



NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 4: Friday 21 February 2025

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia ōrana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Mālō nī, Kamusta, Salam, Bula Vinaka, Namaste, As-salamu alaikum! Nau mai hoki mai! We hope you had a great week! Welcome to our new students, we're delighted you've joined Viscount School. We know you'll enjoy an awesome learning journey with us! Parents/Whaanau, you're welcome to visit/contact your child's teacher.



Attendance Matters: Woohoo!!! We reached **94% School wide attendance, AND three consecutive days in the 90s!** AWESOME WELL DONE STUDENTS & PARENTS/WHAANAU! We've beat our last year's target, earlier. Let's keep this going! All students attending School for learning, unless they are sick 🏠
Every student a HERO (Here Every day Ready-to-learn On-time)!



Thank you parents/whaanau for ensuring your child is wearing the correct uniform and shoes. We've been enjoying the fine days, and your child does not need their sweatshirt until Term 2, when the weather is cooler. We're delighted to see so many more students bringing their water bottle to School – ka pai!!



NAU MAI HAERE MAI – WELCOME!

REMINDER: MEET THE TEACHER / KAI AKO & TEAM

Tuesday 25 February after School 3:15 pm and will be available up until 5 pm.
 Your child's teacher and Team are keen to hui with you, to share key information for your child's successful learning.



TEAMS (if you have a child in other Teams, please visit that area too ☺)		WHERE TO MEET
JUNIOR TEAM Y1-4 Ritu Anand R16 Team Leader (TL) Mrs Doris Kumar R12 Mrs Elsie Marcos R13 Laurinda Juhl R14	Mrs Donna Namoro R15 Miss Hazel Bequiro R17 Mrs Archana R28	Rooms 12 & 13
MIDDLE TEAM Y4-6 Sulu Tuiala R24 Team Leader (TL) Taisia Havea R20 Mrs Temaleti Lethbridge R22 Joash Kumar R23	Alofa Jamesani R21 Mrs Ash R25 Mr Arlan Sello R26 Mrs Sumi Pidakala R27	Hall
SENIOR TEAM Y7-8 Tai Leuluaialii R1 Team Leader (TL) Melissa Malama-Talataina R8	Sharon Chan R6 Divinar Latu R6	Rooms 1-4 (building next to carpark)

Reflecting on the “power of 3” relationship “Home-School-Student”, I close with this whakataukii: **Waiho i te toipoto, kua i te toiroa** (Let's stay connected, and keep moving forward).

Fa'afetai tele lava 🌸
Dr Deanna Johnston
 Principal



TERM ONE 2025: Thursday/Rāpare 30 January to Friday/Rāmere 11 April
TEACHER ONLY DAY MoE PLD next term: Tuesday 3 June NO School, while the Teachers complete their new Curriculum professional development. Thank you parents/wāhānau for your support & understanding 😊

IMPORTANT SCHOOL NOTICES & REMINDERS ☺ See previous Newsletters emailed to you and on our website.
2025 Y7/8 Immunisations: We have been informed from Te Whatu Ora, that these immunisations will take place next February, March, June and December. If you have any queries, please call the Office.

Student arrival and leaving times

- Please arrive by 8:30 am. School starts 8:55 am and finishes 3 pm.
- 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**
- **3 pm is home time for all students. There is no supervision after school. No students should return to School after hours. Let's all keep safe.**

Drop off / Pick up:

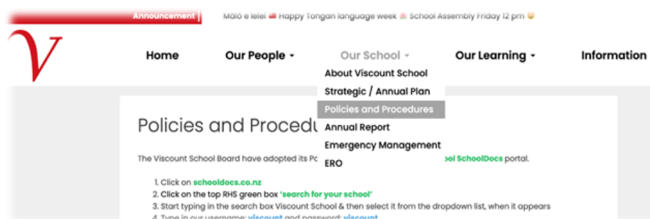
- Only use the Manukau Rovers car parks and/or surrounding streets. When parked in Rovers, please follow the safety layout, traffic flow, exits and staff on duty. **No stopping or parking at the cones**
- For everyone's safety, please do not park in or drop off inside the School gate (this is for staff 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 of Term 1 Policies ☺**



Enrolments:

- Visit or call the Office first and we'll help you enrol your child. Also see our School Website

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 Term 1 & 4. Black sandals Term 1 and 4 or dark/black shoes – **NO crocs** or 'rolling ball' shoes (these are unsafe). 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.
- To buy uniform, please 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. It is illegal (as is smoking and vaping onsite)**

Food/Drink/Free healthy lunches:

- Free lunch is available. Any dietary needs/changes, please contact the Office. We provide free fruit daily
- Water only (no fizzy or juice) – students bring a bottle to fill with water each day
- No sweets or gum. We do not have class parties/party food (health/allergy reasons)
- Any food wrapping brought to School, goes home with your child/in their lunch box **'Pack In Pack Out'**. We are a health promoting School, please consider healthy snack options, rather than highly processed foods

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 School Website)
- **Board Meetings** – twice a Term, Mondays (for dates, please see our [School Website Calendar](#))

