

# Mt Cook School Pānui

TERM 3 WEEK 5

22nd August 2024



## Here's what has happened in the last fortnight and what's to come!

Dobar dahn, Nabad,Ciao, Ni hao, Namaste, Valttukkal, Abhinandan, Subhakansalu, Grītigaza, Talofa, Bonjour, Χαίρετίσματα, Grüß, Zdravím, Приветствия, Sawasdee, Konnichiwa, Pozdrowenia, Selamlar, uten Tag, Salaam, Aleikum, Marhaba, Nay Hoh, Ayubowan, Xin Chào, Kia Orana, Shalom,

WOW, we have had such a fabulous fortnight beginning with the handball teams coming third at the interschool competition and then last night our amazing dance team came 1st Runner-up in the Year 7-8 Dance NZ Made Inter-schools competition yesterday.

Last week we were busy marvelling over Maths Week and this week our Ministry of Education released the draft Maths Curriculum. We have found that it aligns closely to our maths approaches.

This week we have loved Te Wiki o Ngā Pukapuka. We have had visits from local authors, illustrators and community members. Thanks to Lucy and the student librarians for all their organisation. Our book evening saw over 200+ whānau attend and it was lovely to spend time drinking hot chocolate, making zines and bookmarks and reading beautiful stories.

Fostering a love of reading is so important! You can help your tamariki to read by reading to them, listening to them read to you, going to the library and asking them questions about what they have read or listened to.

We are looking forward to getting more school property projects completed this term and over the holidays. We are getting new stairs from the top court to the lower court and our veranda is getting replaced too.

As you can see Mt Cook School is doing amazingly and this happens because we have fabulous, talented staff, tamariki and community. Thank you to everyone for always prioritising our tamariki.

Enjoy this fortnight's pānui!

*Adrienne McAllister*

### Important Dates:

Whānau are welcome to come to our Care Assemblies which are held every Friday at 1.30pm

#### **Book Week**

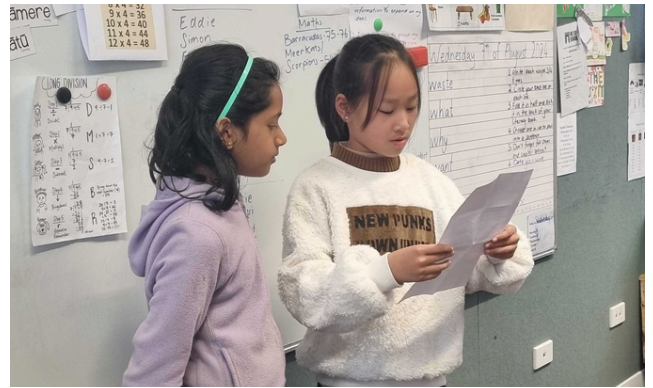
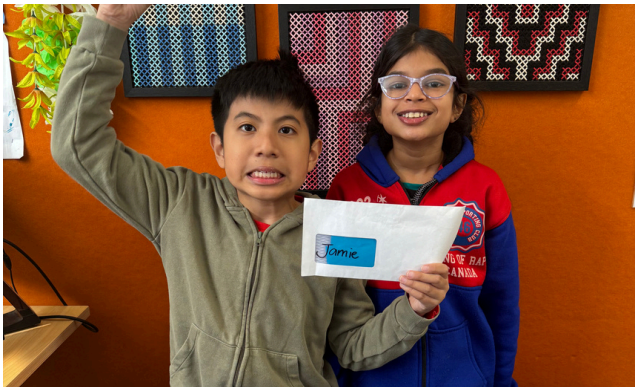
9th August - 23rd August

Thursday 22nd August  
Character Dress up Assembly  
11am

Tuesday 27th August  
Central Speech competitions at Mt Cook School 6pm to 7pm

**DISCO POSTPONED**  
Until Term 4

Board hui are held in Week 3 and Week 9 of every term.



## Learning at Mt Cook School

All of our ākonga in Hoiho, Tuatara, Manaia, Kākāpō, Kōwhai and Harakeke have been doing speeches this term.

Across the school we have heard some many amazing speech topics, from “*Not putting people down*” to “*Why we shouldn’t bring back extinct animals.*”

Muskan Abdul Rahaman shared her speech ***School is cool***. Jamie Caswara shared his speech about why ***We all need to be kind***.

