

**Kia ora koutou katoa whānau / Greetings families,**

Māori Language Week is celebrated every year in NZ; there are many other language weeks as well for example, Samoan, Hindi, Tongan, Niuean, Cook Island Māori, etc. The difference between te reo Māori, English and NZ Sign Language is that these three are the official languages of Aotearoa/New Zealand.

So you will not be surprised at my pleasure when Constable Cory Lowe – Kaitakawaenga Iwi Liaison Officer from Counties Manukau Police Maori Pacific and Ethnic Services brought the newly branded **Pirihimana** car to Papakura Normal School on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept. '17. Our tamariki were so excited to see the car. The fact that the visit was one week after te wiki o te reo Māori (Māori Language Week) helps to emphasize that every week should be Māori Language Week. The visit also helped to continue the positive and collaborative relationship between tamariki and the **Pirihimana**.

Room 19, in particular, had a good laugh watching Miss.Kay trying out a new set of "bangles" albeit only for a few minutes.

Derek Linington  
Principal

**Ākonga/Learner of the Week**

Our student of the week is Sebastian Hemopo from Room 4. Sebastian is always doing his best with a smiling face. Sebastian is a great role model to other students. You make Room 4 a happy place. Congratulations Sebastian!



# Welcome

## NEW TEACHERS

Two new teachers join our staff at the start of Term 4 and we welcome them to our kura/school.

Mrs P Goundar joins us  
from New Windsor School.  
Mrs Goundar will begin  
teaching in Room 11.

Ms J Turu joins us from Te  
Matauranga School.  
Ms Turu will begin teaching  
in Room 3.

**Kiwi Quiz**

Our winner for last week's Kiwi Quiz was Cruise Douglas from Rm 17. How many sides does a triangle have? The answer is A.3. Congratulations Cruise!

**IMPORTANT**

Dear ngā mātua / parents,

Please complete and  
return the survey.

**Gold Token Rewards**

Gold Tokens are given to ākonga/learners or students for showing respect for self, others and property. When an ākonga/learner reaches a reward milestone, she or he swaps his/her ticket on a Thursday or Friday for their chosen reward.

**70 Gold Tokens**

Room 9 Ethan Sanford  
Room 16 Siriboto Rokodi

**Sore Throats - Rheumatic Fever - Heart Damage**

A sore throat can lead to rheumatic fever if it's left untreated. Rheumatic fever is very serious and can cause heart damage. Don't ignore, take them to a doctor or nurse straight away to get it checked. Call **HEALTHLINE on 0800611 116** to find out more.

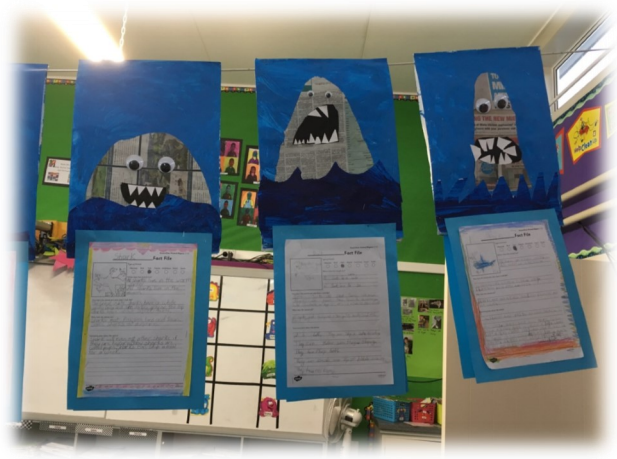
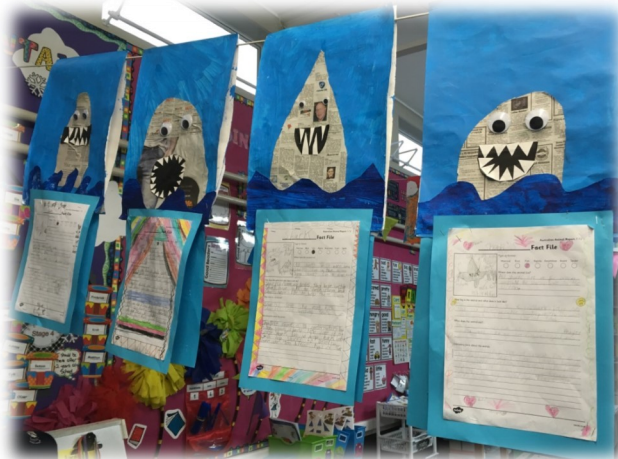
**IMPORTANT DATES**

29th September - End of Term 3  
16th October - Term 4 Starts

## Fantastic Work in Room 18

Tamariki/Children in Room 18 have been gathering information about sharks during Miss. Doyle's reading programme. This information was then used to complete graphic organisers which helped the tamariki/children to write **Information Reports**.

This is a great example of how we integrate reading, writing and visual art to produce wonderful work. The photographs show their accomplishments. Well Done Room 18!



### **Junior Poetry Competition** **Years 0, 1, 2 and 3**

Congratulations to our below tamariki/learners who won places in our Junior Poetry Competition.

#### **Year 0**

**1st** - Logan Mackey R20

**2nd equal** - Jake Te Kawa R24 and Jack Brown R20

**Highly Commended** - Zion Siologa R24 and Jennifer Lister R24.

#### **Year 1**

**1st** - Annie Yu R20

**2nd equal** - Addison Pham Phommasa R15 and Twilight Tereora R22

**Highly Commended** - Pauline Terite R14, Jade Millar R20 and Aurelia Stevens Togo R22.

#### **Year 2**

**1st** - Amelia Samuels R16

**2nd** - RJ Bassett R16

**3rd equal** - Issy Sanford and Kobe Luteru R19

**Highly Commended** - Tanvi Ram R17 and Seleni Malolo R19.

#### **Year 3**

**1st** - Annalia Blundell R18

**2nd** - Sia McCarthy R18

**3rd equal** - Chelsea Wang and Aysha McLaughlin R18

**Highly Commended** - Jamal Krone R18.



To all our ākonga/learners, their whānau/ families and our staff, have a relaxing rest over the school holidays.

It is my dream, hope, wish, desire,  
that all tamariki/ children keep up  
with their reading during the holi-  
days.



Keep safe.

### **Year 8 Graduation Dinner**

Our Year 8 Graduation Dinner is being held on Monday 11th December. We will be giving more information on this in the newsletters next term, but would like families to please put this date on your calendars.