



Term 3 Newsletter

Week 1

22nd July 2020

Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Faka alofa lati ahu, Bula, Namaste, Ni Hao and Hello to everyone

Dear parents, caregivers and whanau,

We hope you had an enjoyable time with your children over the holiday break. It is good to see everyone back looking rested and ready for learning. We have been pleased to see so many children catching up so the Covid- 19 lockdown has not slowed down your child's progress.

It is very important that your child is at school - **H**ere **E**veryday **R**eady and **O**ntime – a HERO – so we can continue with great learning. This term our theme for learning is “Living the Dream” – helping everyone to think about how they can set goals to improve their life and help others.

Shirley Hardcastle

School Uniform

As a part of this we would also like to see children wearing the correct uniform. We do have a lot of pre-loved T shirts which we send to the cleaners and are available free for families who are finding it hard to afford a new one. See Meafou at the office. We would like everyone to wear the school fleecy or the black warriors jacket. We have plenty of these jackets too.

If you need to order a new uniform – you can go to our school website www.viscount.school.nz > Our School > Uniforms or go direct to the uniform shop https://www.argyleonline.co.nz/Viscount-School_361

Our new school sign

This week we have begun with our new school sign where we will post messages about what is happening at school. It will run from Monday- Friday 7.30am to 5.30 pm.

School values

At school, children can earn tokens by showing school values. They get to put the tokens in team boxes. The team with the most tokens can win an iceblock at the end of the term and everyone will have a fun day in term 4. Ask your children – are you in Team Wind, Team Fire or Team Water



KEY DATES

SCHOOL TERMS

2020

15th April – 3rd July

20 July – 25th Sept

12th Oct – 15th Dec

July 20

First day Term 3

July 22nd July

Boostrix Y7

July 27th

BOT meeting 5.30
All welcome

August 10th

Y7/8 girls netball

August 11th

Y5/6 girls soccer

August 12th

Y7/8 boys netball

August 14th

Lockup practice

August 20th

PHOTOLIFE

Forms coming home next week. These must be returned to the school office by

Monday 17th August

August 21st

Teacher only day

Talanona Ako app

The Ministry of Education has released a great new app which you can download for free from IOS or the app store – Talanoa Ako. It has a lot of information about learning at school and if you want you can change from English to any one of 10 Pasifika languages



Viscount app

One of the things we found out during lockdown was that it was hard to get in touch with some of you because our records had an old address or an old phone number. We will be seeking to update our contact list over the next few weeks.

Many parents found this app helpful. It is free.

<https://viscountschool.apps.school.nz/install/>

This app works on Android and Apple devices and is an easy way to get your newsletter or any important alerts. You can also send absence notices through this ap.



SKIDS

This wonderful before and after school service is fully back in operation.

Before School Care 7:30 to 8 :30 am

After School Care from 3 pm to 6 pm Monday to Friday.

We offer fun and exciting activities daily.



Winz Subsidies are available for working parents or if you are on a sickness benefit or studying. Solo parents who are working /Studying can qualify. WINZ terms and conditions will apply.

Please call Ferdilin on 0210356547 for more information.

Skids have also worked with the school to present a **Foodstorm programme** for Year 7 and 8 students each week. At this programme students make simple meals they can try out at home.

Skids have also been involved in the **Feed my Whanau programme** with Years 3 and 4. It is expected this programme will be advertised on TV and many families will get a bag of food from Nestle so students can go home and make the meal they learned about at school.

Thank you Skids.