'alili and Nathanael, Wallymei, The Mohammed family, Toeumu, Houston, Shuaid and Arnav. Thank you to the Mohammed family for joining us at this mornings' powhiri.



Welcome to our new families

### Community Meeting

Our Year 7 and 8 students will have a puberty talk on Wednesday 14th November here at school. **There is a community meeting beforehand on Monday 5th November at 5pm in Room 6** so that parents are aware of the content of the talk. Please attend if you are able to.

### Hindi Speech Competition

Congratulations to Evlyeen, Elvrina, Evnik Ram and Aarnav Kumar who participated in the Hindi Language Speech Competition last month. Evlyeen placed 4th in the Year 5 category. Congratulations Evlyeen.



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## Careers Talk

This term, our senior school students in Rooms 5 and 7 will have people from different careers come and talk to them so that they're aware of what occupations are available out there and to get them exposed to new learning. So far we have booked a: lawyer, accountant (from FMA - our homework club volunteers), builder/business owner, Nurse, Physiotherapist and people from The Oyster Group who deal with property and who are in partnership with our school. If you know of any people who would be interested in speaking to our senior students, please let us know their contact details.

## Term 4 learning

We are learning about sustainability with a particular focus on Bees and pollination. Some beehives will be set up in front of Room 8 in 3 weeks. A beekeeper will come into our school to talk to the children and share Bee information with them. **The cost for this is \$3.** This can be paid to the office or to the classroom teacher **before Thursday 1 November.**

## Hells Pizza Reading Challenge



Please see attached letter.

## Te Tuhi Art Gallery Trip

We are also learning about visual arts this term. Week 7 is our visual arts week dedicated to visual art learning. Our Art will be displayed in the Hall for you to view. Until then, we'll be taking a free trip to the Te Tuhi Art Gallery to have a go at producing some Art. Please see the attached letter for further info. Please note: classes attend on different days. **We are looking for 2 parent helpers per class**, if you can help, please let us know.

## Term 4 Sport

-Tamaki Cluster Touch Competition Tuesday 13th

November Years 5-8

-Tamaki Cluster Athletics Competition Wednesday 5th

December Years 3-8

-Friday after school touch Mt Wellington Rugby Club - Start date TBC. Year 7/8s only

-School Athletics Day - Friday 16th November.

If you are able to help out with transport or attend any of these events as a parent helper, please let us know. We'd appreciate all the support we can get.

## Breakfast Club/Baking Programme

Free Breakfast daily in the Hall from 8am-8:30am.

Baking Programme every Wednesday 9am - 2:40pm. All parents welcome.

## Roadworks

Please be aware this is happening at the Mt Wellington Highway end of Malone Road. Please encourage children to walk carefully to and from school if they come this way.

## Diversity Week/Diwali

We have decided to celebrate the diversity of Panmure District School by having a **Diversity week from Monday 5th November to Friday 9th November.** This coincides with Diwali. We would love to have our parents involved with helping us to create some rangoli patterns, make barfi, show us how to put on a sari and any other fantastic ideas you might have. Please let us know if you'd like to be involved. This will end on Friday 9th November with a Diwali themed assembly hosted by our lovely new entrant class - Room 2. **All children are encouraged to wear cultural dress on Friday 9th November to end our celebrations.**



## Niue Language Week



### **Early release pass**

If you pick up your child early, please sign them out of the school office first. Here you'll be issued with a pass to give to the classroom teacher. Classroom teachers can not release children without a pass. This is for safety reasons. If you have any questions about this, please ask at the Office.

### **Some Term 4 dates**

BOT Meetings: Wednesday 21 November and Wednesday 12th December. 6:30pm.

Tamaki Touch - Tuesday 13th November

Hearing and Vision Testing - Monday 19th November

Muffi Day - Friday 30th November

Tamaki Cluster Athletics - Wednesday 5th December

End of year awards assembly - Friday 7th December

Team Outing Day - Tuesday 11th December

Year 8 Graduation Celebration - Thursday 13th December

Last Day of School: Friday 14th December.

Some of these dates may change, we'll keep you informed.

Here are some photos of our fantastic students learning in action.



Filming for 7 Days earlier last term.



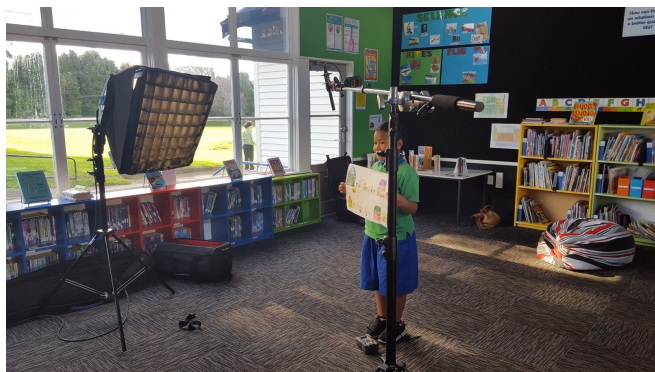
Dog safety talk with Room 1



Kiwisport: Hip Hop Term 3 2018



Filipino speech competition winners late last term.



Looking forward to continuing our great work together. Please ask at the office if you have any questions or phone 5277659.