

**Tena koutou! Malo e Lelei! Fakalofa Lahi Atu! Talofa lava! Kia orana! Bula Vinaka!  
Namaste! Kumusta! Rojbas! Hola! Salam Alaikum! Hai! Xin chào! Ayubowan!**

Term 2 – 11<sup>th</sup> June 2024 – Newsletter 8

*Welcome to this week's newsletter. A warm welcome to our new students and families, we hope you enjoy your time at our school. Please see staff if your need support while you settle in.*

## FOCUS WEEK!



This term's Focus Week was filled with all things science and cultural activities and was a welcome start to our new Inquiry Learning focus, ***Nga kaiwhakatere o te rangi – Navigators of the Sky***. Students started the week with in-class science experiments, that saw classes working with other teachers. From mixing and testing to cooking and tasting, students and teachers were amazed at the questions and discussions had with students.

The team from OMEXOM provided a Science Day for our learners with a variety of science experiments. From electrical currents to liquid tornadoes to hitting a target with a pressurised machine. They also took us to great heights in a bucket truck where students (and the principal) threw water balloons from above at a target below. We finished the day with a sausage sizzle lunch with the OMEXOM team.

It was also Samoan Language Week and classes participated in Pacific artwork, learning Samoan songs and dances. Unfortunately, we were unable to have our assembly as planned, due to the severe weather. We will share our planned items at another assembly later this term.

## WHANAU HUI – The topic Celebrating Culture Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 6pm

Come along and share your ideas about all things cultural! Share ideas on ways we can develop culture and language at our school. It could be events or cultural groups, language weeks, Te Reo Māori, Noho marae, sport, education etc What is important for your child to experience at OS?

All welcome! To be held in the Staffroom

### Have you booked a time? - LEARNING CONFERENCES – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 8am -4pm

Learning Conferences will take place for one day on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June**. School will only be open for learning conferences on this day. **Students must attend the Learning Conference** with their Parent/Caregiver, to share their learning at this time of the year.

## MATARIKI Breakfast– Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June

This year we are celebrating Matariki with a **Matariki breakfast and lanterns**. We will send you an update soon to confirm what this day will look like as it will be an early start. We welcome any support or help towards this day! See your child's teacher if would like to help.

## Kahui Ako Conference – Teacher Only Day for Professional Development

Staff attended a professional development day at Northcote College. It was an opportunity to for our local ECES, Primary Schools, Northcote Intermediate and Northcote College staff to share and learn together. The keynote speaker was Russell Bishop and there re were several workshops for staff to attend. Mrs Latoa-Levi presented a workshop to showcase our school and the journey we have made over the last 5 years, including our amazing history and mana.

Noho ora mai,

*Mrs Latoa-Levi*

### Dates for your Diary:

Date:	Event:
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	School Assembly 2pm
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Storyline Author visiting our school
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>LEARNING CONFERENCES</b> School is only open for learning conferences on this day.
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	5pm School Board Meeting. All welcome.
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>PHOTOLIFE!</b> Get your smile ready!
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>MATARIKI BREAKFAST</b> – time tbc
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>MATARIKI HOLIDAY</b>
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	<b>WHANAU HUI – All welcome 6pm in the Staffroom</b>
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	9:30am Duffy Book Assembly Local MP Dan Bidois visiting
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Term 3 ends