

Wednesday 26 July 2017



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 3 and a special welcome to all our new pupils and families. I've met some of you already and over the next few weeks and especially with Goal setting coming up I hope to meet everyone. Please also feel free to come in and see me too, my door is always open.

Goal Setting



As I have said before it is only by working in partnership that we can achieve the best results for your child's learning so every year we have goal setting nights. Our next goal setting nights will be on:

- Wednesday 2nd August
- Thursday 3rd August.

Powerful learning occurs when the home, school and child are all focused on learning goals. We have tried to give you the time you requested or as close to it as we can so we look forward to seeing you all next week.

Sistema

As I mentioned before, every Yr2 pupil have the opportunity to take part in the Sistema music programme. This is a fantastic programme for your son or daughter to learn an orchestral instrument and it's all FREE.



I have read the research on Sistema and there is a wealth of benefits for children who



stick with the programme. The Sistema experience helps develop

- **Talented musicians**
- **Better academic results**
- **More positive can do attitudes**
- **Aspirational life choices**

So if you haven't enrolled your Yr2 child yet, there is still time, but you need to grab this chance quickly. If you have any queries please contact Mrs Lorine Ainoa

The Ned Show

On Tuesday 8 August at 10am, we will have a FREE show. The NED Show is a character education programme that centres around three important messages that have life long relevance: **Never give up, Encourage others & Do your best.** During the assembly, students will learn about NED's three messages while enjoying the storytelling, magic, humour and yo-yo trick (see attachment for further details)

Junior School Bell Times

8:45 School Starts
A reminder about our Junior School Bell times especially if you are just starting with a new 5 year old. I recommend that you bring your child to school around 8.30am-8.40am so they can settle themselves; buy lunches, get their reading books out, put their bags away, etc.

10:50 1st LUNCH: Eating inside bell
1:10 2nd LUNCH: Eating inside bell
2:45 School Finishes

At the end of the day it is also really important that if you are picking your child up that you are there just a few minutes before the home time bell which goes at 2.45pm so you re-connect with your child.

Waiting for a child is hard and if you aren't there they may try and walk home or go with a friend to play or roam off to the park or go to the shops and then when you turn up they are gone and you are just left worried sick. If in an emergency you are going to be late please ring Ms Wilson in the school office and she will inform your child's teacher. REMEMBER, if you need after school care we have our **SKIDS after school care programme** and for many families this is at **either low cost or no cost.** Well worth checking out if you need this support

Samoan Speech competitions

As I mentioned last time, our Samoan Bilngual has been one of the top three schools in the FAGASA Auckland Samoan Speech Competitions. Next week, 4 of our Lumanai students will compete in the FAGASA National Samoan Speech Competition in Christchurch. We are proud of how the community and teachers have inspired and nurtured our fanau/tamariki to hold on to their language, culture and identity in order to succeed in a different environment/setting.

Students:

Year 5: Cecilia Alapae Satui 2nd
Carmen Matautu Tetele 5th

Year 6: Nevaiahlia Leuamuli 2nd
Agnes Taefu 3rd
We wish all these students and their families all the best for the competition. Faafetai.

Winter

As much as I want the spring, it is still a long way off and it's likely at it will be a time of cold days for the next month or two. It's important for your child's health that they put on jumpers, jackets and shoes and socks. Thanks to our **Kids Can sponsorship** we have given out shoes and jackets for those pupils who need it. Please help your child look after their gear and wear it. It's just too cold and wet for anything else. We would prefer your child to be in school uniform but I'd rather they wear even an old jumper if they are cold.



Junior Award

The hardest working pupils this week are: Roderick loelu from Room 1 for improvement in Reading and from Room 2 we have David David for great improvement in Writing. Our congratulations to both these hard working pupils.

Yours truly,
John Shearer
Principal

Return Slip (Return this slip and go in the draw for a book prize!) I have received the newsletter & I have read it.



Signed.....

