



Kia ora tatou katoa - hi everyone

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WELCOME to Connor Devine, Honor Bailey, Arabella Wikaira, Riley Gwynne, Jordan Whitfield, Harshika Sapkota who started at Papanui Primary this week. We know they will have a great time learning and making new friends.

UPCOMING EVENT

Open Day - Thursday 1 June 2 - 3pm, 6 - 7pm.

A chance for whanau and families to visit the classrooms and see what the children have been learning.

MINDSETS

Term 2 is an important term as the children and teachers, supported by families and whanau, work on their learning goals. The progress will be shared at the Learning Conferences on 4 & 5 of July.

A child's beliefs (mindset) about themselves as learners will have a big impact upon their progress. There is clear research that a Growth Mindset is an important activator for learning. How mindsets develop is a complex mix of Nature (your genes) and Nurture (your experiences and environment). Whatever your starting point is everyone has the capacity to grow and learn. Intelligence is a quality that can be changed and developed.

- The brain is like a muscle that gets stronger and works better the more it is exercised
- Too often people believe that intelligence (IQ) is fixed
- Everytime you work hard, stretch yourself and learn something new your brain forms new connections and over time you will become smarter

All of this is unique to each individual so comparing oneself to others is not always helpful, it is more useful to look at the progress and effort of each person.

Check out this TEDTalk from Carol Dweck - a leading researcher

https://www.ted.com/talks/carol_dweck_the_power_of_believing_that_you_can_improve

TERM 2 TEACHER ONLY DAY - Monday 12 June

On Monday 12 June the teachers will be having a Teacher Only Day for Oral Language professional learning with Dr Jannie van Hees of Auckland University. It is unusual for the school to do this as we usually schedule these days for the term breaks but Dr van Hees has very limited availability. We understand this may be inconvenient but also know that you, as parents, support the teachers getting these important opportunities. I have included a link that provides a bio on Dr van Hees

<https://unidirectory.auckland.ac.nz/profile/j-vanhees>

SPORTS UNIFORM

As winter sport is approaching, we need all items of sports uniform to be returned to the School Office. There are a number of our new white tops outstanding - we don't have enough to make one team!

ADIDAS SCHOOL FUN RUN

Sponsorship money and form must be returned to school in a named, sealed envelope by tomorrow, Friday 5 May.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS are arriving at school on Monday 8 May - Order your book now through the school office or via the following link: www.entbook.co.nz/134x266. The Entertainment Book can be viewed at the school office or via the online flip book: www.online.flippingbook.com/view/347408. Books cost \$65.00 and \$13.00 of this goes to our school. **Contact Megan Taunt on 0274087572 for any further information.**

CROSS COUNTRY



The venue was changed from the Halswell Quarry to the school but we still had a great event on the last day of school. There were a few small hiccups because the course was unfamiliar but we were impressed by the children's commitment to the challenge. For some the challenge was to race and win or place as high as they could. For others the challenge was keeping on going even when their lungs were bursting.

There was also great support from other children and the families who could make it along to school. A big thank you to Glen as the chief organiser and also to the rest of the staff for helping make the day so successful.

RESULTS

Place	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
1	Soni Taylor	Hunter Charlett	Liam Kerr
2	Layne Connor	Benji Cotes-James	Adarsh Rijal
3	Shresth Dimri	Mayan Kaisa-MacKay	Liam Patterson

Place	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
1	Kaid Hamilton/Ethan Rhodes	Henry Smith	Maddox Wright
2	Xander Connor	Josh Hicks	Oliver Taunt/Logan Black
3	Archie Roberts-Smith	Riley McIntyre	Flynn Lawton

Place	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
1	Charlotte Wright	Mya Robinson	Meeka Robinson
2	Lucy Brazier	Jameelah Gebregziabher	Amelia Egorov
3	Jaydah-Lee Oti	Paige Rhodes	Lucy Maule

Place	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
1	Elyssa Radley	Ashlee McIlroy/Brodie Tuiala M.	Keira Christensen
2	Riley Coghlan	Maia Scobie	Willow Roberts-Smith
3	Zara Goodman	Charlie Watkin	Charlotte O'Leary de Malmanche

PTA NEWS

The next PTA meeting will be held on Tuesday 9 May at 7pm. All Welcome.

Kia kaha te menemene - keep smiling
Paul

