

CULTURAL SHOWCASE

Our Cultural Showcase is tomorrow evening, Wednesday 27 November. Students will be performing their items for the community - showcasing their learning and talents.

The Showcase will be held on the school field from 5.00pm. Come along with your picnic blanket and/or chairs to enjoy the performances. Refreshments will be available to purchase during the evening.

ROAD PATROL TRAINING

Thank you to all those parents who are supporting their children to be road patrol monitors. We have a second training day on Monday 16 December with Coinstable Lagi. This time we will be learning how to keep students safe on Great South Road. Students need to wear closed in shoes and a sun hat.

TALKING MATTERS

Not all talk is equal

Everyday talk often uses quite repetitive and simple words, often instructions (such as - 'Sit down!' 'Eat up!' and 'Get ready!"). Talk that is richer in vocabulary and concepts promotes brain development more effectively. Conversations that go back and forth, where the child responds and contributes (in sounds, gestures and words) stimulate learning pathways in the brain.

Rich talk that gives children new vocabulary to explain new concepts and ideas will expand their knowledge and thinking.

Positive talk, where the child is affirmed and encouraged to contribute is also more positively stimulating than frequent corrections.

The vocabulary in books is often richer and more complex than everyday speech. Repeated reading of stories gives children the opportunity to become familiar with that new text.

Giving a child vocabulary and confidence to talk helps children share their ideas, negotiate with their peers and build relationships with adults.



ROOPŪ PŪKEKO'S MINIBEAST EXPLORATION AND PICNIC AT HAYMAN PARK

On Friday, 13th December, Team Pukeko will walk to Hayman Park to explore minibeasts and enjoy a picnic. The students will be hunting and talking about the insects that live in the park. We will have a picnic together and make use of the fabulous playground there.

Ruma 10 and Ruma 12 will join us as they are investigating the bird life in the area.

Parents are welcome to join us for the day, including the walk to the park.

Please bring your lunch, wear weather-appropriate clothes, and suitable footwear for walking.

We look forward to a fantastic day.

FOFOA I VAOESE PRIZEGIVING

A reminder that Fofoa i Vaoese will be holding their roopū prize giving on the 3rd of December at the Wiri Community Hall at 11.00am.

ROOPŪ TOROA MARKET DAY

Roopu Toroa a holding a Market day on the 5th December, starting at 11am. Items for sale include artwork, keychains, puzzles, worm tea, cosy christmas creations, cookies, otaī, panikeke, cards, and so much more...

All whānau are invited to share in our learning.

Prices range from 50c to approximately \$5...

There are also a few specialty items (taonga, patu - prices to be confirmed)

MŌKAI ĀWINA KAUPAPA TO FINISH THE YEAR

Kia ora whānau, along with the main school events celebrating our students, Mōkai Āwhina have two haerenga still to go. Our first one is this Friday at 10am where we will be going to watch Moana 2 (te reo version) and then playing at Hayman Park afterwards (weather permitting). Our second haerenga will be Weds 18th December, to Ōtahuhu pools to celebrate the end of year and our Y8s leaving us too. Look out for pānui for these two trips. Mauri ora koutou!

END OF YEAR REPORTS AND EVENTS

As we approach the end of the school year I would like to remind you of some important dates. End of year reports will be sent home with students on Friday 6 December. If you have any queries about your child's report you are most welcome to talk to the classroom teacher. Our school end of year prizegiving will be held on Wednesday 11 December at 10am at the Due Drop Event Centre, BNZ Theatre. Year 8 Graduation will be held on Thursday 12 December, 5pm at Manurewa High School hall. We look forward to seeing you at these events.

THE CAT IN THE HAT - LIVE ON STAGE 2025

Yikes, the summer holidays are coming!

What to do with YOUR Thing One and Thing 2?!

Here's an idea..! Bring the whole family to the Worlds Number 1 'The Cat in the Hat' show for an experience they'll never forget. The story has been around for over 50 years and kids still love it... just like you did!

Young and old alike will delight in this lively adaptation of a classic book coming to life before your very eyes. Spoiler alert: Things run amuck, and quickly!



For more information on the show please visit our
Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/518688734292210>
Website: <https://catinthehatlive.com/>