



Term 2 Week 4 Newsletter: Friday | Rāmere 24 May 2024

Kia ora, Mālō e lelei, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Salam alaikum, Bula Vinaka, Magandang araw, Namaste, Kumusta!

Kia ora whānau,

What a pleasure to meet whānau at our recent whānau conferences. Thank you for making the time to meet with your child's class teacher in spite of the cold wet weather. When parents and teachers work together as partners, it creates a more holistic approach towards education and students tend to have higher academic achievement.

If you have not been able to make it on the day, please call the school office to make an appointment with your child's class teacher to discuss your child's progress. Telephone conversations are also welcome. Please call the office and make a suitable time to talk with your child's teacher on the phone if you desire to do so.

Attendance

I want to take a moment to emphasize the critical importance of attendance. Attending school regularly not only contributes to academic success but also fosters a sense of belonging and community engagement. As we strive to provide the best educational experience for our students, consistent attendance plays a pivotal role.

We've recently reviewed the data from attendance referrals, and the insights gained are invaluable. Regular attendance directly affects a child's learning and overall well-being. We consider it to be chronic if your child is absent for 15 days or more during the term. Attendance notices will be sent out if your child's attendance is less than 70%.

Your child's attendance is marked as 'Unjustified' if you have not informed the school office of their absence. Please let the school know if your child is unable to attend school on the day by contacting the office or leaving a message on the school phone. Free phone number - 0800527634

Teacher Only Day

31 May is Teacher Only Day. The school will be closed for students on the day.

Trees for Survival

Our School is a part of the Trees for Survival project. Students in the Environment team have been looking after the saplings that are now ready to be planted. Students in the enviro team have received a permission slip to go out to Clevedon to plant trees on the 4 of June. Please return these slips to school with an indication of your permission for your child to engage in the project.

PALs

Our Student Leaders attended a day-long workshop on leadership skills.

In this workshop our student leaders learnt about organising and facilitating fun and engaging physical activities during lunch times. During the workshop our student leaders got a deeper insight of their roles and learnt to plan lunchtime games for younger students. A Huge Thank you to Brittany and Mari from Sports Auckland for the workshop.



A sneak peek into student mahi

Rm 8 has been learning about the water cycle. I was hugely impressed with Catalayah's work this week.

Title: My journey as a water molecule.

Hi! My name is May! And I'm a water droplet and I am here today to tell you about my journey as a water cycle!.

It was a sunny day and I was lying in the cold lake all alone. Time flew by until I felt like I was being carried off by the sun. After a few seconds of thinking I realised that I was evaporating into a gas. I looked around to see that my family members were with me too. I realised I wasn't alone. I could feel myself floating in the air turning into a gas. I then started forming into a cloud in the sky.(evaporation)

As I formed into the cloud (condensation) I became heavy and little droplets started to fall from my cloud body (precipitation) A little later I saw other droplets transforming into more and more droplets causing all the droplets to fall on the cold, wet, hard ground and onto the lakes and seas(accumulation).

That is the end of my journey as a water droplet/molecule as I have no more thermal energy. I feel so tired. Finally, I fall back on the surface of the earth as another water droplet and my new water cycle begins.

THE END.

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Important Dates this Term

Teacher Only Day - 31 May

Samoa Language week Assembly - 30 May

Trees for Survival planting day - 4 June

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