ST. LEONARDS
– ROAD SCHOOL –

"EMPOWERING TAMARIKI TO THRIVE"

Weekly Newsletter
No 4 Term 4
4 Nov 2026

Hello • Tena Koutou • Talofa Lava • Malo e Lelei • Namaste • Ni sa bula vinaka • Fakalofa lahi atu
Kia Orana • Ni hao • As-salamu-Alaikum • Noa'ia'e Mauri

Mālo ni - Hello in Tokelau. Last week we celebrated Tokelau language week. Tokelau is a Pacific nation we can learn from regarding climate change, they made history in 2012 as the first nation to pursue 100% solar energy. They have incredible resilience and a highly unique culture and lifestyle. I'm sharing this 'Coconet TV' documentary to honour our Tokelau families and heritage VAKA — rthecoconet.tv .

Our Y3 to 6 Athletics Day this week was a big success with tamariki flying their Tongan and Samoan flags proudly after the weekend win. It was a perfect day to run off their excitement and energy. From this event our promising athletes are selected and will start training for the cluster Athletics competition.

*Congratulations Room 17 for best regular attendance! You are the class to beat. Make sure you attend school everyday to be up for the end of term 100% attendance awards! Parents be sure to save the date for our End of Year Market Day on **Friday 4th December** that will be followed by our Whānau Picnic. Information about this relaxed fun event will be sent out next week. Swimming will start next week if the weather obliges. Make sure your child's togs and towel are named in a named carry bag. Featured in this newsletter:*

- *Term 4 2026 school dates & 2027 year dates.*
- *Interschool Football*
- *Kelston Pātaka Kai*
- *Friends of Arataki Kids Day*

Yours in service,
Sharon Fuemana - Tumuaki







Save the Date:
Friday 4 Dec
Market Day
Whānau Picnic 3- 5pm





Information Links

Website

Facebook

Calendar

Visit our newly refreshed website www.stleonards.school.nz for coming events and more

