

NO SCHOOL THIS FRIDAY - STAFF ONLY DAY

The Ministry of Education has allocated four staff only days across 2023 and 2024 to enable teachers to participate in professional learning about changes to the New Zealand Curriculum and Te Marautanga o Aotearoa.

We held one in April and will hold the second staff only day for 2023 this Friday 17 November. There will be no school for students this Friday.

CULTURAL SHOWCASE

Our Cultural Showcase is getting closer. It will be held on the evening of **Wednesday 29 November**. Students are finalising their performances, getting ready to showcase their learning and talents.

The Showcase will be held on the school field **from 5.30pm**. We are hiring a stage and inviting parents and community members to come along with your picnic blanket and/or chairs to enjoy the performances. Refreshments will be available to purchase during the evening. More information about the refreshments will follow.

If you, or someone you know, would like to set up a food stall at our showcase evening, please contact Mrs Jane Barber, our school secretary.

FRIDAY GYMNASTICS PROGRAMME

The Friday Gymnastics Programme has now finished. This has been a great experience for our students. Thanks to Gym City, Papatoetoe for running this programme for us. Room 16 and 17 enjoyed a photo opportunity with the coaches after the final session.



NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Students have been enjoying trying out the new equipment that has been added to the junior playground.



FITNESS CLUB

Whaea Anet and Sharlene take a group of students running on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8am. This is about improving our own fitness. Often during interschool sports it is our fitness that lets us down. It is not a race. The goal is to walk less and run a bit further each time. All students over 6 years old are welcome to join.

BROWSE SCHOOL WEBSITES FREE VIA ZERO DATA PORTAL

To encourage everyone to access school | kura websites on their mobile devices without being charged for data, the multi-agency Zero Data initiative has added over 2,000 kura and school websites to the updated Zero Data portal. You can access important updates from your school, regardless of whether you have data credit or not. You can also access some other government agencies through this portal without using your own data.

To learn more information about this initiative, visit:

<https://portal.zero.govt.nz/0ecf2ab113c023c8de862f3822ad4687/>

For more information, contact support@zero.govt.nz.

PLANNING FOR 2024

Planning for 2024 is well underway. To assist with planning we are keen to hear about any pre-school children who are likely to be turning five and starting at our school next year. If you have a four year old at home, please fill in the slip below with their name and date of birth and return it to school.

Child's name _____ Date of birth _____