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Tēnā koutou, Mālō 'e tau lava, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kamusta, Ayubowan, Salam.

**Kia ora e te whānau!** With the warm spring weather finally here, we are thrilled to see our students showing **rangatiratanga** in their learning and **manaakitanga** with their friends. The sunshine brings a fresh vibe of energy and excitement to Tāmaki Primary School.

### Every Day Matters.

Coming to school every day is important for student learning.

This week we have celebrated significant **improvements** in attendance, celebrated **consistent** attendance, and made many phone calls, emails, and home visits for unexplained absences. We have had a HUGE focus on coming to school every day.

Parents play a big role in helping their children do well in school. You can do this by making sure your child comes to school every day. If your child is unable to attend school you must let the office know the reason why. Family holidays are not acceptable reasons for being absent.



## Go five-for-five

**Do the mahi, get the treats.**

School helps you get to where you want to be.

Over the last two weeks, we have seen a significant improvement in daily attendance from Tuesday to Thursday, and now we need to work on **Monday and Friday absenteeism**. Absences **DOUBLE** on Mondays and Fridays at TPS. School is five days a week, not three. We need our children at school every day to learn.

Health guidance published by Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora is available to help you decide if your child is well enough to attend school, please scan the link here:



At Tāmaki Primary School we have our Starship Community Nurse Natasha at our office every Monday morning to check health concerns and swab sore throats if required. If there are other needs, our new School Social Worker Victoria can help you too, she is here on Mondays and Fridays, all day. Both of these services are free. Just ring 0800 527 634 to leave a message, and we will do the rest.



Congratulations to **Room 6** who had 100% attendance on Tuesday this week. **Room 3** had 97% attendance on Tuesday and Wednesday. **Room 2** had 96% attendance on Tuesday and Wednesday.

**Today's learners are tomorrow's leaders - attendance is the first step to learning.**



## Celebrating Student Learning

**Semisi, Room 1**, is a super scientist, who is learning to observe experiments and write his ideas. He can use a capital letter to start his sentence, leave finger spaces between words, and use a full stop at the end of his sentence to be kind to his reader.



I can see the  
balloon is  
floppy and  
wrinkled.



**Samiuela, Room 2**, is a wonderful writer, who is learning to write a description. He can use his senses and similes to make his writing interesting.



Slime  
By Samiuela

Slime feels like honey. It feels sticky like playdough and it is as soft as a marshmallow. Slime feels soft like a chair and it is green and smooth like a feijoa. It smells like the shampoo that we use.

## Upcoming events

**Netball Tournament Years 3-8:** Wednesday 11 September at the Allison Ferguson Netball Centre in St Johns. The games run from 9:30-1:45 pm. Please come and support our athletes.

**Literacy Home School Partnership Hui:** If your child is enrolled in Tāmaki Primary School, you need to attend this meeting. 4.00-5.00 pm in the school hall. Thank you.

**Te Wiki o te reo Māori:** Monday 16 to Friday 20 September. Te Wiki o te Reo Māori is an annual celebration for all New Zealanders to show their support for the Māori language, an official language of this country. Our celebration assembly is now on **Thursday 19 September at 11:30 am**. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate with us.

**Te Puna Wairua Whānau Hui:** Tuesday 17 September. If your child is in Te Puna Wairua, you need to attend this meeting. Ngā mihi.

**School Board hui:** Wednesday 25 September @ 8 am in the boardroom. School board meetings are open to the public. If you would like to join us at the next board hui, please contact our Presiding Member Mr Kamaka Tarawa at [k.tarawa@tamakiprimary.school.nz](mailto:k.tarawa@tamakiprimary.school.nz).

Come to school on Monday. Mauri ora e te whānau.

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