

PETONE CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Wednesday 1st June, 2022

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Reminders:

- Please bring a jacket for wearing outdoors.
- Juicies for sale every Monday and Friday lunchtimes \$1 each.
- Please download SkoolLoop from the App store to receive our newsletter and other information straight to your device.

Try a little Sāmoan this week:

Tālofa lava
Hello (formal)

Mālō le soifua
Hello/Good Health

O ā mai oe?
How are you? (To one person)

Manuia fa'afetai
Good, thank you.

Manuia le aso
Have a great day.

Tōfā soifua
Good bye (formal)

Principal's Message:

Mālō le soifua!

Ia Manuia le Vaiaso o le Gagana Sāmoa- Fa'aāuāu le Folauga i le Va'a o Tautai- Sāmoan Language Week, Continue the Voyage with Competent Wayfinders of the Ocean.

This year, Sāmoan Language Week has the theme of "Sustainability" This reflects the journey of language revitalisation and how important it is to maintain identity and language.

Sāmoan Language Week has been celebrated for 12 years in Aotearoa.

This year is a significant year for Sāmoa, as it is the 60th Anniversary of Sāmoan Independence.

Sāmoa is the only Nation that Aotearoa has a Treaty of Friendship with. The Treaty of Friendship is a commitment to partnership, friendship and a mutual respect to support Tagata Sāmoa in revitalising Language and fuller opportunities for social progress.

Our days are getting colder, and we are noticing tamariki coming to school with no rain jacket or warm clothing. Please make sure your tamariki are dressed for the weather.

Ia fa'amanuia outou e Le Atua
Manuia Le Vaiaso- Have a good Week
Māuri ora
Whāea Trina- Tūmuaki.



Our Value:

RESPECT

- Self
- Others
- Environment



House Points:

House points are given out to students who demonstrate our value of Respect and also for events during the year.

Term 2 Points so far:

Kea: 404

Weka: 417

Ruru: 424

Celebrations:



Congratulations to the following students who have had a birthday this term or about to celebrate a birthday:

- Meleana
- Kavell

Important Dates for Term 2:

Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June: Sāmoan Language Week

Activities in classes

Monday 6th June: Queen's Birthday Holiday

School Closed

Tuesday 14th June: Trip to Te Papa for a Matariki learning session.

Monday 20th June - Friday 24th June: Matariki Week

Activities in classes

Friday 24th June: Matariki Holiday

School Closed

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th July: Parent-Teacher Meetings

School closes at 1pm on these days.

Tuesday 5th July: Westpac Chopper fundraiser

Friday 8th July: Last day of Term 2

Kānuka Class Creatives Project:

Last week Kānuka class shared their Creatives learning with their parents and also to other classes in the school. Thanks hugely to Selina and Sale for coming in and working with our students!



Up and coming trips:

On Tuesday 14th June all of our students will take part in a trip to Te Papa. Classes will be bussed to Te Papa where they will undertake a learning session about Matariki. Classes will leave and return to school at different times throughout the day, but will all be between the times of 9:15 and 2:45, so drop off and pick-up times will remain the same as usual. Students year 4-8 will be required to wear a face mask. Thanks to those who have volunteered to be parent helpers on the day, this is much appreciated as our outings could not go ahead without you!

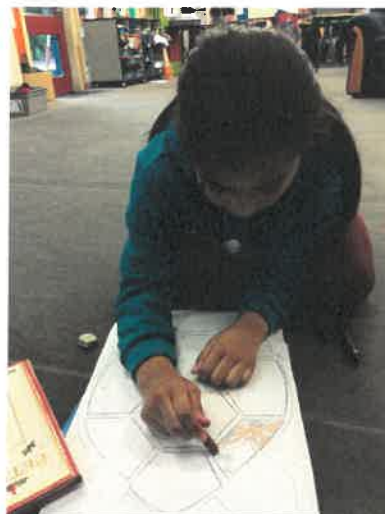
We had also planned to take a trip to Petone Settlers Museum this term as part of our history of Petone studies, however we have had to delay this trip until the beginning of Term 3. We will seek parent help for this later this term/early term 3 so please do look out for further updates.

Sāmoan Language in classes:

This week classes have been learning some Sāmoan language for example, how to greet, farewell, say please and thank you, and ask how someone is.

We were all treated today to some lovely chop suey and rice which was cooked by Whāea Laisa and some of our seniors.

Classes are also creating some Siapo pattern artworks.



Wellington Saints Visit:

A surprise was in store for our school basketball teams today, we had a special visit from some Wellington Saints team members! The Saints worked with our basketball teams on some training and skills sessions, which of course our students enjoyed very much!



Petone Central School History (Part 2):

This year is the 140th year that Petone Central School has been open!
This term classes will be undertaking some studies on the history of our school and later in the year we will celebrate with our school families.

Over the 140 years Petone Central has been operating, there have been 20 Principals. Whāea Trina is our 20th! Below are the Principals/Headmasters that have served as our school leaders over the years.



1882-1886
C.R. Joplin



1887-1909
James Horne



1910-1917
W.H. Foster



1917-1921
C.N. Haslam



1921-1930
D.S. Bedingfield



1931-1934
F.W. Moore



1934-1937
Robert Cole



1937-1940
H.H. Sutton



1940-1948
J.W. Lopdell



1949-1950
F.H. Clift



1951-1961
E.N. Coppin



1962-1966
G.S. King



1967
G. McDonald



1968-1974
W.G. Walters



1974-1988
Roy Hewston



1988-1994
Rob Kuiti



1994-2000
Sophie Tukūkino



2001-2005
Niki Silao



2005-2014
Iosua Esera



2015-Present Day
Trina Bennett

Reminiscences published in the Petone Central Jubilee Book about an early Principal, James Horne:

Forty years ago I was a boy of 10, attending Petone School. The headmaster at that period was Mr James Horne, secretly known to the boys as 'Jimmy'. He also acquired another nickname through his habit of sending some boy to the butcher for soup bones or gravy suet. I have been frequently sent on the errand myself. He was very fond of soup and when sending a boy to the butchers would at times remark, "Do you like soup P.J? Like soup, many boys like soup." Hence he acquired the nickname of 'soup', which we took care to never let him hear, for the simple reason that he wore a long tail-coat with a very deep pocket in which reposed his strap of boot laces, which would have been far better hanging in Mr Carver's boot shop at the corner of Sydney and Jackson streets (where we concluded he bought it). This strap had a perfect touch and a nasty habit of winding. However, we all loved him (without the strap).



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