



NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 4: Friday 16 August 2024

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mälö e lelei, Kia örana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kamusta, Salam, Bula, Namaste, As-salamu alaikum
We hope you've had a great few weeks! ✓

Victorious attitude & action: Super proud of our senior students who participated with determination in the South Auckland Math Competition SAMC, and placed 3rd! Thank you Mr Leulua'iali'i for nurturing confident aspirations. Tino pai to our senior students who participated enthusiastically in the soccer and netball interschool competitions. Thank you LA Beverleen for setting high standards. Great to hear how our Viscount Values are evident in other contexts: **Kairangi** (pursuing goals, aspiring for success); **Manaakitanga** (respect for fellow competitors); and **Whanaungatanga** (pride in School identity). Ka pai Junior School with their descriptive writing, and Middle School getting creative with cycling relays – being BTB better-than-before!



Celebration of language and Culture: Meitaki ma'ata for joining our School Assembly last week to celebrate the students' items. Meitaki to our students and staff for beautiful dances, cultural adornments and engaging displays. Super proud to see our School Values shine brightly – **Kairangi** (high expectations of performance discipline), **Manaakitanga** (positivity, inclusion, responsibility) and **Whanaungatanga** (community, belonging).



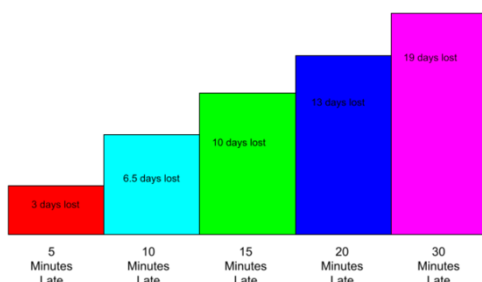
Next week we celebrate Tongan language with this year's national theme: 'E tu'ulua 'a e lea Faka-Tonga 'o ka lea'aki 'i 'api, siasí (lotú), mo e nofo-'a-kāinga – The Tongan Language will be sustainable when used at home, church and in the wider community. Miss Latu has been co-ordinating the troops and practising of items! We hope to see you at our School Assembly on Friday 23 August! Mälö 'aupito!

Board update: The Board has reviewed its **School Policies** and these are now found on our [School Website](#), click on the 'Our School' Tab, then 'Policies & Procedures' to find information on accessing our **Viscount SchoolDocs portal**. We encourage our parents/whānau to participate in the Term 3 review. You can provide feedback in the portal or, you're very welcome to visit and chat with us! **Property news** – we're delighted that the MoE have approved funding for our new build of classrooms! We are presently working with the MoE and designers to keep this moving along.



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Attendance Matters: So that all students receive vital learning they **must attend each school day (unless sick) and arrive by 8:55 am** ✓ Thank you for contacting the Office providing reasons, and promptly responding to our Office texts/calls 📞

Every minute matters: if late, learning suffers and valuable learning is lost. Let's have every student a **HERO (Here Everyday Ready On-time)** ❤️

As we strive to better our students' progress and achievement, I close with: Whaowhia te kete mātauranga – fill the basket with knowledge (keep learning and growing). Have a peaceful weekend ☺️

Fa'afetai tele lava 🌸
Dr Deanna Johnston
Principal



Term Three: Monday/Rāhina 22 July to Friday/Rāmere 27 September

IMPORTANT SCHOOL NOTICES & REMINDERS ☺

See previous Newsletters emailed to you and on our website.

Student arrival and leaving times

- School starts 8:55 am and finishes 3 pm. Please arrive before 8:55 am
- If late, students must sign in at the Library and go straight to class (learning time has already begun)
- If you need to collect your child earlier for an appointment, call the Office in advance. **Children must be collected and signed out from the Office only between 11:30 to 11:45 am**

Drop off / Pick up:

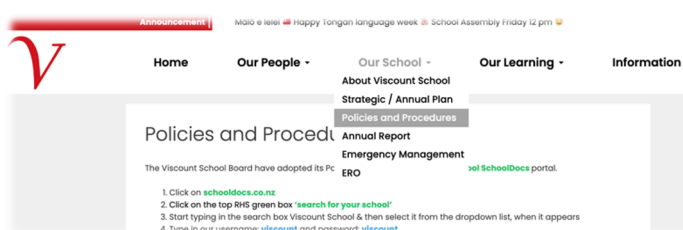
- Only use the Manukau Rovers car parks and/or surrounding streets. When parked in Rovers, please follow the safety layout, traffic flow, exits and staff on duty. **No stopping or parking at the cones**
- For everyone's safety, please do not park in or drop off inside the School gate (this is for staff parking and regular utility vehicles need safe access to our drop off and exit areas). Safety first please ☺

Walking to and around School:

- Safely walk on the paths and use the pedestrian crossing

Queries, concerns, School info, Policies:

- See your child's teacher first. You may then like to see the Team Leader, DP, AP or Principal. You're welcome to visit, call the Office or email the teacher, TL, DP or Principal. Please do not delay
- Our Policies are found on our School Website. We welcome your review



Enrolments:

- Visit or call the Office first and we'll help you enrol your child

Uniform, stationery & devices:

- Viscount School uniform is compulsory. Please purchase the **collar top**, with the shorts. The **Sports Tee is only for Y7/8**. The hat is compulsory for all students. The fleece pullover full zip is compulsory for Term 2 and 3. Students have the free black jacket too. Black trousers are optional in Term 2 and 3. Black sandals Term 1 and 4 or dark/black shoes – **NO crocs** or 'rolling ball' shoes (these are unsafe)
- Visit the Papakura shop or order online from our School website: <https://www.uniformhub.co.nz/collections/viscount-school> We supply free stationery for your child
- **No student cell phones at School**

Food/Drink/Free healthy lunches:

- Free lunch is available. Any dietary change, please contact the Office
- Water only (no fizzy, juice) – students bring a bottle each day
- Keep sweets, gum and processed convenience packaged foods at home
- Any food wrapping brought to School, goes home with your child/in their lunch box **'Pack In Pack Out'**

Wheels – bikes, scooters:

- Students are responsible for their own bike/scooter. Students must wear helmets and are responsible for securing their own bike/scooter. See the DP for information about safety routines

Viscount Breakfast Club:

- Some social fun for tamariki as they enjoy some free healthy kai in the Hall 8:20 am – 8:45 am

Notices, Newsletters:

- Emailed to parents/caregivers Friday fortnightly (let us know if your details have changed)
- Also posted on our School website www.viscount.school.nz (our online communication)
- Download the *KiwiSchools* App to your mobile (see link on our website)

