

Tena Koutou Katoa, Talofa Lava, Greetings to you all,

As I am writing this my last newsletter as Principal of Papakura Normal School I still find it difficult to believe that next week I will not be here and someone else will have all the joys and challenges that go with this role.

I do want to thank, you the parents, for being part of the Papakura Normal School community and for taking time in your busy lives to support the school and your children. We could not do all the extra things we do without your help in so many areas.

Papakura Normal School will always be close to my heart and I will continue to support and follow the progress of the students, I am so proud of, in the future.

I hope some of you will be able to attend the Powhiri to welcome the new principal, Derek Linington on Monday the 15th May at 9.30am. This will be the beginning of an exciting new chapter in the life of Papakura Normal School.

Kiwi Quiz

Our winner for last weeks Kiwi Quiz was Aurelia from Room 22. Match the last name for these New Zealanders? The answers were: Peter Snell, Dame Kiri Te Kanawa, Willie Apiata and Edmund Hillary. Well done!

Student of the Week

Our student of the week is Ava Maaka from room 27. It has been so nice seeing Ava developing the ability to listen carefully and follow instructions. Ava has been working very hard in her reading this year and has made some pleasing progress. We love hearing Ava's stories and appreciate her wonderful imagination! Keep it up Ava, Room 27 is lucky to have you!



Rainbows End Term 1 Recipients

The Rainbows End winners of the awards for upholding school values during term 1 are: for the Year 1 group - Lebrone Chan Walker, Year 2 – Maddisyn Doland, Year 3 and 4 – Nikhil Ram Year 5 and 6 - Steven Phan and Year 7 and 8 – Boston Mako. Congratulations to them all!

Year 5 and 6 EOTC

The year 5 and 6 EOTC held recently was a huge success, thanks to the year 5 and 6 team for all their hard work in planning and organising this event for the students. Students had a fantastic 3 days filled with lots of challenges, teamwork and fun. They did well with doing their best, showing respect, making the most of all their experiences and working with children from different classes. Well done! The photos in this weeks newsletter are of some of the action during the week.

Focus on Science

This term classes will have a focus on science, staff have been engaged in some exciting professional development around science this week. Students will be involved in hands on investigations and experiments over the coming weeks.



POWHIRI For Our New Principal Derek Linington.

We will be having a Powhiri for our new principal, Derek Linington on Monday 15th May at 9.30 a.m. in the school hall. Our school community is warmly invited to attend. PLEASE JOIN US!

Green Token PB4L

Congratulations to Room 6 who won the Pizza Party for collecting the most Green Tokens. Thanks for being tidy kiwis and collecting all the rubbish. Well done Room 6!

Gold Token Rewards

Gold Tokens are given to students for showing respect for self, others and property. When a student reaches a reward milestone they cash in their ticket on Thursday and Friday for their chosen reward.

Reading Together

Reading Together for this term will commence on Wednesday 31st May, 3.15 pm in the staffroom. This will run each week on Wednesday for a period of 3 weeks in total. We look forward to seeing parents come along and participate in the learning of Reading with your children.

Winning House Cup Term 1

Congratulations to Kauri House who won the House Cup for Term 1.

**Go Well.
Noho ora mai.
Judy.**

Kiwi Quizz

What is the name of our new Principal?

A. Derek Linington B. Derek Hetaraka C. Derek Morgan

Name: Room:

Important Dates

15th May - Powhiri for our new Principal
31st May - Reading Together