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Tena Koutou! Hello! Malo e Lelei! Fakalofa Lahi Atu! Taloha Ni! Talofa Lava! Kia orana! Namaste! Kamusta! Rojbas! Salam Alaikum!

Term 1 - Thursday 8th February 2024 - Newsletter # 1 Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou- katoa! Warm greetings to you all! Welcome to the new school year!



It is my pleasure to welcome you back to school and also to send a special greeting to the new families who have joined our Onepoto School community this year. I hope that you have been able to enjoy the summer break with your children and have found some time to relax together with whānau and friends. Currently

our principal, Mrs Latoa-Levi is on compassionate leave and we are looking forward to having her back with us shortly.

With all of our learning spaces open for teaching for the first time in our new school, it has been wonderful to see and hear our students settling into their classes. Our Onepoto school staff are very excited to be back at school and are already getting to know your children. We began the year with a 'Meet the teacher' for our Year 1 and 2 students and 'Goal Setting Interviews' for our students in Year 3, 4, 5, and 6. It was a lovely way for teachers to begin the term, getting to know the children in their learning spaces, with their families, and together setting goals to begin the year. If you were unable to attend, your child's teacher will soon be getting in touch with you.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or want to find out more about their learning and wellbeing at school. Teachers are available to talk with you before and after school most days. We value your knowledge and want you to be involved in our school community. Continuing to build learning partnerships between parents, whānau, caregivers and teachers is vital for each child's ongoing learning and success. We look forward to working alongside your child/ren and you throughout the year.

Kristen Webster

Associate Principal

DATES FOR YOUR 2024 DIARY:

We have many exciting events organised for this year. Our school website and facebook page are the best places to keep up to date with school events and messages. So please keep a look out for these events.

TERM DATES 2024:

Term 1: 31st January - 12th April

Term 2: 29th April - 5th July

Term 3: 22nd July - 27th September

Term 4: 14th October - 18th December

Term 1 Event Dates:

More information will come out to you about each of these events closer to the time.

DATE:	EVENT:
26th February	Year 5/6: Learning Basic First Aid with Hato Hone - St Johns
26 th February	BOT Meeting 5pm board meeting room – all welcome
29th February	Year 5/6: Cycle Skills - you don't need to own or know how to ride a bike to participate in this day
4th - 8th March	EOTC week: Education Outside the Classroom - Please look out for more information and specific dates for activities planned for each class coming out soon to you.
22nd March	Onepoto School International Day - A time for our school community to come and join together.
29th March	Good Friday - No school today
1st / 2nd March	Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday - no school
12th April	Last Day of Term 1

Our Onepoto School Staff, 2024:

Leadership Team:

Principal - Daniella Latoa-Levi

Associate Principals - Kristen Webster and Rachael Findlay-Clarke

Learning Spaces:

Hapori Onewa - Year 1 - Diane Simona

Hapori Awataha - Year 2 - Rachael Findlay-Clarke

Hapori Pupuke - Year 3 - Rangimarie Nilsen-Pen

- Year 4 - Sandra Collings

Hapori Rangitoto - Year 5/6 - Maya Latoalevi- Nosa

Release Teachers:

Hapori Onewa and Hapori Rangitoto - Clare Verry

Hapori Awataha and Hapori Pukeko - Kristen Webster

Learning Assistants:

Learning Assistant - Hapori Onewa and Hapori Awataha - Sala Alona

Learning Assistant - Hapori Awataha and Hapori Pupuke - Annitta Cleal

Learning Assistant - Hapori Pupuke - Marlene Cassidy

School Librarian and Learning Assistant - Hapori Rangitoto - Stephanie Taniora

Office Manager: Office Manager - Maria Konia

REMINDERS:

SCHOOL ABSENCES:

If your child needs to stay home from school, please let us know about any absences by:

calling 09 480 7469 or by text: 022 519 3610 or by email: office@onepoto.school.nz.

Please include your:

- Child's name,
- Reason for your child's absence
- How long they will be away if you know this.



HATS: Term 1:

Hats must be worn outdoors during Term 1. Students without a hat will stay in the shade. Please name the hats.

SUNBLOCK:

We do have sunblock available for the students to use at school and encourage the students to remember to use it before they go outside.



NAMING OF CLOTHING and SHOES:

Please name items of clothing that your child brings to school with either their name and or surname. It helps us to get a misplaced item of clothing back to your child.

Sometimes children have the same shoes and clothing items and when there is no name on them it can be confusing as to who owns the item.

WATER AND DRINK BOTTLES:

Please bring a named water bottle each day. The drink bottles can be refilled during the day at school. We do have outdoor water fountains for students to also use.

