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Tena koutou! Malo e Lelei! Fakalofa Lahi Atu! Talofa lava! Kia orana! Bula Vinaka! Namaste! Kumusta! Rojbas! Hola! Salam Alaikum! Hai! Xin chào! Ayubowan!

Term 1 – 21st March 2024 – Newsletter 4

It is hard to believe that we are already nearly at the end of Week 8 of Term 1.

Term 1 has indeed been busy. A term where teachers have got to know more about the students in their hapori, and routines have been established, with initial assessments completed. Writing, Reading, and Maths are being taught for at least an hour each day alongside all other areas of the New Zealand Curriculum. Our first discovery inquiry for 2024 was Ko Wai Tatou – Who are we? Students have been finding out more about themselves and their whānau. Our new inquiry is Looking After Ourselves and focuses on health and safety. This week, students have been learning how to cross a road safely with our Police Education Officer, Constable Murray Fenton.

During our EOTC weeks, each hapori was taught some basic first aid by educators from Hato Hone - St. John's. This included learning about how to call 111 in an emergency and how to put someone in the recovery position. It would be lovely if you could help your child learn the address of where they live, just in case they need to know for any reason.



Another focus was on riding their bikes and scooters safely. If your child does ride or scooter to and /or from school, they are encouraged to not only wear a helmet but also to wear a yellow, fluorescent vest so they can be seen more easily. Fluro vests have been donated by 'Travelwise' at Auckland Council. They are available from the school office for students who ride to and from school.



Caught Being Good Assembly

Last Friday was our 'Caught Being Good Assembly.' It was wonderful to be able to see so many students receive certificates from their teachers. Mrs Latoa-Levi has reintroduced two more awards for each assembly this year. These awards are the Mana Award and the Manaakitanga Award. These are for students who show outstanding leadership and respect at school.

'Duffy Caught Being Good' certificates were also given out. If your child is a recipient of this award, they will also get a book to keep from 'Duffy Books'. This award can be given by any teacher to any student throughout the school.

It was wonderful to receive an email last week informing us that the company Mainfreight FTL Auckland is our Duffy Books in Homes sponsor. We are extremely grateful and appreciative of their support. We are looking forward to working alongside them and inviting representatives to our school assemblies. Thank you Mainfreight FTL Auckland.

At the end of next week, we have our Easter Holiday break with school closed from Friday 29th March with school reopening on Wednesday 3rd April. We hope that you can all find some time to relax with your family and friends during this time.

'SAVE THE DATE' - <u>TUESDAY 9th APRIL</u> FOR OUR ONEPOTO SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL DAY

We would like to invite you all to come to our Onepoto School International Day.

It is a day in which children are encouraged to come to school dressed in their cultural attire. School begins at the usual time of 8:45am with the children getting ready to head down to an assembly which will begin promptly at 9.30am. After morning tea there will be activities for you all to do back in the learning studios with the children.

Each teacher will send home more information to you about what their classes are doing on the day. Please look out for this in your child's bag. We hope you can come on the day.

OS CULTURAL FESTIVAL 2024 – OUR NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

A huge thank you to everyone who came to our first OS Cultural Festival Meeting for this year. It was great to hear the thoughts and ideas of everyone in the meeting as to how the cultural festival could be organised this year. Our next meeting is on <u>Wednesday 3rd April at 6 pm</u> in the staffroom. Please come along and help us prepare for this year's festival in Term 4.



THE WEATHER IS TURNING COLDER AND THOSE ANNOYING COUGHS AND RUNNY NOSES ARE BACK!!

While we definitely want to see all our wonderful students at school each day, if your child has a cough and or runny nose or generally seems unwell, we encourage you to keep them at home. This helps to keep the bugs from being spread to others in which will save Mrs Konia's precious time. If your child is absent from school, please call or txt the school office.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Date:	Event:
Wednesday 27 th March	Hapori Onewa working with Kaipatiki Team
Friday 29 th March	Good Friday – School is closed
Monday 1st & Tuesday 2 nd April	Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday – School is closed
Wednesday 3 rd April	Cultural Festival Meeting – 6pm School Staffroom
Tuesday 9th April Changed to this date!	Onepoto School International Day! A time for our school community to celebrate our cultures together!
Wednesday 10 th April	Kaipatiki Team working with Hapori Pupuke
Friday 12 th April	Last Day of Term 1

Take a look at some of the learning and activities that our students have been doing this term.

Throughout the year ahead, we will be putting student's work into our newsletter. Please enjoy reading the following pieces of work from some of the students in Hapori Pupuke Year 3.





My favourite was the chicken because when you fed them they would let you pat them. My most favourite thing was the horse and sheep. The sheep had nice fluffy wool and I liked the horse because the man fed the horse and we got to pat him. - *Kaia*

My favourite animal was the sheep because I got to feed it and touch the fluffy wool. My favourite thing was seeing the pig and the horse. I liked patting the chickens too. - **Asa**

My favourite animals were the goats because they kept on following us and I got to touch the brown one. I enjoyed seeing the bull. - **De'Vante**

My favourite animal is a chicken because they felt tickly. I enjoyed feeding the sheep too.

- Peter

My favourite animal was the peacock. I like the colourfulness and I like it when they show all their feathers. I enjoyed looking at the peacock from the bus.

- Ramika

My favourite animal was the goat because they felt soft. I liked looking at the volcano.

- Elijah

My favourite animal is the big horse. I liked feeling his soft hair and when the farmer was shaking his bucket of food the horse came to us. - *Lorittah*

EOTC SHOTS OF THE WEEK!!!

















