

Kia ora, Malo e le lei, Talofa, Ni hao, Namaste, Bula, Kia orana, Mauri, Greetings.

Thank you to the many parents, caregivers and family members who were able to collect children early last Monday.

Your assistance is appreciated and the majority of our teaching staff were able to attend their afternoon meeting at the Vodafone Events Centre.

At this stage teacher meetings are being held across the whole country. At these meetings teachers are voting whether to accept the Government's employment contract offer or to refuse the offer and instigate strike action. The voting result will be known in about two weeks.

While this is unsettling for schools there is no doubt that we have a national teacher shortage and the need is for a contract settlement that will encourage people to become teachers.

Thank you for your understanding and support. I will continue to keep you informed.

EXCITING EVENTS

To celebrate Matariki we are having a school hangi on Friday, 29 June. You will be aware of letters coming home about this.

This will be a unique time of sharing and celebration for all our school people and I thank our staff team for putting this project together for us.

You will also be aware of our new Adidas Fun Run fundraiser. This is another opportunity for all our students to share a common event and support their school.

Please remember that it is not the amount of money raised that is important but the enjoyment of participating with classmates in a special event.

Our annual junior school folk dance event is planned for next Thursday, 28 June at 11am. You are all invited to what is one of our highlights of the year. Bring your dancing shoes.

EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

Well done to our girls' rugby team who finished third at the interschool tournament last Tuesday.

Our Whanau performance group also did us proud with excellent performances at two early childhood centres recently.

Our school Mathex team competed two weeks ago and finished a very close fourth among all Manurewa schools. Well done to everyone.

2019 TERM DATES

Our Board of Trustees have confirmed term dates for next year as follows.

Term 1	Wednesday 30 January	-	Friday 12 April
Term 2	Monday 29 April	-	Friday 5 July
Term 3	Monday 22 July	-	Friday 27 September
Term 4	Monday 14 October	-	Friday 13 December

Laurie Thew
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE	JULY
28 Junior School folk dancing display 11am	4 Year 1 students to Pumphouse Theatre
29 School hangi day	6 Term 2 finishes at 3pm
29 Students files of work home (Years 3—6)	23 Term 3 begins at 9am.
	27 Student reports home
AUGUST	27 Next school newsletter
6 Board of Trustees meeting 6pm	
9 Parent teacher interviews 3.30pm to 8.30pm to discuss reports. More information in week one term 3.	
Term 3 ends on Friday, 28 September	

Welcome

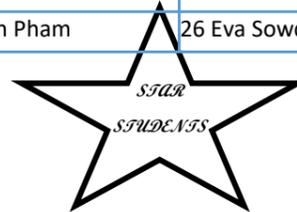
To pupils who have joined us recently

Ronak Raj and Harleen Kaur Dhesei

Happy Birthday

To people who have a special day about now.

JUNE		
23 Preceyis Samupo	24 Lanita Toomata	24 Aporosa Viria
24 Daniel Hooper	25 Navroop Sangha	26 Kenneth Zhu
26 Ekaaksh Wahi	26 Wiremu Connelly	27 Dilveer Cheema
28 Sapphire Maaka	28 Matthew Lala	29 Lucian Maynard
30 Stephanie Solomona	30 Navneet Kour	30 Anshleen Kaur
JULY		
1 Angelina Sheemar	1 Shaan Skinner	2 Saluhi Al Sheikh
3 Arham Sandhu	3 Lincoln Faeteete	4 Faofua Faalafi
4 Ekamjot Sidhu	5 Jade Tewhiu	6 Eliza Paul
8 Rajveer Kaur	8 Daniel Martin	8 Giselle Toilolo
11 Jihad Khalaf	12 Jay-Lynn Whatarangi-Shelford	
13 Ashton Woodhouse	13 Prateeti Ganguly	14 William Shaw
15 Nicole Mahongchai	16 Darcey Lauano	17 Trinity-Reine Spence
17 Liana Fransham	19 Raymond Ma	19 Maea Linaker
19 Maringinoa Christensen	20 Lealofi Alesana	
20 Tanna Coulson- Absolum	21 Fane Moala	
23 Arush Garg	23 Zyus Uatisone	24 Maxwell Tonga
24 Kayden Hoverd	24 Hana Kapea-Matthews	
25 Addison Baker	25 Anshika Chand	26 Navam Sharma
26 Sarah Pham	26 Eva Sowden	



The following students have been recognised by their class teachers for showing diligence and achievement in all aspects of their school and classwork.

