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Tena koutou! Malo e Lelei! Fakalofa Lahi Atu! Talofa lava! Kia orana! Namaste! Kamusta! Rojbas! Hola! Salam Alaikum!

Term 1 - 10th March - 2023 - Newsletter 3

Buzzing Along.....

Exciting learning has been happening across the school. We have seen great attendance at school, which has been outstanding and with that great learning progress. Students are learning new ways of working in their learning studios and teachers are developing their team teaching models to meet student learning needs with more focus. Our learning inquiry for this term is "Ko Wai Au – Who am I". Students are able to share ideas about where they come from, their whanau and favourite things. Knowing who we are helps us to build relationships together and make connections with each other.

<u>HATS</u> —under our school Health and Safety policy students must wear a hat to be protected from the sun during Term 1 and Term 4. All students must bring a hat from home **with their name on it**, each day during this term and again in term 4. If students do not have a hat, they will stay in a shaded area chosen by the duty teacher.

Y5 & Y6 CAMP UPDATE

School Camp – Our Year 5 and Year 6 students will be heading off to camp in a week's time. Camp is part of this terms learning inquiry Ko Wai Au, giving students an opportunity to travel to a new place and learn in an outdoor environment. The camp activities aim to build student confidence, teamwork, problem solving and facing challenges. Mrs Webster will be leading the Rangitoto team.

Teachers & Principals Strike next Thursday 16th March – school closed

As you may know the Teacher and Principal Strike will go ahead **next Thursday 16th March**. This means that our school will be closed, as we cannot staff the school. Please make alternative arrangements for your child on this day.

Why Strike?

There are some changes that have been discussed between teachers, principals and the government. We need to attract and retain high quality educators by ensuring that our profession is supported for the work that we do. The offer by government did not meet the expectations of teachers and principals and therefore they have voted to strike. This decision was not made lightly.

Thank you for understanding in advance.

Meet the Teacher Event - Thank you to the parents & caregivers who attended the Meet the Teacher event this week. It was great for teachers to meet and get to know parents and whanau! We look forward to more events this year with our families.

Have a great weekend & take care.

Nga mihi nui,

Mrs Latoa-Leví

SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE - Our school Facebook Page and school Website are the best places to keep up to date with school events and messages. **We will relaunch our new School Facebook page soon, so keep a look out for this change.**



<u>HAT POLICY</u> - Term 1 - Hats must be worn outdoors. Students without a hat will play in the shade. "No hat, No play, No fun today!"



WATER & DRINK BOTTLES - Bring a water bottle every day, to stay hydrated. Students can refill their bottles throughout the day. **Bring your drink bottles!**

NEW ENROLMENTS

If you have pre-school children who will turn 5 years old at any time or wanting to enrol older children, please contact our Office Manager Ms Konia at the Office for an Enrolment Pack. This helps us to plan for staffing and classes. (09) 480-7469

<u>Absences or Messages Line</u>- ph. - 022 5193610 - Please call or text if your child is absent from school. Alternatively, you can still call the school office on 09 480-7469.

Dates for your Diary:

Thursday 16 th March	NZEI Teachers and Principals Strike Day – school closed
Monday 20 th March –	TEAM RANGITOTO CAMP WEEK
Wednesday 22 nd March	Peter Snell Youth Village
Wednesday 29 th March	Mobile Library Visit to school
Friday 24 th March	School Assembly in the hall – all welcome
Thursday 6 th April	Last day of Term 1 (due to Easter starting on Good Friday)



ANOTHER FREE COMMUNITY MEAL

Saturday 18th March 5:30pm

at the Takapuna Methodist Church

With thanks to Methodist Message Northern