



Term Four Calendar of Events

Week-2 Diwali celebrations including a Diwali concert on Friday 25th

- Mon 21st Oct- FAB meeting-All welcome to attend
- Tues 22nd Oct- 2025 camp meeting- Year 5 parents 6pm
- Wed 23rd Oct-Tōtara Assembly 2:15-2:45pm
- Thurs 24th Oct-Fono 5-6pm
- Fri 25th Oct-
 - HERO Pop up for Parents and Whānau 9am-10am
 - HERO Pop up for Parents and Whānau 2pm-3pm
 - Kauri Assembly 2:15pm-2:45pm

Week 3

- Mon 28th Oct- **Labour day- No school on this day**
- Tues 29th Oct- Year 3-6 Athletics Mount Smart 9am-3pm
- Tues 29th Oct-Pōhutukawa Assembly 2:30pm-3pm
- Wed 30th Oct- Whanāu Hui 5:30pm-7.00pm

Week 4

- Mon 4th Nov-Kōwhai Assembly 2:15-2:45pm
- Tues 5th Nov-Rimu Assembly-2:15-3pm
- Wed 6th Nov- Tōtara Assembly 2:15-2:45pm
- Thurs 7th Nov-Whanāu Literacy workshops 8:50am-9:50am OR 6pm-7 pm
- Fri 8th Nov -Epro8 Inter School Competition

Week 5

- Tues 12th Nov- Pōhutukawa Assembly 2:30pm-3.00pm
- Wed 13th Nov-Inter School Athletics 9am-3.00pm
- Fri 15th Nov- Teachers Only Day (school closed)

Week 6

- Mon 18th Nov-Kōwhai Assembly 2:15-2:45pm
- Wed 20th Nov-Inter School Athletics-Postponement Day 9.00am-3pm
- Wed 20th Nov- Photolife here 8:30am-3.00pm
- Thurs 21st Nov-Photolife here 8:30am-3.00pm
- Fri 22nd Nov- Kauri Assembly 2:15-2:45pm

Week 7

- Tues 26th Nov-Rimu Assembly-2:15-3pm
- Wed 27th Nov- Tōtara Assembly 2:15-2:45pm
- Wed 27th Nov- Year 0-2 Junior Athletics 9am-12pm
- Fri 29th Nov- Year 0-2 Junior Athletics 9am-12pm
- Fri 29th Nov-Disco 5pm-8:30pm

Week 8

- Mon 2nd Dec- Pōhutukawa Assembly 2:30-3.00pm
- Fri 6th Dec- Kauri Assembly 2:15pm-2:45pm

Week 9

- Mon 9th Dec- Kōwhai Assembly 2:15-2:45pm

Week 10

- Tues 17th Dec -Year6 Graduation 1.00-3.00pm

Friday 20th December Term 4 Ends

A word from our Tumuaiki

Fakaalofa atu ki a mutolu and welcome to Niuean Language Week!

We have a very full and exciting term four planned and I know that everyone will enjoy taking part in the wide range of activities.

Next week we will be celebrating Diwali and we have a range of fun, optional things happening culminating in a mini-show on Friday 25th October. Anyone attending is asked to be seated ready by 10.55am on this day.

Next Friday also, we will be hosting 50 minute meetings for any parents who feel they need more information about using Hero. These small meetings are an opportunity to get more knowledge about how to use our excellent App and people can either attend the morning session at 9.00am or the afternoon session at 2.00pm.

Later in the term, we have the Year 3-6 Athletics at Mt Smart and the children really enjoy taking part in these activities in a stadium setting. We use this day to select our best performing athletes to represent us at the Inter-school event later in November.

Towards the end of the term we have the end of year disco and the Year 6 Graduation which is always a very special occasion for our senior students.

This term's main learning inquiry is how to keep ourselves healthy. As part of this study, the children will be looking into how to relate well to each other and how to get the most out of the food that we eat. You can ask them about the taste testing that they did this week as this has already led to some interesting learning. The term will finish with a visit from 'Harold' of the Life Education Trust which will do a great job of supporting this focus!

In this and every newsletter, we promote the contact details of some companies and business people who have chosen to commit funds to the school to use in whatever way we wish. We are very grateful to them for their generosity and invite our families to give these businesses the opportunity to quote for the services that they offer.

