Papakura Intermediate Newsletter

TERM 1, 26 FEB 24 #2



~ Kia ora ~Greetings ~ Talofa lava ~ Malo e lelei ~ Kia orana ~ Fakaalofa lahi atu ~ Talofa ni ~ Ni sa bula vinaka ~ As-salāmu ʿalaykum ~ Namaste ~ Kamusta

Over the last three weeks we continue to welcome new students to our P.I. Whānau and our classes are now at capacity. Last week we launched our Term 1 Inquiry - Ko au ko P.I., Ko P.i. ko au. Students were treated to a gallery style showcase of stories written by our staff highlighting how P.I. has become their HOME. This term our students will be inquiring into the people and the places that give them a sense of belonging at P.I..

2024 Study Clubs

All study clubs will be starting next week Monday 4 March. If your child has expressed interest in joining one of our study clubs, expect a consent letter to come home for you to sign. All students need to have signed consent to attend as all study clubs operate outside of normal school hours. See the study club timetable below.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8 - 8:40am		Cook Island Group	English & Maths	Calligraphy
3 - 4pm		Sports & Fitness	Art	
3 - 4:30pm	MATES		Band	

2024 Student Leadership

We are very close to hearing speeches from our student Whānau Leader candidates. There will be 4 students elected from Mansell and 4 students elected from Kaino. The successful candidates will work alongside our Head Leaders this year and attend the GRIP Leadership Conference on Thursday 14 March at the Due Drop Centre in Manukau.

Uniform & Mobile Phones

We are still needing your support to ensure our students are coming to school with the correct uniform, black shoes in particular. Slides and/or crocs are not suitable footwear.

There are a number of students coming to school with phones and not handing them in at the office. If your child needs to carry a mobile phone to school this needs to be handed in at the office or to their teacher - no exceptions.

Breakfast Club & Lunches

Our school breakfast club operates from Monday to Friday 8 - 8:40am in Food Tech (Meredith 1). All students and staff are welcome to stop by for kai and a korero in the mornings.

Our school is also a part of the Ka ora Ka ako lunch programme where all students are provided with a free lunch everyday. We are very fortunate to have our school lunches made onsite by the Painga Project and all the kai that is grown in our school maara is incorporated into our school lunches.

School Timetable

At P.I. our day is made up of three 100 minute blocks. All classes have 1 Tech, Sports and Team Whānaungatanga block each week.

8:30am - Classes are open and teachers are available
8:50am - School starts. Block 1 learning
10:30 - 11am - Morning Tea
11 - 11:10 - Kai in classes
11:10 - 12:50 - Block 2 learning
12:50 - 1:20 - Lunchtime
1:20 - 1:30 - Kai in classes
1:30 - 3pm - Block 3 learning

2024 School Camp Details

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2024 School Camp

School camp is an important part of school and our NZ Curriculum where all learners have the opportunity to be involved in education activities outside of the classroom. This is an exciting opportunity for all our students to participate in a number of different activities, so we would love to see every single one of our students attend. This year we will be going to the Christian Youth Camp in Ngaruawahia. The school will be split and we will have two camps:

- CAMP 1: Monday 27 June Wednesday 29 June (Kaino Whānau)
- CAMP 2: Wednesday 29 June Friday 31 June (Mansell Whānau)

The Board of Trustees want to ensure that every student attends, so has chosen to subsidise the camp for each student - each student is invited to pay **a koha of up to \$50 towards the cost of their camp**.

This covers 3 days of full, interactive camp activities, 2 nights accommodation, the cost of all food, transport to and from Christian Youth Camp as well as other expenses. You are welcome to pay the whole amount at once or in instalments, for example, \$15 a week. You can pay face to face, or get our account details from the office or send money to the office in an envelope with your child's name and team on it.

Here are the confirmed times and deadlines to ensure we are all ready for camp:

- Friday 5 April Medical / Participation form
- Wednesday 10 April- 5:00pm camp meeting for whānau who want more information
- Friday 12 April \$10 deposit DUE
- Monday 6 May \$50 full koha DUE

We will be holding a **Camp Information Meeting on Wednesday 10 April (T1W11) and Wednesday 1 May (T2W1)** in the school library. If you have any questions or concerns we will be more than happy to answer them during this time.

Each child needs to have a **Medical / Participation form completed and handed in by Friday 5 April**. This form is also the consent form, giving permission for your child to attend the camp. It is important for these to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible so we have time to collate the information and confirm numbers. If your child is not coming to camp then fill in the back page only. A gear list and other information will be sent home once your child's forms and deposit form have been returned.

If you are interested in coming along to camp as a parent helper, please indicate this on your child's consent form and someone will be in touch to get the police vetting process underway.

Important Dates for your calendar

Tuesday 12 March - Gardasil Dose 1 Vaccinations Thursday 14 March - GRIP Leadership Conference for Whānau & Head Leaders. BoT Meeting 5:30pm Friday 29 March - Good Friday (school is closed) Monday 1 April - Easter Monday (school is closed) Tuesday 2 April - Easter Tuesday (school is closed) Friday 5 April - Camp consents due

Ngā mihi, Ms King (Acting Principal)