



Tēnā koutou katoa, Talofa Lava, Bula Vinaka, Mālō e Lelei, Fakalofa lahi atu, Nihao, Namaste, Kia orana, Assalamu Alaikum, Nihao, warm greetings to you all.

Whanaungatanga Day

Today we had a fantastic day at Point Erin pools. It was great to be able to use the pool, playground and basketball court, and to spend the day having fun and building relationships. Our thanks to Watts & Hughes Construction who sponsored this trip. It is a challenge learning and playing while all of the building work has been taking place but our staff and ākonga are doing a wonderful job making the most of the space we have!



Property Update

Over the past two weeks the end of the main building has been demolished. It will take at least two more weeks for the machines to sort through all of the material and take it away. It is already looking and feeling so different!

Our courts are being asphalted and fences completed over the next few days, and they will be painted in the next two weeks. The progress is really exciting, and we can't wait to use the new spaces.



We are finding creative ways to use our spaces!





Meet the Teacher

Thank you to the whānau who came along to our Meet the Teacher evening last night. It was great to meet so many of you and lovely to hear such positive feedback about the evening. Our next opportunity for connecting here at school is the 27th March, our Goal Setting Evening.



Staff Introductions

In each newsletter this term we will introduce a few of our staff members. This week we introduce the some of our teachers.

Vika Mafile'o

Role in the school: Teacher of Kōwhai (Year 7)

When I'm reading, I read anything crime related or suspenseful. I like to think I'm a detective! Other book preferences are romantic or fantasy fiction.

When I'm not at school I am spending time with my loved ones, running errands, and/or fulfilling my youth-related obligations at church and the community. The hard knock life of a Tongan daughter.



Egavas Savage

Role in the school: Teacher of Kauri (Year 7)

When I'm reading, I read two genres. Love my crime novels, the best ones I have read are by Vanda Symons, a kiwi author from Otago. She has just released a new book that I am looking forward to reading in the holidays. The other genre is spoken word, I really like the way the authors express themselves.

When I'm not at school I am hiking around amazing scenic routes around Auckland. I love to travel around New Zealand seeing our natural beauty.



Lizzie Bayliss

Role in the school: Release and support teacher in Kōwhai (Year 7)

When I'm reading, I read Kid Lit, I love reading Children/Teen novels... so I can keep up with what the kids are reading! I also enjoy keeping up with what is happening in Education too!

When I'm not at school I am Ideally at the beach! Or doing something else fun with my family, my kids are also Year 7 and Year 8. We like to get into nature and go for walks and surf and snowboard.



CENTRAL ZONE SPORTS THIS TERM

Boys' Softball 29 February

League Tag 27 March

IMPORTANT DATES

Board Meeting 27 February, 4:30pm

Paid Union Meetings 21 March- **early finish**

Goal Setting Evening 27 March - **early finish**

Easter 29 March-2 April

Board Meeting 9 April, 4:30pm

Last day of Term 1 12 April

Early School Finishes

On the 21st of March all teachers who are members of the teachers union, NZEI, will attend a Paid Union Meeting. School will finish at 12:45pm that day. On the 27th March we are having our Goal Setting evening, we will be finishing school early that day as well, so that we can fit in all of our whānau meetings. More information will come out about both of these days.