



Patricia Avenue School Newsletter

Learning for Living

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Diarise these term 4 dates Week 3 Monday 28th Oct Labour Day and Friday 1st Nov Staff Only Day

Nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa
Big greetings to you all.

It has been a long term for students and staff alike, but we have only one week left before the next school break and we roll into Daylight Savings. Tamariki have continued working hard and having fun despite the weather and all the winter ills and chills. It has been great to have the school pool back in action and to see all the happy smiles even when concentrating on water and movement skills.

Staff in the senior school are working hard putting plans together for the first camp to be held at the Pirongia Lodge in November this year. Meanwhile the junior school are busy at work with their movie production show casing the abilities of our younger children. Keep an eye out for the premiere next term. The therapy team continue to work tirelessly across the school supporting students, staff and whaanau.

Curriculum work is on-going in the areas of literacy and numeracy, in line with government mandates, to ensure the learning is meaningful and appropriate for our special learners.

The kapa haka group have worked hard all year in their build up to the kapa haka festival held in Rotorua last week. They all represented our kura with pride and came home with a taonga for their poi. They have another engagement in Hamilton early next term which will help to keep them focussed.

So in the final days before the end of the term...

“Ki te kotahi te kaakaho ka whati; ki te kaapuia, e kore e whati”

When we stand alone we are vulnerable, but together we are unbreakable

Noho ora mai,
Christina



Kapa Haka

Ka tika, me tuku Mihi ki te roopu Kapa Haka o Patricia Avenue! I maia te tū ki te atamira. Poho kereru ana mātou I tō koutou tū!

Anō hoki me mihi ki ngā kaimahi katoa I pukumahi ki te āwhina I ngā taura ki te tū ki Rotorua. Anō hoki ki Te Kura Pūkenga O Rotorua, e kore e mutu ngā mihi kia koutou! Mauri Ora e te whānau!

Sending a massive mihi to the kapa haka group. They stood strong on the stage. We all are super proud of them!

Thanks to all kaimahi that helped our students to stand on the stage. Thanks to Rotorua Specialist School! Mauri ora e te whaanau.

Renee Manning Dance Therapist & Music Specialist



Therapy Programmes at Patave..

Creative Arts Therapies:

Senior students from various classes at Base School have been participating in weekly Creative Arts Therapy sessions this term. In these group sessions, we have been exploring storytelling through Visual Art, Music, Dance and Drama.

Students have loved dressing up in costume and playing a character. They have been expressing themselves by playing a range of musical instruments and engaging in dance/movement. Each week students are encouraged to explore a range of art materials and tools. They are proud to share their art with the rest of the group.

These group sessions help to promote social interaction, build confidence in a group setting and are great fun. *Renee Manning (Dance Therapist and Music Specialist) and Irma Luka (Art Therapist and Art Teacher)*



Junior Satellites Units

COLOUR RUN

On Monday, September 2nd, all junior satellite units gathered at Silverdale School for a colour run event. Students came together to express their creativity and enjoy a memorable, joyful day. The lively colour run promised a day filled with smiles and cheers as students participated in a run surrounded by bursts of rainbow-coloured powders. There was lots of fun - artwork, planting seeds and joining in the colour run. At the end, we all had lunch together and then enjoyed each other's company.

John Brooker and Mansi Doshi— Teachers at Silverdale Satellite Unit



Mangakootukutuku Satellite Room 1

In Room 1, we love celebrating special occasions that fall during the term. This term, we embraced Tongan Language Week, learning basic Tongan phrases and exploring Tongan culture, including their geography, national attire, traditional foods, and the importance of church in their community. A highlight was watching the Tongan cultural performance by our host school, Mangakootukutuku College, which the students thoroughly enjoyed.

Another significant event this term was the passing of Kingi Tuheitia Pōtatau Te Wherowhero VII. Our students honoured his legacy by creating commemorative posters and acknowledging the crowning of his daughter, Ngā Wai hono i te pō, as the new Maaori Queen. These activities provided meaningful opportunities for students to engage with both Tongan and Maaori cultures.

