



Whāia te ara tika | Pursue the right path

11a Alamein Road  
Panmure, Auckland 1072  
(09) 527 6345 | 0800 527 634  
admin@tamakiprimary.school.nz  
www.tamakiprimary.school.nz

Friday 13 December 2024

## End of Year Newsletter 2024

Tēnā koutou katoa

Āku mihi kia koutou, our appreciation to you all for your ongoing support for our vision of Whāia te ara tika, follow the right path in 2024. Together, we have been able to continue our learning partnerships and we have seen positive shifts in student attendance and engagement outcomes.

### Whānau Teams in 2025

Next year, we will start with three whānau teams: Te Puna Wairua, Dual Pacific Languages and English Medium.

Te Puna Wairua is our Year 1 - 8 Level One Rumaki Reo (81-100% te reo Māori) unit of classes. The teachers in Te Puna Wairua are:

Lee-Ann Tutengaehe	Room 2-3, Team Leader, Year 1-8 Rumaki Reo
Anahera-Pono Tutengaehe	Room 2-3, Year 1-8 Rumaki Reo
Milo West	Room 2-3, Classroom Release, Year 1-8 Rumaki Reo

Year 3-8 Dual Pacific Languages (31-50% in Lea Fakatonga or Gagana Samoa) team of classes. The teachers are:

Luti Tafea	Talamuka-'a-Tonga, Team Leader, Year 3-8 Lea Fakatonga
Mile Afoa-Leiataua	Room 9, Year 3-6 Gagana Samoa

The remainder of our classes are in the Year 1-8 English Medium team. The teachers in this team are:

Archana Sharma	Team Leader, Deputy Principal
Claire Mackenzie	Room 1, Year 1-2
Mikayla Madden-Snoad	Room 5, Year 2-3
Fuatino Grady	Room 8, Year 4-5
Joy Manuel	Room 6, Year 6-8
Susannah Goodman	Year 1-8 Visual Arts/Classroom Release Teacher

### [Stationery and school uniform sales](#)

In 2025, stationery will be free for all students enrolled at Tāmaki Primary School. This is a trial for 2025 only. We thank the School Board for their support for this.

School uniforms for 2025 can be purchased directly from the school office. Our school holiday open times and dates are 9:00 - 3:00 pm on Tuesday 28 January 2025 and 9:00 - 3:00 pm on Wednesday 29 January 2025. During term time, the office is open from 8:00-3:30 pm for the remainder of the year. We cannot accept cash, cheque, paywave or credit cards; we take internet banking transfers or EFTPOS only.

### School start back date and attendance

School starts back on [Thursday 30 January 2025](#) at 8:55 am. Please make sure your child attends school and is on time, every day. Regular attendance is the priority in 2025, which means your child must attend school more than 90% of the entire year. We urge you to commit to regular school attendance as it makes a significant difference to student learning, progress, achievement and wellbeing. It is not okay to miss school because school uniforms are in the wash, to go shopping with parents, or for a family holiday during term time. We have a nurse onsite every Monday, and a Social Worker Monday and Fridays. Reach out if you need medical or social worker support.

### Better late than never, but, never late is better

In 2024, 75% of the school had been late for school for more than 5 days. Being regularly late for school means missing out on vital learning time. [Never late is better](#), prioritise getting your child to school by 8:45 am every day.

### Sun Hats and Water Bottles

In Term One, all students need a named sun hat and reusable water bottle for hydration and sun safety. We have our new school hats for sale at the office for only \$12 each in 2025.

### Healthy kai

KickStart Breakfast club will continue from 8:00 – 8:45 am every day in the school hall. The Fruit in Schools programme will provide every child with a piece of fruit for their morning tea, every day.

The School Lunch Collective is our new lunch provider for all students in 2025. The School Lunch Collective will be delivering healthy school lunches every school day for the new model of Ka Ora, Ka Ako | Healthy School Lunch Programme. Lunch will be delivered to the school from Wednesday 30 January 2025, our first day of school. We will eat our lunch meal at 11:00 am, and will eat our afternoon tea snack at 1:00 pm.

### Water only school

We will again be a 100% water school in 2025 and we encourage your support with this by not sending your child to school with cordial, flavoured milk, fruit juice, energy drinks or fizzy drinks. These are treats and can be saved for when your child is not at school. Water is free and the best drink for your child's teeth and health. Please support this school dental health initiative.

Once again, thank you for your support for your child's education in 2024. We trust you will have a safe and peaceful summer break with those you love. We will see you back at Tāmaki Primary School on [Thursday 30 January 2025](#).

Whāia te ara tika, pursue the right path.

Nāku noa, nā

Carol Leota  
Tumuaki  
Tāmaki Primary School



# 2025 Enrolments

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

We are accepting new  
enrolments now.

## Special characteristics

- Te Puna Wairua Year 1-8 full immersion te reo Māori unit
- Talamuka-'a-Tonga Year 3-8 dual language (bilingual) Tongan unit (we accept out of zone enrolments for this unit)
- Vasega Samoa Year 3-6 dual language (enrichment) Samoan unit starting 30 January 2025
- English medium Year 1-8 (zoned)
- Free lunches programme (Ka Ora Ka Ako)
- No school fees or donations
- Free stationery in 2025
- Free one to one devices for learning at school



## Contact us

Carol Leota | Tumuaki  
cleota@tamakiprimary.school.nz  
www.tamakiprimary.school.nz

11a Alamein Road  
Panmure Auckland 1072  
027 555 4422  
0800 527 6345





School starts back  
Thursday  
30 January 2025

Put this on your fridge as a reminder.