Ngā mihi maioha,
Neil Robinson
Principal

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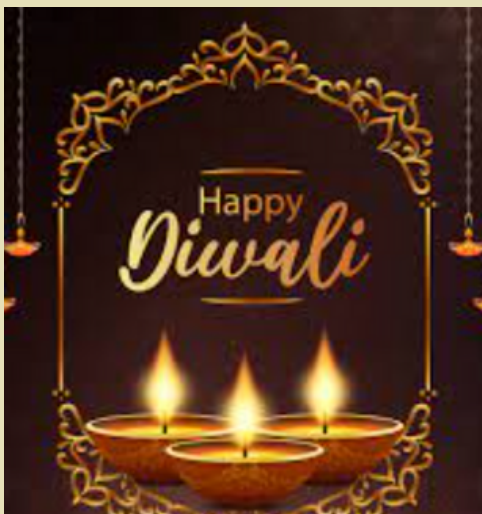
STAFFING UPDATE

This term we welcome four new part time staff to our teaching team.

Although they might relieve in other areas as well:

- Kerry McIntyre will be working in the Kōwhai team
- Krystal Arnold will be working in Takahē A
- Sarah Hunt will be teaching in Huia
- Xiuxia Zhuang will be working in Rimu
- Amelia Slade will be teaching in a range of different rooms

DIWALI CELEBRATION



Join us next week for our vibrant mini Diwali concert, a delightful celebration where tamariki and a few whānau members will showcase their talents through performances! We are seeking enthusiastic individuals who can play an Indian musical instruments or perform traditional or Bollywood dances. If you're available on Friday, the 25th of October, between 11:05 and 11:30 a.m., we would love for you to be a part of this joyous event. Additionally, we are looking for volunteers to help with Henna on Wednesday, the 23rd of October, from 11.00a.m.-11:30 a.m., adding a touch of artistry and tradition to our festivities. Your participation will not only enrich the celebration but also bring immense joy to the children. Please let us know if you can contribute to making this Diwali event truly special!

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FAB Lunch Fundraisers Dates- Term 4



The FAB team has coordinated with Kindo and our suppliers to set the lunch dates for Term 4. Most lunches will be on the usual Wednesday, but due to some school trips, some dates have been moved to Thursdays. Please take note of the changes and the closing times for orders.

Lunch Providers & Order Details

1. Pita Pit

- Ordering Closes: 9 AM on the day
- Dates:
 - Wed, 16th October
 - Thurs, 14th November
 - Wed, 11th December

2. Mai Sushi

- Ordering Closes: 12 PM the day before
- Dates:
 - Wed, 23rd October
 - Thurs, 21st November
 - Wed, 18th December

3. BakeAholiC

- Ordering Closes: 12 PM the day before
- Dates:
 - Wed, 30th October
 - Wed, 27th November

4. Xi'an Food Bar

- Ordering Closes: 12 PM the day before
- Dates:
 - Wed, 6th November
 - Wed, 4th December

Payment Information

You can pay through the Kindo app. If you don't have Kindo, it's easy to set up by registering at mykindo.co.nz/Register or by downloading the app, available on Apple and Android.

If you need assistance, feel free to ask our friendly office staff!

TERM FOUR UNIFORM

With the warmer weather about to hit, we will no doubt see an increase in jumpers and hats being put on and taken off.

Please, please, please make sure that all uniform items have your family name in and that these are really easy to read. We currently have eight Polar Fleece Jackets that we can not read the names of in the lost property cupboard. Clearly named uniform will help us to make sure that children's items are returned to them.

Please note too that all children will need to have a school hat to wear at school from the start of term four. If your child does not have one, we urgently need you to get these purchased so that the children can play safely outside. Hats can be purchased from www.argyle.co.nz



Disco

The FAB are pleased to announce that they will be running a Disco on Friday 29th November - so please put this date in your calendar.

They will be asking for help on the night so parents might want to be thinking about whether or not they can do this.

More details will be provided after the first FAB meeting for term four which will be held next week at 6.30pm on Monday 21st October.



FREE ENTRY

Waitakere Indian Association
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Diwali

SUNDAY 20 OCTOBER
TRUSTS ARENA
10AM - 10PM

PERFORMANCES | CRAFT STALLS INDIAN STREET
FOOD | FIREWORKS | CRICKET | KIDS AMUESMENT | DJ

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