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Newsletter
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From the Desk of the Principal

Kia Ora Koutou Sara Cohen Whanau,

I hope everyone is well and enjoying the improving weather. ☺

It was great to see so many parents and staff at our 'Fish & Chip' evening last night. Having the opportunity for the parents and students of our school to meet, talk and eat together is very important in fostering a sense of community for the Sara Cohen Whanau.

After eating our takeaways we all took part in a workshop led by Cleave Hay (Special Advisor to the Board of Trustees). The focus of the workshop was to get input, from the parent community, into the vision and direction in which the school should go. Some great ideas were generated by the people there and these ideas will give me and the BoT information so that we can create a School Charter and Vision that reflects the wants and needs of all stake holders.

We are all excited at base school about the construction of our new 'fit for purpose' fencing. The new fencing will provide secure and safe areas for our students to play and learn in. The painters, builders, electricians, plumbers and roofers have been hard at work making much improved learning environments for our young people on base. If you are in the vicinity of base then please come in and have a guided tour with me.

The enrolments for next year are coming in 'thick and fast' and we have nearly reached capacity in our junior class of Pikopiko. We will look forward to welcoming at least three new 5 year olds next year as well as other students who will be part of the other areas of the school.

I hope that you have a fantastic weekend.

Please remember our other key dates ☺

- 🚩 **Wednesday the 13th of December is our school leavers ceremony and end of year BBQ. This is where we share the success of our school leavers and wish them all the best for their future. The whole school are invited to this school wide event.**
- 🚩 **The last day of school is the 19th of December and the first day of term 1 2018 is the 1st of February.**

Have a great weekend!

Ngā mihi nui

Matthew



A Friendly Reminder - Student Stationery Accounts

A big thank you to those who have paid their accounts promptly. It is really appreciated. If you still haven't paid yours, we respectfully ask that they be paid before the end of term.

A word from the Music Therapist Dennis . . .

Kai Ora koutou. Have you ever wondered what your child is learning in therapy? There are only four weeks left until the end of term. We are giving you an opportunity to come and participate in the therapeutic process with your child. Phone 455 8347 to arrange.

Auhi mai awahi atu (help us help you).

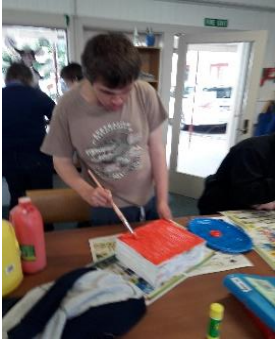
Ngā mihi

Na Multi Disciplinary team.

Absences - all classes: Ph 455 0347-1 or text 027 3538 244 before 9.00am

Please leave your student's name and a reason for the absence

Totara and Technology in Term 4



The school topic is Technology and Design - Christmas crafts. We completed our box crafts and then we moved on to our theme of Christmas tree and table decorations. We have made colourful salt dough ornaments and this week we collected pine cones to make a table centrepiece. We are practising cooking preparation skills this term. The students have enjoyed Indoor bowls the last two weeks and learnt some new skills. We are enjoying the warmer weather for walks and outdoor games.



Our Phone Options have changed!

There is no longer a separate number for the satellite classes.

Phone 455 8347 (still the same)

- 1 Absences
- 2 Office – Julie Williamson
- 3 Principal – Matthew Tofia
- 4 Deputy Principal – Sue Stephenson
- 5 Deputy Principal – Sue Waldron
- 6 Bathgate Satellite Class
- 7 Concord Satellite Class