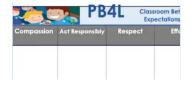
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Thursday 8 February 2024

This week's PB4L Focus: Acting Responsibly within the Classroom

Learners and teachers have been working hard to create an inclusive learning environment for their first few days back at school. Each classroom - teacher and learners, have created an agreed set of principles for their classroom



expectations. This promotes a positive, safe and predictable environment by providing a common language and acting as a tool to teach expected skills. Please continue to talk with your child about how to make a smooth transition back to school.

He aha te tupu i Tirimoana! What's happening at Tirimoana!

Ngā mihi mahana koutou katoa e te whānau - Warm Greetings to you all



Welcome to school, and welcome back to school for the start of the 2024 school year. This year we started differently with an open morning the day before school started, to enable parents and children to meet their 2024 teacher, to 'break the ice' for the return to school, and to share some information about the class and the year ahead. Let us know how this went for you and your children.

Today is Day 5 of the term, and we expect by tomorrow that most children will now be back in school. We enrolled 47 new students to start the year, including 28-5 year olds. These 5 year olds will most likely finish their schooling in 2036 and 2037!



For most children this has been a smooth transition back into school. We do know that for some children, adjusting back to school can be difficult with anxiety. Please talk to your child's teacher if your child is feeling anxious or unsettled in school. This usually passes by the end of February.

Hot February Weather



As in most years, February is proving to be a hot month, with a lot of sunny days. Please remind your children to wear their school hat or cap, and to bring a drink bottle of water to school each day.

Over the school holidays we installed heat pumps/air conditioners in many of our classrooms. This is a big, costly project so we have to do this work in stages. We began with 14 classes this summer. In all other classrooms we encourage teachers to make sure that their rooms are well ventilated with plenty of fresh air, and we allow children to drink throughout the day.

Peter Kaiser Principal



Walking School Bus new route from next week - Mornings

We are starting a new morning walking school bus from Monday 12th Feb. Mr Kaiser and Gabby, one of our teacher aides, will leave the McLeod Road Coffee Shop at 8.30am. They will then walk down McLeod Road, turning up Finlow Drive, crossing Divich Ave and enter the school via the Metric Place entrance.

This walking bus will operate every school morning, rain or shine. You can join the walking school bus at any point along the route below.



For the safety of your child, please make sure your child joins the walking bus before you leave them (please do not leave children unattended).



Diversity Day Celebration: Thursday 15 February 9.00am Flagpole Court

On Thursday 15th February we will celebrate our diverse cultures by having a parade at school.

You can choose to wear your own cultural dress or one from a culture you have a connection with, or you can choose to wear mufti clothes that show you are a kiwi kid.

Parents are welcome to attend.











Te Whānau O Waipareira - Pop up Information Tent at School on Monday 8.30am - 9.30am and 2.30pm - 3.30pm

For the past 30 years, Waipareira have provided free services and support for whānau of all ages in West Auckland – health, legal, housing and education.

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- All Services (including Health campaigns)
- School Uniform, shoes, stationery etc
- Navigating whanau immediate needs linking to Whanau Direct

Te Whānau O Waipareira are looking forward to seeing you on Monday and will be sharing some kai!

Sunhats





Every learner is expected to wear a Tirimoana bucket hat or school cap. These can be purchased for \$12 from the office.



Uniform Shop Hours

Please beware as from this week the Uniform Shop will not be open Friday afternoons.

This gives us an opportunity to restock for Monday.

We look forward to seeing you any other time and day during the week.



New School App



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Week 3	Thursday 15 February	Diversity Day Parade 9.00am Flagpole Court
	Friday 16 February	Year 3: Bat First Cricket
Week 4	Wednesday 21 February	Mobile Library Bus at school
	Friday 23 February	Akld Cricket Girls Promo Sessions for Years 5 and 6
Week 5	Tuesday 27 February	Softball/Tball Zonal
Week 6	Thursday 7th March	Year 1-3 Athletics morning
	Friday 8th March	NZ Opera in school: Elixir of Love Y3-6
Week 7	Wednesday 13 March Thursday 14 March	Zonal Athletics Year 1 and 2 Swimming
Week 8	Wednesday 20 March Thursday 21 March	Class Photos Mobile Library Bus at School Year 1 and 2 Swimming
Week 9	Thursday 28 March Friday 29 March	Year 1 and 2 Swimming Good Friday: School is closed
Week 10	Monday 1 April Tuesday 2 April Thursday 4 April	Easter Monday:School is closed Easter Tuesday:School is closed Year 1 and 2 Swimming
Week 11	Thursday 11 April Friday 12 April	Year 1 and 2 Swimming Last day of Term 1



Dear parents and caregivers,

The Auckland Regional Dental Service (ARDS) is a Te Whatu Ora-operated service, which provides FREE dental care to children across greater Auckland. In order to prevent any eligible children missing out on receiving free dental care, ARDS is cross-checking their own records with school rolls. For our children's better oral health and wellbeing, our school roll will be shared with the service as required. To find out more information about ARDS, please visit ards.co.nz or call 0800 TALK TEETH (0800 825 583).





Mobile Library Bus visiting our school

In 2024 the Auckland Libraries Mobile Library Bus will begin visiting our school and all of our tamariki will get the opportunity to jump aboard and choose 1 or 2 books. This is a wonderful opportunity for them.

During 2024 if you already have your child signed up as a Library Member they will use this membership to issue a <u>maximum</u> number of 2 items. There are no overdue fines for these cards.

Those children who are not already library members can be issued with a 'Starter Card' which lets them borrow a maximum of 2 items, which Auckland Libraries will take responsibility for (you will receive reminders though via e-mail or post if items are overdue, however there will be no late fees or replacement costs to you).

Please help us retain this wonderful service and encourage respect for books by helping your child return their books to school or your local public Library (Ranui).

Children do-not need to bring their card to school, and you are welcome to visit your local Library to use their services too.

Please note that in order for children to have this opportunity we give your child's details to Auckland Libraries. This info will be used for creating the membership card only. Please notify the office if you DON'T wish this to happen or have privacy concerns. Likewise if your child has an existing membership & you do not wish them to use this card please let us know.





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