



Pānui o te kura Spotswood #20

School Goal: Use your WITS

Rāapa 25 o Pipiri

Pepeha o Te kura Spotswood

Tēnā koutou katoa

Ko Taranaki te mouna

Ko Herekawe te awa

Ko Tokomaru te waka

Ko Te Atiawa te iwi

Ko Ngāti Te Whiti te hapū

Ko Takahere, ko Pukewhero, ko Papawhero,

ko Ngāmotu,

ko Te Maungaroa ngā pā tawhito

Ko Spotswood te kura

No reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou,

tēnā koutou katoa



Happy birthday to the following students who celebrate their birthday this week, and in the holidays, (23 June to 13 July):

Anopaishe (R15), Kaynin (R11), Arlo (R7), Sienna (R11), Meleni (R9), Aanshi (R15), Kristen (R14), Blaze (R6), Robert (R6), Saxson (R5) & Ataahua (R13)

Rā whānau kia koutou!

Greetings from our Tumuaki

Tēnā koutou!

Welcome to the last week of Term 2. The term raced by so quickly! Our school goal this week is: **Use your WITS - WITS: Walk away, Ignore, Talk it out, and Seek help.** We sometimes need such reminders to help us deal with issues and concerns. It is important for our students to have strategies to work problems out for themselves if they can. Thank you to everyone, students, parents and staff, for a wonderful term. I hope you all get a well-deserved rest. We look forward to Term 3 being just as exciting and successful! See you next term! Kia pai tō ra!

Mr Fisher

Pies and Savouries Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who supported this fundraiser. We sold **\$9,965** in pies and savouries. This is a fantastic effort! Room 6 sold the most. They did last year as well! They had a grand total of **\$2,630**. They will get pizza tomorrow. Harper from Room 6 sold the most pies with a total of **\$913**. She will receive a \$100 Warehouse voucher. Kayston from Room 6 was close behind with a total of **\$819**. He will receive a \$75 Warehouse voucher. Pies and savouries will be issued tomorrow, **Thursday 26 June**. A note has been sent home asking for help to distribute the pies. If you are able to assist, please complete the return slip. Please also remember that you are responsible for collecting and issuing all of the pies and savouries with your order. They are frozen so must be collected from the hall at **9.30 am** tomorrow, **Thursday 26 June**.

Term 3 Calendar

Week 1 (14 – 18 July)

Monday 14 July – School Starts & Haka Pōwhiri at 9.30 am
Tuesday 15 July – Board meeting at 7 pm
Friday 18 July – Principal's Assembly at 10.15 am

Week 2 (21 – 25 July)

Friday 25 July – Room 6 Assembly at 10.15 am

Week 3 (28 July – 1 August)

Friday 1 August – Room 10 Assembly at 10.15 am

Week 4 (4 – 8 August)

Tuesday 5 August – Board meeting at 7 pm
Friday 8 August – LEAD Conference and Room 11 Assembly at 10.15 am

Week 5 (11 – 15 August)

Tuesday 12 August – Fun Run

Friday 15 August – Curriculum Teacher Only Day (No school for students)

Week 6 (18 – 22 August)

Tuesday 19 August – Fun Run Postponement

Friday 22 August – **Pouakai House Leader Assembly**

Week 7 (25 – 29 August)

Friday 29 August – Room 9 Assembly at 10.15 am

Week 8 (1 – 5 September)

Tuesday 2 September – Maunga Musical Matinee
Wednesday 3 September – Maunga Musical Evening Performance
Thursday 4 September – Maunga Musical Evening Performance
Friday 5 September – Room 8 Assembly at 10.15 am

Week 9 (8 – 12 September)

Tuesday 9 September – School Photos

Friday 12 September – **Kaitake House Leader Assembly**

Week 10 (15 – 19 September)

Tuesday 16 September – Music Festival Rehearsal

Wednesday 17 September – Music Festival Evening Performance

Pyjama Day Friday 27 June

To celebrate the end of a fantastic term we are having a pyjama day this **Friday 27 June**. All students and staff are encouraged to wear pyjamas this Friday. It will be great way to finish the term!



Haka Pōwhiri

Please note that there will be a haka pōwhiri for all new students and whānau at 9.30 am in the hall, at the beginning of next term on Monday 14 July. New students and whānau please wait outside Room 3 at 9.20 am to be formally welcomed into our school. There will be staff there to assist. Whānau who have already been welcomed into our school are welcome join us in the hall as tangata whenua.

Attendance

We are all trying hard to improve attendance at our school. Attendance over the last five weeks has been going pretty well, although we had our lowest rate for the term last week. Please see below:

Week 1: 92%
Week 2: 89%
Week 3: 92%
Week 4: 91%
Week 5: 88%
Week 6: 86%
Week 7: 90%
Week 8: 88%



Keep working at attendance whānau! If your child is going to be away, please make sure you phone the school office (06 7511331), text the school mobile (027 211 3489) or use the school app.

Justified Vs Unjustified Absences

As you will be aware, we need to take the student roll every school day and establish reasons for absences. There are two types of absences. A **justified absence** is when a student is away for a valid reason like illness, bereavement, or a family emergency. An **unjustified absence** is when a student is away without approval – for example, sleeping in, shopping trips, birthdays, or holidays during term time.

Unjustified absences are more concerning because they can signal disengagement and make it harder for us to support your child's learning and wellbeing. If a child has more than 10 unjustified absences in a term it is school policy to refer them to Attendance Services who will support whānau to improve attendance.

Sports News

Here are our players of the day from Week 8:

Netball Stars – Cancelled
Netball Hearts – Penelope (R13)
Netball Aces – Kylah (R14)
Basketball Nets – Nile (R13)



Ka pai tō mahi tamariki mā!

Harvesting Experience

Whaea Sonya and Matua Callum worked with some of our keen students and planted out our school gardens. Over the last few days, they have been harvesting some of their crops. The students tried rocket, parsley and coriander that they had grown. Well done team!



New Teacher for Maunga

Some of you will be aware that Maunga classes are bigger than we would prefer. With the use of some banked staffing we are able to open a new class in Room 16. A group of students from Rooms 13, 14 and 15 will move to Room 16 next term, for the rest of the year. We welcome Mrs Jacqueline Scholtz who will be the class teacher for Room 16.



Matariki/Puanga Hangi

We had a hangi last week to celebrate Matariki/Puanga. This was an amazing experience for our students, many of whom had never had hangi before. We had a huge amount of helpers and some very generous donations of food. Huge thanks to Shane Waru and crew for putting down the hangi. Thank you to our ringawera who dished out the kai and cleaned up. Thank you, also to Ms Gower and Whaea Lisa for co-ordinating the event. The kai was absolutely delicious! It was a fantastic event, made even more special with the performance from our kapa haka rōpū. Ka pai tō mahi!

