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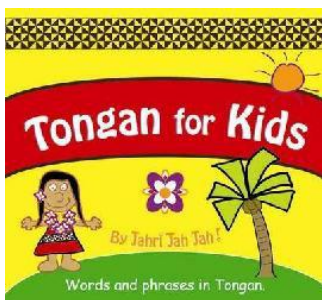


Principal's Newsletter Term 3 Week 8

10 September 2020

Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo, Talofa Lava, Bula Vanaka, Malo e Lelei, Fakaalofa Lahi atu, Namaste, Talofa Ni and Warm Pasifika Greetings!

Mälō e lelei!



Greetings everyone! We celebrate and acknowledge Tongan Language Week. There are numerous online links you may be interested in looking at. Check out this link...

[Tonga Language Week Uike Kātoanga'i 'o e Lea Faka-Tonga](#)

The theme for Tonga Language Week is "Fakakoloa 'o Aotearoa 'aki 'a e Lotu Mo'oni". "Enriching Aotearoa New Zealand through Prayer and Faith".

Swimming update

This week the senior classes have been going to the Rotorua Aquatic Centre. I asked students what they have been doing.

Kaylee (Room 10) - I have been practising backstroke and dolphin diving. I am confident in the water.

Kale (Room 10) - I have been practising my arm strokes and breathing technique using a flutter board. I am also confident in the water.

Anaka (Room 11) - I have been practising backstroke using the flutter board. Before that we learnt how to float on our backs unassisted.

Riana (Room 8) - I have been practising and improving my freestyle technique. We are also taught how to breathe correctly.

There have been a number of students affected by chlorine i.e. skin, eyes. Staff will report any student affected. Students do get access to showers if needed. Providing goggles is also helpful.

The **Middle Team** have their swimming programme next week. Thank you to the parents and caregivers who have been able to support their children's class last week and this week.

TEACHERS ONLY DAY

We have planned for two days for professional learning as a result of the Teachers Collective Agreement with the Ministry of Education. These will be held on **Friday 25 September** (last day of this term) and **Friday 23 October** (Labour Day Weekend, Term 4). Please ensure you make arrangements for your child to remain at home. We thank you for your support.



WHANAU BREAKFAST - Cancelled

In consultation with staff we have decided to cancel this term's Whanau Breakfast due to the uncertainty with the COVID-19 Alert Levels, which still remain at Level 2. For this event we are restricted to a maximum of 100 people. Our hall kitchen is not yet fully operational and it would be preferable that we have everything in place before hosting this event.

We look forward to the next opportunity in Term 4 to host Whanau Breakfast on Friday 6 November. Thank you!

ROOM 4 - ROCKS



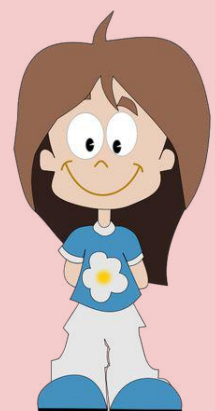
Here we have made Autumn trees on man-made rocks.



We painted river rocks as pets.



WOW! Real Fossils. We also got to make our own cast and mould Fossils.



We can now name & identify a variety of Crystals, then we made our own crystals using Borax and hot water.

Our School Artwork

Throughout the school terms our classes do a lot of artwork with Jenny Brell. Here are some of the beautiful pieces from the junior and middle school.



Junior class Fire Engines

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Visiting the School

Sign-in. Stop the virus.

If you are visiting the school for any reason, to see a staff member or to collect your children, you **MUST** sign in at the front office. There is also the QR code available inside the office foyer.



'Stepping up - 'Upáne'

Every Wednesday from 1.30-2.45 pm, we look forward to welcoming your child and helping them to prepare for their transition into Malfroy School.

The aim of our transition to school programme, **'Stepping up - Upáne'** is to ensure a smooth change over from Early childcare/home care to the school situation in a happy and very supportive way. Children from 4 to 5 years are welcome to attend.

The Learning Outcomes that we focus on at the 'Stepping up' are:

- Developing Self Esteem
- Developing Social Skills
- Formal Routines
- Early Literacy and Numeracy Skills
- Fine Motor Skills
- Oral Language Skills

'Stepping Up - Upáne'

Is held every Wednesday at 1.30 to 2.45pm afternoon in Room 1 with our New Entrant Teacher, Whaea Linda.

If your New Entrant child is able to have at least 4 visits prior to them starting school, then this really helps them to make an easy and stress free transition to school when they do start. Call in to the office and pick up a 'Stepping Up- Upáne' transition pack and enrollment form.

Honey Fundraiser

Pure New Zealand (locally sourced) Honey. Last year our honey fundraiser was a big hit. It is once again available from the school office. \$15.00 each/1 kg container



Hockey Draws

Sports Draws/Results

Team	Turf	Time	Vs
Mini	ROTO 1QC	12:50	Te Koutu Kowhai
Maxi	ROTO 2H1	09:50	Selwyn Gold
Funsticks	2B3	12pm	

Hockey Results

Team	Win/Loss	Player of the day
Mini	Win	Travis (Aarav MVP)
Maxi	Draw	Vincent
Funsticks	-	Cef

Junior Swimming Stories

Room One learners used their swimming experience to write their longest story ever! They added on to their story over three days, which helped these beginning writers to understand that their ideas can be extended upon.

I am going in the bus to the Aquatic Centre. I am learning to be a mermaid. I liked making rocket arms and diving in the water.
Nesha