R1 Jay Sohal	R2 Amanatjot Virk	R3 Angelina Odicho
R4 Mui Sua	R5 Maxwell Bain	R6 Elisha Prasad
R7 Ahbideep Singh	R8 Izaan Khan	R9 Tanishka Sharma
R10 David Emmanuel	R11 Leaia Faalafi	R12 Ekamjot Singh
R13 Akash Singh	R14 Ataahua-Waaka Iraia	R15 Liam Leslie
R16 Shivyesh Chand	R17 Eugene McIndoe	R18 Anastacia McQuoid
R19 Taylor Baker	R20 Aaryan Kumar	R21 Gurekam Sandhu
R23 Sukhman Kaur	R24 Louie Blair	

Community Notices

Message from NZ Police

We are committed to ensure New Zealand children and young people are able to live and learn free from harm. With this in mind Police have identified that this time of year shows an increase in suspicious activity around schools in relation to students being approached by people not known to them. This message is designed to provide simple safety advice to children, young people, schools and communities with regard to the risks associated with children being approached by people they don't know who offer lifts or invite them towards a vehicle.

Police advise students to walk to school in groups whenever possible and avoid routes that are out of sight from the general public. Police strongly support schools operating walking school buses and it is recommended to utilise these facilities whenever possible. However, if approached by someone they don't know children should be advised the following. Decline any invitation and move away from the person and vehicle immediately. If possible they should seek out other students/ known people and if safe, take a note of what the person looks like, a description of the vehicle and the registration number.

Once at their destination children should be encouraged to report the incident immediately to a teacher or parent and write down what they saw and heard whilst fresh in their memory. Also if a vigilant teacher or parent notices someone acting suspiciously around students they should take note of the person and vehicle description and any identifying features. School staff and parents are advised to contact Police on 111 straight away and provide whatever information they can on this type of behaviour no matter how vague. Police can act on this and possibly identify patterns and trends based on the smallest amount of information.

Room News

ROOM 2

Last week we read the big book Smarty Pants by Joy Cowley. All the students have designed their own smarty pants. Come and see all the lovely faces and artwork on display.

ROOM 4

We are hard at work learning folk dances. People perform folk dances to share their cultures. We are going to be doing a dance from England and another one from Hungary. We will be performing the dances with Room 24. Please come along on Thursday, 28 June to watch us—you will be very pleased you did.

ROOM 6

Ki ora from Room 6! We have been learning to write a recount about our favourite story using interesting and exciting WOW words and reading about the adventures of Dan the Flying Man. During maths we have been learning to use mathematical talk to help us problem solve a number story. It has also been a really interesting and challenging experience learning about gravity and how we can control how things fall.

ROOM 8

We've been rehearsing with Room 7 every Monday and Tuesday in preparation for our Folk Dancing performance in week 9. It was challenging at first for a number of us to listen and dance to the music, as it cues when to carry out particular moves. However, we've improved after our weeks of practice and we're all eager and excited to show our parents and whanau our two dances next week.

ROOM 10 - Similes

The sun is like a sparkle in my eye or a sunflower blooming brightly against the blue sky. The sun is like a round hot pancake dripping golden syrup on to the earth. *Rajveer*

My Nana is like a star sent from heaven to light up my world because she always brightens my day. Nana is like a tour guide who is steering me through my life and teaching me lessons. Nana is like a clear sparkling diamond because she is pure-hearted, full of love for her family. *Tavita*

ROOM 12

We have celebrated Matariki with a shared kai. We baked traditional maori potato bread called Rewana. We also designed koru and acted out the myth of Tamarereti. *Giselle and Darcy*

ROOM 14

This term we have unpacked the idea of "PIONEERS ARE MOTIVATED BY A NEED OR CURIOSITY TO EXPLORE UNFAMILIAR REGIONS AND NEW IDEAS". We have learned about how space is being explored and the different parts of our solar system. WE have also continued to focus on coding and robotics.

ROOM 16

Over the past few weeks we have been learning a lot about Matariki. We made ninja stars out of paper. Our reading books this week have been all about Maori culture such as Maori myths, using ranga which is Maori medicine and playing Maori games.

ROOM 18

We have been working really hard on our inquiry learning and have been doing lots of new learning about space. Did you know that the temperature on the moon is very extreme and astronauts' space suits help them to keep a comfortable temperature?

ROOM 20

Tena koutou everyone. We have really enjoyed learning about technology in Space. We discovered that some items created for astronauts to use were modified and are used by us. Did you know Velcro was created for astronauts? It was attached under their footwear, with weights, so they could walk on the floor of the International Space Station. Zips were also made for their space suits. These are amazing inventions which we use daily. Can you think of any more?

ROOM 24

We have loved learning new folk dances and are excited about performing them to our families. Matariki is a very special time for us and we are sharing our special talents with our classmates. We have been talking about the good things from the past year and our hopes for the year to come.



Helen O'Grady Children's Drama Academy

Classes for students aged 5 to 17 years, in your area. We are aimed at developing ongoing confidence, self-esteem and skills in verbal communication. Our programme is exciting, motivational and great fun. Enrolling now for Term 3; phone Debbie Napier, on 836 0233 for further details.

Counties Manukau Maori Rugby League.

2018 Muster for Under 10s and Under 11s is on Sunday 1 July from 10am to 12.30pm at Randwick Park, Riverton Drive Manurewa. Email Soyra on cmmrjuniors@gmail.com or phone 021 2584408.