

Thank you to all whanau who came to talk to the teachers about their child. Your feedback is invaluable to us and helps us as a school continue to grow.

Term 2 has been extremely busy for us. We have had a school wide event every two weeks. The tamariki have been involved in an Art Intensive, Pink Shirt Day, Samoan Language Week, Art Exhibition and a Superpowered Expo. This is not possible without amzing teachers who work tirelessly to make these events happen.

This term we have participated in over eight different sports. These have all been coached by teachers in break times as we want our tamariki to experience all sport has to offer.

If you have skills in the following sports please give the office a call on 0800 11 99 22 or email office@tms.school.nz.Rugby LeagueNetballFootballBasketball



## Communication

As a school we are now communicating through text and email. For you to receive the most up-to-date communication we need contact details updated. Please check with the office if we have the correct contact details.

If you are wanting to have a chat with your child's teacher, they are available from 8:30am - 9:00am and 3:00pm - 3:30pm. All of the staff are happy to chat with you about any concerns you maybe having.

We especially want to hear about exciting things your child maybe doing after hours.

If you want to email your child's teacher, please email the office office@tms.school.nz and your email will be forwarded to the teacher.

## **Phones at School**

If your child brings a phone to school it must be dropped off at the office and picked up at the end of the school day. If you want to contact your child during the school day, please ring the office. We will either get your tamariki for

you or pass on a message.

Please note we take no responsibility for lost or damaged phones at school.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

As our tamariki use more digital technology such as apps on phones it is important that we teach them about online safety.

As a parent it is important that you know what your child/children are doing online.

Here a four steps that can help you:

1<u>Understand</u> - Take time to read about possible online risks, challenges and sometimes illegal behaviour tamariki face

- 1. online bullying
- 2. unwanted contact
- 3. social media
- 4. sexting
- 5. inappropriate content

2. Learn about your child's online activities

It is important you understand more about the online activities and experiences your child has or wants to explore. Possible questions you may want to ask:

- why they like certain apps or sites?
- who is in their network?
- what information do they share?
- what they are enjoying?
- are they making music or videos?
- what are they playing?

3. Explore Take the time yourself to explore the sites, apps and technologies your child uses.

4. <u>Agree</u> - set an agreement with your tamariki about what they can do online including what apps they have on their phone.

It is important that we all know what our tamariki are doing online, including social media. Our tamariki need to be safe and we all need to take responsibility for this.





Wearable Arts



Our Tear 7/8 Girls hockey team advanced to the CCSA Year 7/8 Hockey Tournament. For the first time Te Matauranga entered the Wearable Arts Competition at the Due Drop Events Centre. I am very proud of what the team of designers and creators from Fetulele 4 achieved. The team included - EJ Taulapapa, Fuaesi Amituanai, Hinemoa La'avasa, Janelia Ulugia and Marjorie Ulugia. Their creation was worn with pride by Mountcalvary Sila.

Their garment was made from repurposed and recycled items: a gifted puletasi, school lunch containers - collected by the whole school, used safety warning tape, cardboard and plastic packaging. They foraged from nature using plants and dried flowers. They wanted to put all these materials to good use. Moreover, they wanted to create a piece of art. The team up-cycled the plastic by learning to knit the top of the Taupou. The team loved trying out new ideas, learned new skills and had great fun creating their garment.

The title of our garment is "La'ei taupou fausia mai i mea toe gaosia "

This was held at Pukekohe. They played with great heart and were a real credit to our school



Congratulations to our Year 5/6 Volleball team who placed 3rd at the competition. They played with great sportsmanship and had a lot of fun.



Enjoy your holiday,

Debbíe Woollíams

## Term 3

We look forward to seeing all our tamariki

back on 17th July for the beginning of Term 3.

We are aiming to have 90% attendance. We need you help to do this. Please only keep your child home if they are sick.

