

# NEWSLETTER

Term 02, Week 1  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> of May, 2021

*Working together to grow innovative, confident, resilient leaders.*

*Greetings, Kia ora, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Namaste, An Young Haseyo, Konichiwha, Bula Vinaka, Sawadee, Dobra Dan, Ni Hao, As-salamu alaykum, Hola, Ahlan wa sahlan*

Welcome back to Term 2. It has been so lovely to see so many smiling and happy faces back around the school this week, already engaging and enjoying the learning that has started. In our Junior School this week we have had Constable T and Constable Kelsey teaching our students about road safety. Be sure to check out this week's PDS TV episode to see some of the things they learnt. Up in the Senior School our students have been getting excited about this Term's inquiry topic that includes learning about the Olympic Games.

Next Monday a group of our senior students will be going out with Ms Lynch and Constable T to participate in a Police Course Training event. They have been practicing at school and are very excited about being a part of this event. If you are wanting to pop along and watch it is happening down at the local Netball Courts and will run through most of the morning.

A reminder that we will continue to communicate with you often and in a range of ways over the term. On our school website you can access all of our school wide information including our school calendar which is updated regularly. If you need to know what dates things are happening, jump on here. We keep our school Facebook page updated with student learning, fun activities, event reminders and of course our weekly PDS TV Episodes. You will also be receiving plenty of Seesaw posts about your child's learning and achievement. This is how we report to you so please make sure you are looking at this and feel free to leave comments and/or chat to the classroom teacher about these posts at any time.

## Term Two Teacher Only Days

### TALL Programme

Next term there are three Teacher Only Days. These are for an important professional development programme that all teachers at school are engaging in. They are focused on effective teaching and learning strategies to better support our students learning. The three dates are:

- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> of May – Teacher Only Day
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of June – Teacher Only Day
- Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> of June - Teacher Only Day

### PB4L Update

What a great start to the term we have had. Every week our students practice showing our PB4L values in different school settings. This week we focused on showing our school values when returning to class after break times.

It was so good to see the students heading back to class quickly and ready to learn. The students were also quick to respond when returning to class from sport and Road Safety sessions.

Tino pai akonga - keep it up!

### School Lunches

Our school lunches programme is continuing to run well. Please remember to update or let us know of any dietary requirements ahead of time so we can ensure these are catered too. We need 48 hours minimum to be able to change the orders if needed.

### Homework Club

Homework club is back up and running with our FMA volunteers coming in to support our students alongside the teacher in charge each week. If you would like your child to attend homework club and have not received or returned a permission slip, then let us know and we will send one home with your child or you can pick one up from the office at any time. Homework club happens on a Thursday afternoon from 3.00pm to 3.45/4.00pm.

### After School Care

This continues as normal. It starts at 2:40pm with the last possible pick-up time at 5:30pm. Please phone our school office for the charge rate or more information.

### ASB Banking

If you would like a bank account opened for your child, please see the office for an ASB Bank account application form. Banking is done every Friday at school.

### Parent Helpers

**Can you help coach some of our sports teams?** Please let the office staff know. If you're available to read to, coach and transport our students, help out in our school library or book room, we'd love to hear from you.

### Upcoming School Events

#### **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> of May – Teacher Only Day (TALL PD)**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> of May – Buddhist Temple Visit, whole school trip

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> of May – Tamaki Boys Football Tournament

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of May – Pink Shirt Day

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> of May – Eastern Boys Rugby Tournament

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> of May – Have a go Sailing day

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> of May to Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> of June – Samoan Language Week

#### **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of June – Teacher Only Day (TALL PD)**

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> of June – Samoan Language Celebration Assembly and Cultural Dress Day.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> of June – Tamaki Volleyball Tournament

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> of June to Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of June – Diversity Week

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> of June (6.30pm) – Hui / Fono & Student Social

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> of June – Cultural Dress Up Day

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Eastern Zone Hockey Tournament

#### **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> of June - Teacher Only Day (TALL PD)**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of July – House Arts Celebration / Competition (11.00am)

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of July – School Open Day and Last Day of Term

Please keep an eye on our digital board for information regarding school events as well as our school calendar on our website and our school Facebook page.

Change of address or phone numbers? Please phone the Office on (09) 5277659



*Some photos of Olympic themed learning happening in Maungarei this week*