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School**
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**Tena koutou! Malo e Lelei! Fakalofa Lahi Atu! Talofa lava! Kia orana!
Namaste! Kamusta! Rojbas! Hola! Salam Alaikum! Hai!**

Term 3 - 10th August 2023 - Newsletter 12

Welcome to this week's newsletter. Welcome to our new students and families, we hope you enjoy your time at our school.

Matariki -Kaitiaki Day

Our Matariki-Kaitiaki Day was a great day of whanau connection, whanau planting and togetherness. The warm weather was an added bonus. This year teachers were keen to approach Matariki with a focus on bringing whanau together. Both hapori, Onewa and Rangitoto, looked at different aspects of Matariki, producing some great artwork and project-based learning.

We worked with community environment groups during our Matariki learning. Matua Lofty Ned and the team from Kainga Ora worked with senior students earlier in the term with Matariki Lantern Making. On our Matariki-Kaitiaki day, Kaipatiki Northcote Community Activator, Robyn Forran and the team, sponsored the plants for planting and Phillipa-Rose and Rata from the Auckland City Council educated us about keeping our environments clean. A big thank you to these groups for supporting our day.

It was great to see everyone enjoying our special Kai Cooker/Hangi style meal for lunch. It was a big team effort with students peeling the vegetables for the event, sponsors for food, and teachers, staff and parents helping in various ways to make the day a success.

Thank you to our sponsors who kindly donated food for the event; Simply Fresh Hillcrest, Bakers Delight - Pinehill, Chicken donated by a former student of Onepoto School, Mrs Webster, Ms Konia and the Latoa-Levi Family. The cooking team; Whaea Diane, Whaea Annitta, Mr Cleal – our kai Cooker guru, Ms Taniora and Jackie Honana and Whanau.

We look forward to next year's event and would love to see more parents involved. Check out our photos of the day in this week's newsletter!

Nga mihi nui,

Mrs Latoa-Levi

Whanau Meeting – “Talk it out Tuesday”.

next **Tuesday 15th August 6pm in the school staffroom**

Following on from our first *Hopes and Dreams Meeting* last term, your chance to come along meet others and be part of our school conversation; future goals, future events and your child's learning journey. Lite refreshments served. All welcome!

BREAKFAST CLUB 8:15am to 8:40am everyday! If you've missed breakfast remember you can always have breakfast in your studio kitchen!



WATER & DRINK BOTTLES - Bring a water bottle every day, to stay hydrated. Students can refill their bottles throughout the day. **Bring your drink bottles!**

NEW ENROLMENTS

If you have pre-school children who will turn 5 years old at any time or wanting to enrol older children, please contact our Office Manager Ms Konia at the Office for an Enrolment Pack. This helps us to plan for staffing and classes. (09) 480-7469



HE MIHI TINO MAHANA KI O MAATAU AKONGA HOU!!!!

A very warm welcome to our new students that have started this term:

Andre Tawhai-Slade Leef; Alex & Hannah Lijo; TJ Nasilasila; Angeline Abin; Paikea Kururangi-Tapp; Ottilie Allen.

Absences or Messages Line- ph. - 022 5193610 - Please call or text if your child is absent from school. Alternatively, you can still call the school office on 09 480-7469.

Dates for your Diary:

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| Monday 7 th – 10 th Aug | BOOK WEEK! |
| Tomorrow Friday 10 th August | Book Week Character Parade tomorrow 10:15am in the hall |
| Tuesday 15 th August | <i>OS Whanau Meeting – ‘Talk it out Tuesday’</i> |
| Wednesday 16 th August | Mobile Library PWC visiting Rangitoto Hapori |
| Friday 25 th August | Daffodil Day |
| Monday 28 th August | Board Meeting 5pm Staffroom – All welcome |
| Monday 4 th September | Teacher Only Day |
| Monday 4 th - 8 th September | Tongan Language Week! |
| Monday 11 th – 15 th September | Te Wiki o te Reo Maori Maori Language Week |
| Friday 22 nd September | Last day of term 3 |

MATARIKI CELEBRATION

The stars aligned for our kura last Thursday as we celebrated Matariki. The sun shone brightly, there was an air of excitement as our tamariki got stuck in with a range of amazing activities, finishing with a hearty meal at the end with their whanau!!!!!! Thank you to all that contributed to such a beautiful day!!



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