

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SCHOOL

Term 1 2020 Week 7	16	17	18	19	20
Week 8	23 FIV trip to Botanical Gardens	24 Piwakawak Trip	25	26 FIV Parent Fono 5pm	27

COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS

The Ministry of Health alongside the Ministry of Education is communicating with schools on a daily basis to keep everyone informed of updates regarding coronavirus. You will know that the Government has already implemented a range of measures to minimise the impacts to New Zealand. This includes border restrictions, a requirement to self-isolate on arrival in New Zealand from overseas and immediate and detailed contact tracing of any confirmed cases.

There are currently 8 confirmed cases in New Zealand. While it is expected that more cases will arise, the Ministry of Health says that with continued vigilance the chance of widespread community outbreak is expected to remain low in New Zealand. We all have a role to play in this.

For our school, our pandemic plan is ready to be implemented if needed. In the meantime we will continue to focus on good hygiene practices. Hand washing and good cough etiquette are very important tools in preventing the spread of illness including colds, flu and COVID-19. One school trip has been cancelled due to restrictions on large gatherings (see below). We are closely following the advice of Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education and will continue to keep you updated

Call Healthline 24/7 on 0800 358 5453 if you need to speak to someone. Visit www.govt.nz/covid-19-novel-coronavirus for more information.

TOROA POLYFEST TRIP

This trip will not be going ahead as Polyfest has been cancelled.

HOMEWORK BAGS

Homework bags have been distributed to all roopu. These are for students to bring homework activities to and from school. This might be a book to read, some spelling words or basic facts to practice, a maths game to play, something to write or some questions to ask family members. Homework bags are provided by the school to support learning and are expected to be returned to school regularly. Please check with your child's class teacher regarding the routines for use and care of the homework bag.

FOFOA i VAOESE TRIP TO BOTANIC GARDENS

Students and teachers in Fofoa i Vaoese will be visiting the Botanic Gardens in Manurewa on Monday 23 March. This trip will support our learning about healthy communities and growing plants. We will be leaving school at 9.30am and returning at 2.00pm. Students need to bring their own healthy lunch and a water bottle. Please make sure your child has suitable shoes and a jacket.

PIWAKAWAKA TRIP

On Tuesday 24 March Pīwakawaka will be exploring the Wiri Community as part of our inquiry. We are looking at local resources and facilities. As part of this trip we will be visiting the Manukau Library, Manukau Bus and Train Station and then possibly the Manukau Police Station. We will be stopping for lunch at Hayman Park.

We will be leaving school at 9.30 am and returning to school by 2.45 pm. Students will need to bring a packed lunch and a water bottle.

We will need assistance from parents. A notice will go home tomorrow.

Sharlene Howe

GROCERY RAFFLE

We have tickets on sale for \$1 each to win a laundry basket full of groceries. Or for \$10 get 12 tickets. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 8 April. Buy your tickets from the office.



WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH Every step together

April is World Autism Awareness Month. To show our support we are having a dress-up day - 'Come as your Alter-Ego' - Friday 3 April. Gold coin donation - proceeds to Autism NZ.

FOFOA i VAOESE PARENT FONO

Thursday 26th March at 5pm in the staffroom. Please come along to talk about our goals for students learning in Fofoa i Vaoese. There will be childminding available in Room 1.

Mo Matua

Ma le fa'aaloalo lava e fa'asilasila atu ai, o le a faia la tatou fonotaga i le Aso Tofi 26 o Mati i le 5 i le afiafi i le potu o faiaoga. Fa'amolemole tala mai aao e fa'asoa i mataupu taua aua le a'otauina o alo ma fanau. O le a iai le faiaoga e fesoasoani i le vaia o alo ma fanau i le Potu 1 a'o alo atu mo le fonotaga. Fa'afetai.

SATURDAY NETBALL

Last week students brought home individual notices about playing Saturday netball. If your child is keen to play, the notice needs to come back as soon as possible. If they have lost their notice they can collect another from the office or from me. We need to register teams. The fees are \$50 for Year 0-4 and \$60 for Year 5-8 students. The fees need to be paid before we register teams. If you would like to pay part off the fees each week that is ok.

We are still looking for coaches, Managers and umpires for the season.

If you have any questions come and see me.

Anet Conroy