

# NEWSLETTER

Term 03, Week 4  
Monday 12 August 2019

*Working together to grow innovative, confident, resilient leaders.*

*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*

## Farm to Table Programme

We are well into our organisation of our farm to table programme. We welcomed 5 new chickens into our school last week and have been collecting approximately 4 eggs per day from them. John has been working hard to install a pig pen for our new pigs who will be arriving tomorrow. We need helpers to ensure that our pigs and chickens are looked after properly on the weekend. If you are able to support us with feeding them over the weekend, please get in touch with us.

## SPCA Cupcake Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who supported the SPCA cupcake fundraiser by purchasing cupcakes. We were able to raise \$300.10 to go towards SPCA.

## Student Led Conferences

Thank you so much to all of our whanau who came along to the student led conference evenings. We had a great turnout.

## Cook Island Language Week

Last week we celebrated Cook Island language week. We finished our week with a special assembly which was organised by Room 1. Thank you to everyone who got involved with Cook Island language week.

## Cross Country

Unfortunately we had to postpone school cross country due to weather. We are hoping to hold it this Friday at 11am.

Please keep an eye out on our school Facebook page for any further postponements.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Wednesday 14 August

6.30pm: Board of Trustees Meeting

### Friday 16 August

11am: School Cross Country  
2pm: Singing Assembly

### Wednesday 21 August

Grandparents Day

### Friday 23 August

2pm: Assembly (Room 2)

### Wednesday 28 August

Tamaki Netball  
EZ Cross Country

### Friday 30 August

Daffodil Day  
2pm: Singing Assembly

### Monday 2 September – Friday 6 September

Tongan Language Week

### Friday 6 September

2pm: Assembly (Room 6)

## Attendance

It is important for your child to be at school every day. When your child misses school, they miss important learning. If your child is absent due to reasons that as a school we can support you to get them here, please contact us. It is also important that your child starts to get into

good habits around being on time to school every day.

## Lost Property

We have lots of lost property at school in the office. If your child has misplaced some of their uniform, please encourage them to come and check the lost property box. We return all named clothing to students straight away. Please name your child's clothing so it can be returned when they misplace it.

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs every morning from 8am to 8.20am. We serve toast with spreads, baked beans, yoghurt and weet-bix during this time. Please feel free to stop in with your child and enjoy breakfast time with them.

## Kidscan

We are a Kidscan school. Kidscan provides top up lunches for our students, hygiene products as well as our school jackets. They also provide shoes for those students who need them. If your child needs shoes for school, please don't hesitate to call the office so we can order these for them.

## Facebook Page

Have you joined our Facebook page yet? We will be putting reminders and photos up throughout the year so keep informed of what is going on by adding us. If you search @panmureds you will be able to find us.

## Farm to Table



## Cook Island Language Week Assembly Performance



## SPCA Cupcake Fundraiser



# Students Work

## Environment speech

Take a second to breathe in and out. Enjoy the fresh air because in our future this may not be a luxury you have.

Close your eyes. See our forest giants falling at the cruel hands of our greed. Our chimneys puffing smoke for our comfort and sea creatures lying lifeless on our beaches that are covered in our scattered rubbish.

Rubbish we were too lazy to dispose of more carefully. Wake up people! Is this a future we want? Where we prioritise our lifestyles at the cost of our environment. Trees give us life and if the earth were our body the ocean would be our breathing... In and out with the tides. Pumping water around the globe for us. Without trees, without water we will become the bodies lying lifelessly on our beaches, in our parks, everywhere you look.

Haven't you noticed global warming is always headlines, because of our unknown blunders such as car exhaust, industrial revolution and other types of pollution? The air ends up as global warming. So, let's turn greenhouse gasses into clean house gasses filled with refreshing oxygen and stop allowing the industrial revolution to rise the temperature.

Let's all make sure that more public transport will be used to get less traffic also reduction in greenhouse gasses such as carbon dioxide being released in the air.

In recent years and counting our marine life and nature reserves were in deep crisis! Most of the causes are by unwanted waste in oceans, lakes and rivers. Doesn't that make you think how sea creatures are being affected, with rubbish accidentally swallowed in then (next morning headlines a whale has been found reclined silently in shallow water!)

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Lately our teenagers went for strike about climate change, most students had exams to sit such as N.C.E.A but they didn't care and went for strike. Most of the youth's response was "our parents and politicians don't care about climate change so it's our time to take a stand after all it's our future." This is the type of motivation we desperately need. I support this statement, so stop modifying the climate system because of carbon dioxide or any other reasons of air pollution.

Speaking about today's youth alarms me of our future generations. If we don't look after our environment what will be left for our generation ahead of us! Imagine not knowing about plants and trees, from generation to generation to ancestor to ancestor will have a question! Why do we leave this earth in a horrible state which is polluted, and you know what's so strange, astronauts are looking for life on other planets because today's world didn't have the gratitude towards the environment? Life ahead of us will be starving to know more about the environment, forests and rainforests, what will be your answer to their questions? We kids look at what our parents do and if they model us the wrong behaviour in what way does it look like we won't do the same.

So today's generation I challenge you take out time and visit a park, see what's the environment status around you and think about how you can make it a better place. Let's all stop letting the environment suffer from pollution, rubbish dispersed everywhere and climate change affecting our future generations. At the end of the day we love the earth it is our planet; we love the earth it is our home.