Sheeba Khan—MKT Rm1 Teacher



Mangakootukutuku Satellite Room 4

Room 4 has been loving their community walks. We are eager to practise our road safety awareness and improving our fitness. We are always excited to report what we saw on our walks and enjoy the opportunity to catch up with our peers. Here is a few of our photos.

Elrien Smith—Teacher



Base Room 6

In Room 6 we have all been working hard on our calendar art. This piece of art has had lots of layers added to build up the paint. Then we used a hairdryer to move the paint around and added a photo to the art work.

Niki Ormsby—Teacher



Parents, we need to know

Home Addresses: If your child is currently receiving Specialised Education Transport Assistance (SESTA) you must notify the school immediately you are aware that you will be moving home (R1 address). A new transport application needs to be submitted and applications can take some time (possibly up to 4-6 weeks) for approvals to be confirmed.

Telephone Numbers: To keep our records current and in case of emergencies please notify your teacher and the office for any changes in parent/ caregiver contact details.

Sick Child: To avoid the transmission of bugs, if you suspect or know your child is sick please keep them at home. We have a number of vulnerable students.

To report any absences please choose the student absent line 078569350 or submit an absent message on the **SKOOL LOOP APP** and provide reason why your child is absent. **You must notify the transport company**

too. Cross Country:027 556 0994

Go Bus Hamilton: 021 314 442

Go Bus Te Awamutu: 021 0759 084

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

Free health services for school aged children
He ratonga hauora kore utu, mo nga Tamariki kura katoa

Public Health Nurses work with schools and communities to promote health and wellbeing

Public Health Nurses are required to work in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993 and section 125 of the Health Act

Schools have a designated Public Health Nurse who visits on a regular basis. School staff, parents/whanau can refer children with health concerns to the Public Health Nurse

Public Health Nurses can help children, their families/whanau and teachers with:

- Assistance with health concerns
- Assessments
- Information
- Immunisation programmes with school
- Links with other specialist services
- Access to specialist services
- Links with other services
- Child advocacy

Satellite Unit Contact numbers:

Woodstock: 07 8556686 ext 828

Marian: 07 8557515 ext 223

Fairfield: 07 8559718 ext 853

Silverdale: 07 856 7604 ext 818

Te Awamutu Satellite:078714199 ext 240

Transition Unit: 07 839 4438

Cambridge, Melville Primary and Mangakootukutuku call main office 078569350 and ask to be transferred.

Community Info

Note Satellites follow Patricia Avenue School calendar dates

2024 Term Dates and Calendar

Term 3 22 Jul—27 Sep **Term 4** 14 Oct—20 Dec

(Labour Day Mon 28th October

Staff only day Fri 1st Nov)



STEP BY STEP GUIDE

Download the SKOOL LOOP APP via Google Play or App store

- Open the Skool Loop App—will land on welcome page
- Click 'Select your schools'- menu to search your school
- Once you reach your school, tick on the righthand side
- Tap 'select schools' button in the right corner
- Tap big orange Choose button. This will load your school and bring up the settings page
- Subscribe to the relevant groups—for parents choose Whole School then click 'go back' to main page

***** SKOOL LOOP IS FREE—NO DATA COSTS*****

LOST ITEMS: It will greatly help us to return items of clothing if they are clearly named. The office has two items of the same brand that may have been discarded on the way to class so are unidentifiable by staff to whom they may belong. Please contact class teacher if you are aware of any missing clothing/shoes.

The Public Health Nurse can help if you have concerns about your child's health and development:



Allergies
Speech
Head lice
Eyesight
Asthma
Wetting
Dental
Eczema/school sores/scabies



Nutrition
Hygiene
Hearing
Hospital follow up
Mental health
Soiling
Welfare



Our Public Health Nurse is:

Clare McLaughlin

Contact the office (078569350) for permission to do a referral

