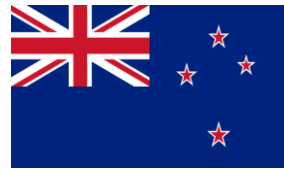


Wednesday 29th June 2016

Dear Parents/Caregivers,



2016 BOT election results

My congratulations to the following parent representatives who have been elected onto the new Board. We all look forward to working with you over the next three years and welcome both new and returning members to the team.

Junior School
Tua Amerika
Malia Fononga

Middle School
Ioane Vine
Fale Sinoti

Senior School
Tupou Manapori
Damon Salesa

'He tangata, He tangata, He tangata!'

(Maori proverb: What is the most important thing in the world? It is people, it is people, it is people!)

Samoan Speech Competitions and Cultural Day

Again our congratulations to our Samoan bilingual team who are doing amazing work in developing both English and Samoan languages. At the recent F.A.G.A.S.A YR5 & YR6 speech competition our pupils did extremely well.

Yr5:

Agnes Taefu 1st place
Nevaiahlia Leuamuli 3rd place

Yr6:

Penelope Tanuvasa 2nd place
Praise Saumani 4th place



As the girls won their regional zone they are now going forward to the national championships which will be held in August. This is excellent news and the third year in a row that the Junior School have won their way through to the National championships.

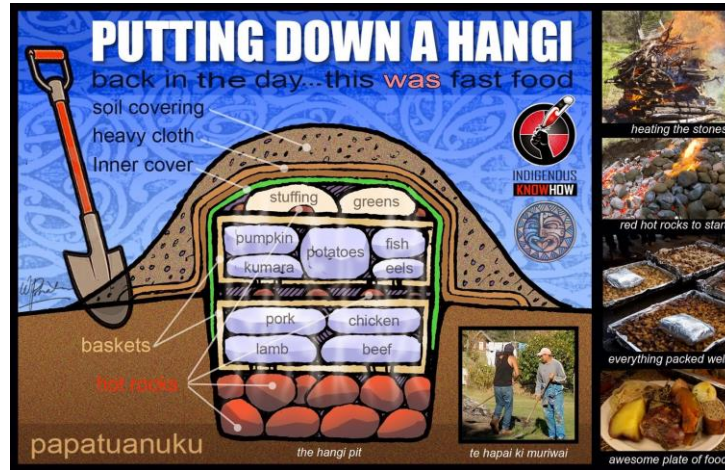
This Friday we are holding a Samoan Culture Day: The programme includes a variety of hands on activities which aims at reinforcing the learning taking place in the classroom. After researching weaving, scraping

the coconut and making coconut cream, preparing kava (not real kava) and drumming, they are now going to actually do it with the help of the experts - the parents. A letter with full details was sent last week.

MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK

On the last week of the term the Collegiate will be celebrating Maori Language week. As part of the celebrations we are going to put a hangi down for all the students in the Collegiate and we need every student to bring either a potato, or kumara, or pumpkin. We also ask that each student brings \$2.00 which will cover the meat costs. We ask that the students bring this along starting next week.

This will be the first time that we will be putting down such a massive hangi and we hope you will help us by supporting this project.



Please bring a potato, or a kumara or a piece of pumpkin and \$2 for the chicken!

Yum! Oh this looks so good!



Sistema

As I mentioned before every year two pupil has had the opportunity to take part in the Sistema music programme. This is a fantastic opportunity for your son or daughter to learn an orchestral instrument and it's all free. At this stage the school has been able to support this as it has been a school

based programme but as we come into the holiday period you need to support your child to make sure they get there and are picked up. Please read your child's holiday course information carefully.

Year 2 students wishing to attend the holiday course will need to complete a registration form and return it to school ASAP. If you have any queries please contact Ms Itere.

Health and wellbeing- Rugby league

Recently our teams took part in their zone Rugby League tournament at Ngati Otara Park and they played hard and played fair and did very well indeed.

Results: 1st Girls Team
2nd Under 45kg Boys Team
5th Boys Team

Our congratulations to all our teams and their coaches.



As a result our Girls and under 45kg Boys Teams will be going forward to the Champion of Champion tournament which is being held on Thursday 30th June at Finlayson Ave Reserve, Clendon Park. As always you are warmly welcomed to come along and support your son or daughter. Permission letters have already been sent home.

Lumana'i Mid-Year re-organization

In Term 3 there will be some classroom re-organization within the Samoan Bilingual Unit. If your child has been affected, you should have received a letter stating the class that your child is moving up to and his/ her new teacher. We will trial this shift in Week 10 (next week) so your child will be ready to go after the school holidays. We are expecting the move for your child to go smoothly but please feel free to come and see me if you have any concerns.

Raffle

The Junior syndicate is holding a raffle to raise funds to get our tamariki to MOTAT in Term 3. If you would like to go into the draw for a wonderful hamper of goodies please see Ms Pulini in Room 3 for a ticket. The hampers look great!



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 we can see what temporarily do for your child. Don't forget 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

Junior Award

The hardest working pupils this week are: Leilani Williams from Rm17 for working so hard to shift her level in writing from Level 2 Beginning to the beginning of Level 3 using words that she learned in Spelling. Also from Rm17 is Galo Leuamuli for working hard with his Spelling words. Our congratulations to both these hard working pupils.

End of term dates

Time goes so fast and I can hardly believe it but the end of Term II is drawing close. School will finish for the pupil's break on Friday 8th July at 2.45pm. We will recommence for Term III on Monday 25th July at our usual time of 8.45am. I hope you are able to take time out during the break and enjoy your child.

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.....