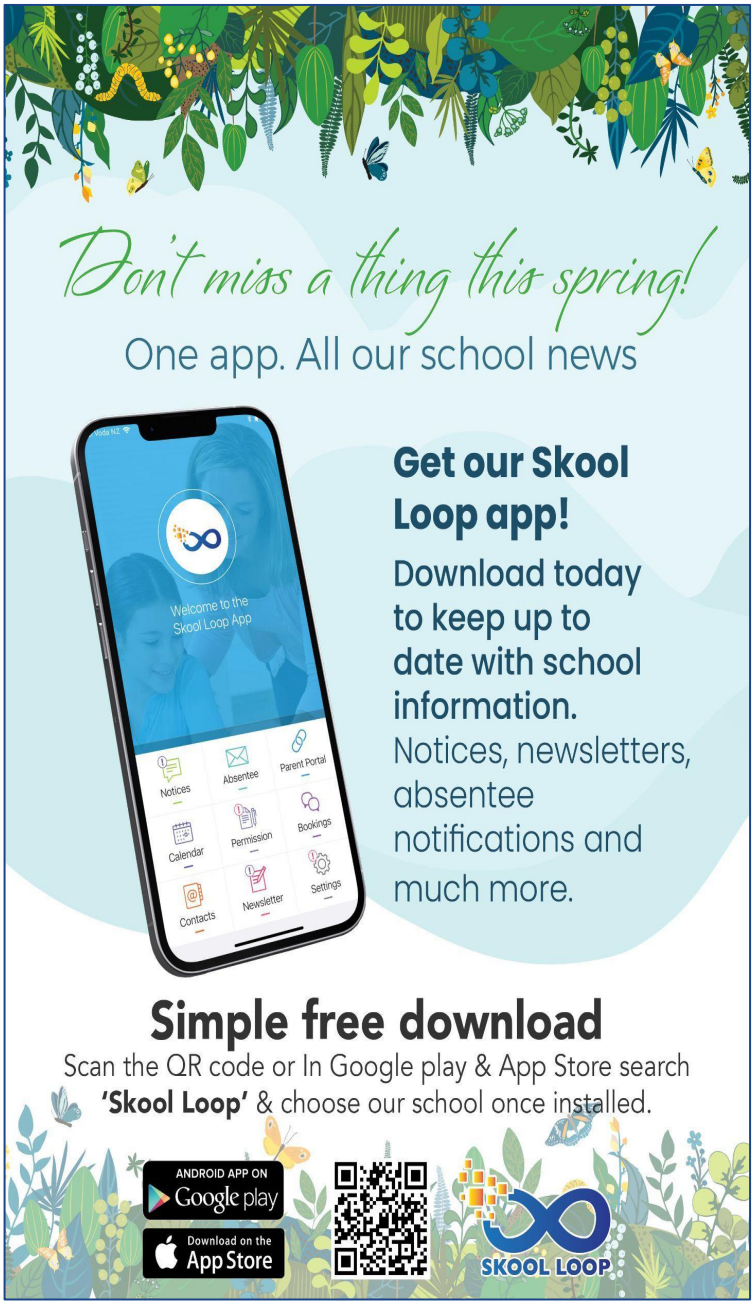
Whānau whānui – Belonging

Manaakitanga – Respect

Manawanui – Perseverance

Important 2026 Dates

2026 Term 4 Events	Dates
Parihaka	Mon 02 - Fri 06 Nov
9.10am - School Assembly, R9	Fri 06 Nov
Diwali	Mon 09 - Fri 13 Nov
Armistice Day	Wed 11 Nov
9.10am - School Assembly, R8	Fri 13 Nov
9.10am - School Assembly, R14	Fri 20 Nov
FOTS Bake Sale *(Reo Rua bringing baking)*	Fri 20 Nov
Interschool Athletics *…Save Date*	Mon 24 Nov *Thu 26 Nov*
6.30pm Board Meeting	Wed 25 Nov
9.10am - School Assembly, R21	Fri 27 Nov
9.30am-1pm Y5 Road Patrol Training	Tue 01 Dec
Last Vagahau Niue Class for 2026	Thu 03 Dec
9.10am - Pupil of the Term Assembly	Fri 04 Dec
Market Day / Whanau Christmas Picnic	Fri 04 Dec
Road Patrol Trip to Rainbows End	Wed 09 Dec
6.30pm Board Meeting	Wed 09 Dec
9.10am - Pupil of the Year Assembly 2pm - FOTS Sausage Sizzle	Fri 11 Dec
9:30am - Y6 Graduation	**Tue 15 Dec**
LAST DAY 2026 - 1PM FINISH **9.15am - Carols Assembly**	**Thurs 17 Dec**



2027 School Year Dates and Public Holidays:

Term 1 - 2027	Term 2 - 2027	Term 3 - 2027	Term 4 - 2027
Wednesday 3 Feb to Friday 9 April	**Tuesday 27 April to Friday 2 July**	**Monday 19 July to Friday 24 September**	**Monday 11 Oct to Friday 17 December**
Holidays: *Waitangi Day (observed) - Mon, 8th Feb; Good Friday - Fri, 26th Mar; Easter Monday - Mon, 29th Mar; Easter Tuesday - Tue, 30th Mar*	***Holidays:*** *King's Birthday - Mon, 7th Jun; Matariki - Fri, 25th Jun*	***No Holidays***	***Holidays:*** *Labour Day - Mon, 26th Oct*

Boys & Girls Inter School Football



St Leonards Road School soccer teams had an amazing couple of days at Interschool, with our Girls' Team competing on Wednesday 28 October and our Boys' Team taking to the field on Thursday 29 October. Both teams showed incredible manawanui (perseverance) throughout the day. Many of our students do not regularly play soccer, but this did not stop them from giving it their all. They stepped onto the field with courage, determination and, most importantly, so much heart.

They encouraged one another, kept trying and never gave up. It was wonderful to see our school values of Whānau Whānui, Manawanui and Manaakitanga shining through. Students supported their teammates, showed respect to other schools and looked after one another both on and off the field. We are incredibly proud of the way both teams represented our school. Their positive attitudes, willingness to have a go and perseverance made us very proud. Ka mau te wehi, teams! You represented our school with pride!



Kelston Pātaka Kai



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Friends of Arataki - Kids Day



FRIENDS OF ARATAKI KIDS DAY!

Sunday 6 December 2026

11am - 3pm

Arataki Visitor Centre, 300 Scenic Drive, Nihotupu







Join us for the annual Friends of Arataki Kids Day!

- The Amazing Bug man
- Fire brigade and displays
- Face painting
- Roskill Rovers Scouts
- Bouncy Castle
- Sausage sizzle
- Bake sale (cash only)
- Wai care water monsters
- Guided walks with The Biodiversity Guy
- ...and more!

Parking: Kids Day parking is at 300 Scenic Drive with overflow parking available across the road at 285 Scenic Drive.

For more information visit facebook.com/aratakivisitorcentre

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Waitākere Ranges Local Board
Auckland Council

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