

Papatoetoe West School

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From the Leader of Learning's desk

Fakaalofa Lahi atu,

This term is an exciting and busy term for everyone. We've started with our athletics day, Niuean language week, Recycling week and a Shake Out drill. Coming up soon is our Hindi language week.

Later in the term we have our special events and school prize givings to look forward to. Information about our special events will come out closer to the time for each event.

We know many people want to make plans for over the summer holidays. Please see the following page for the beginning of year and term dates for our kura for 2024. We'd like all our students back for the start of the school year so please do take note of when the school year starts up when booking any trips.

This is our last term of 2023, and we want to see our attendance up above 90% every day! Please make coming to school every day, the number one priority. We've launched into our Hauora - Health inquiry and have so much learning to do this term!

Ngā mihi nui,

Sandy Tritt
Tumuaki/Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 23 October - Labour Day, School will be closed.

Wednesday 25 October - Hindi language week-parent meeting

Monday 30 October - School Board Meeting at 5:00pm in the Meeting Room

13-17 November - Celebrating Hindi language week

Friday 24 November - Teacher Only Day

PAPATOETOE WEST SCHOOL

Parent Meeting
TO PREPARE FOR
Hindi Language Week
2023

NAMASTE! PLEASE COME ALONG TO SHARE AND DISCUSS HOW WE CAN BEST SUPPORT THE LEARNING AND CULTURE OF OUR HINDI SPEAKING STUDENTS. WE WILL ALSO BE TALKING ABOUT AND PLANNING FOR THE UPCOMING LANGUAGE WEEK

OCTOBER 25
3 PM
GATE 2, STAFFROOM

SWEET TREATS PROVIDED,
ALONG WITH COFFEE AND TEA
rsvp: (or just come along)
rebeccab@pap-west.school.nz

SOCIAL WORKERS IN SCHOOLS (SWIS)

This a free service available to our children and their whānau here at Papatoetoe West School. Please feel free to contact our school SWiS (Ann) through the Office, or by one of the following: annj@atwc.org.nz or 027 7027 987. Ann supports many of our families so please don't hesitate to reach out.



Niuean language week

Faahi Tapu he Vagahau Niue - Niue Language Week 2023

Fakaalofa lahi atu!! This week, we have celebrated the Niuean language and culture at Papatoetoe West School. On Monday, the Year 4 and Year 5-6 Pasifika groups performed at our launch assembly. They were wonderful!



We also had Niuean art, sport and language activities at 1st break and during class time.

Fakaauē lahi - thank you to everyone who helped organise the week.



Shake it Out Drill



Yesterday we participated in New Zealand ShakeOut Day. ShakeOut takes place across the world to remind people of the right action to take during an earthquake. Drop, Cover and Hold. All students and teachers participated- including the students who were in the garden!



2024 dates



1	Wednesday 7th February - Friday 12 April
2	Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July
3	Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September
4	Monday 14 October - Friday 20 December

Confirmed school closures during term time

Good Friday- Friday 29 March 2024

Easter Monday- Monday 1 April 2024

Easter Tuesday- Tuesday 2 April 2024

Teacher Only Day- Friday 31st May 2024

Kings Birthday- Monday 3rd June 2024

Matariki- Friday 28th June 2024

Teacher Only Day- Friday 23rd August 2024

Labour Day- Monday 28 October 2024



Athletics Day 2023

Athletics Day is always a day we look forward to.

A day full of fun, laughs and everlasting memories.

Last Thursday, 12th of November, the Papatoetoe West Seniors travelled to Mt Smart stadium to show us their skills, while the Junior's travelled by foot down to our adopted, Kohuora Park.



Athletics day was hard, exhausting and challenging. Our favorite part was beating the boys at Tug-of-war!

Ruma Toru Girls

High jump was my favourite. It's like you have to time everything to perfection. AND ew the girls didn't win at tug-of-war. We weren't even going that hard!

Aaron - Te Putiputi

It was such a cool day. We love how 'hard out' the kids go. We wish we went to Pap West when stuff like this happened.

**Papatoetoe High School
Volunteers**

A HUGE thank you for the parent supporters who volunteered their time to supervise our groups, Papatoetoe High School and the Allan Brewster Leisure Centre.

We don't take it for granted and are proud of our community coming together to make our day happen.

**Thank
You**

The West Way

**Respect for
self**

**Respect for
others**

**Respect for
environment**

**CONGRATULATIONS to the
following children who were
awarded a values award at
Assembly this Week:**

Year 0

Kadyn-Te Kākano

Amanda - Te Kākano

Jadrien- Ruma tekau mā tahi



Year 1

Levei- Ruma Rua tekau mā ono

Jeremy- Ruma Rua tekau mā whitu

Khloe- Ruma Ruma teko mā wa

Faimafili- Ruma Rua tekau mā

Alisha- Ruma Toru tekau



Year 2

Jordynne- Ruma Toru tekau mā tahi

Breana- Ruma Toru tekau mā rua

Apirana-Heta- Ruma Toru tekau mā toru

Aries- Ruma Toru tekau mā rima

Year 3

Jerome- Ruma Tekau mā ono

Seenu- Ruma Tekau mā whitu

Tevita- Ruma Tekau mā waru

Ranvir- Ruma Tekau mā iwa



Year 4

Chance-Ruma Tekau mā whā

Lianarah- Ruma Tekau mā rima

Charlie- Ruma Ruma tekau

Aniyah- Ruma Rua tekau mā tahi

Ayana- Ruma Rua tekau mā rua

**WELL
DONE!**

Year 5/ 6

Kingston- Te Puti Puti

Samantha- Te Puti Puti

Mary-Grace- Ruma Toru

Samara- Ruma Whā

Jaspreet- Ruma Rima

Sean-Ruma Ono

Makairos- Te Puāwaitanga

Zhang- Te Puāwaitanga



**WELL DONE ON
SHOWING THE
WEST WAY**



The school gates open at 8:15am. If you are unable to pick up your children between 2.55pm and 3.10pm, please contact SKIDS to arrange after school care (phone 0270107144).

Bike and Scooter Safety

Just a reminder that if your child rides a bike or scooter to school they are required to wear a safety helmet.