Public speaking can be very challenging so ka rawe tamariki ma for all participating in our 2024 speeches.

Congratulations to our year group finalists: **Lulu, Ada, Logan, Tim, Vu, Emile, Miroslava, Aurelia, Archie, Omar, Aditya, Emilie, Khushans, Arya, Whitney, Angela, Breanna, Felix A, Mohamud, Maia G and Pepper**

Congratulations to our Inter-school speech competitors:

**Anisha, Edith, Piata and Luca**



### Spotlight on cool stuff

**HIP HOP DANCE CREW!**  
Last night they came first runner-up at the Dance NZMade Interschool Competition

*“I really love that Mt Cook School has a dance group. It’s fun because we are all in different year groups but we work really well together.*

*We have the opportunity to showcase all our hard work at the Dance NZ Made Interschool competition.”*

- Ada and Lulu

We are so lucky to have Myah, one of the world’s best dance teachers, at our kura.



### What’s new for teaching

We are all learners and Teina Rohe Kaiako (Junior Teachers) are training in the Better Start Literacy Approach (BSLA) for teaching reading.

They have been working their way through the assessment process and are very excited about moving into the teaching of the programme.

We are always finding new ways to delivery the best education for our ākonga. The

If you are interested in finding out more about BSLA go to [betterstartapproach.com](http://betterstartapproach.com)





## Whānau Communication

Mt Cook School uses HERO, as our Student Management System (SMS). HERO holds all our enrolment information, student records, learning data and assessment information. HERO also allows us to connect to our whānau.

We can text you about absenteeism and also email you pānui about whats happening at Kura.

To make our community easier we would like all our whānau to use the HERO App.

To set up HERO as a parent for the first time:

**Download the HERO by LINC-ED app from the app store and follow the step by step instructions.**

**Alternatively, open your browser and enter [app.linc-ed.com](http://app.linc-ed.com)**

If you are having trouble please call into the office and we will help you.



### Maths Week 12th -16th August

We teach maths in many different ways and during this week we had a lot of fun.

After talking to our ākonga about maths at Mt Cook School Henry said that *"he loves solving tricky problems, long division and is looking forward to moving up in his Prime book next year."*

We use many different approaches so that our tamariki have fun when learning Maths.



### International Learning Support Awareness Day

On the 29th of August we celebrate Learning Support Awareness Day

We are an inclusive Kura that focuses on making sure that everyone feels that they BELONG.

Our Kura is a community that welcomes everyone and respects our similarities and differences.

We understand ourselves and honour our diversity.

We work with others, take responsibility, and share our uniqueness.



## Our Values Waewae Kai Kapua, Mana tamariki, Manaakitanga, Auahatanga

Congratulations to our Manaakitanga champions:

**Mia Poppy, Kadesh, Asser, Louis, Nico, Maia B, and Alastrina.**

Congratulations to our Mana Tamariki champions:

**Mason, Laith, Taiaho, Christel, Luca, Fox, Ivy, and Nina.**

Comgratulations to our Waewae Kai Kapua champions:

**Maxwell, Sacha, Anton, Emma and Edison.**

Comgratulations to our Auahatanga champions:

**Maxwell, Sacha, Zayna, Shwe and Aadhya.**



### Can you help us?

LOOSE PARTS - Auahatanga and Waewae Kai Kapua are alive and well at Mt Cook Kura

Our tamariki love using the loose parts to create amazing things during break times.

Recently the tamariki have made an Olympic podium for receiving gold, silver and bronze medals, slides and see-saws.

We are always looking to replenish our resources and are on the lookout for any unused down-pipes, guttering or long planks of wood.



### Reminders:

#### **PARKING**

Please, when picking up your tamariki remember NOT to park in Te Papa's driveway or illegally on Pu

This practice is extremely dangerous and frustrating for Te Papa staff who are trying to go about their business.

#### **LUNCHES**

Lunch orders are available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays through [EZ Lunch](#)

Tuesday: Sushi lunch  
Thursday: Vietnamese lunch  
Wednesday & Friday: Subway





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# EVERYONE WELCOME!

08 SEPT 2024 10AM-2PM

KILBIRNIE TENNIS CLUB  
14 CRAWFORD RD, KILBIRNIE

FREE EVENT



Come give tennis a go!  
All equipment provided.  
Prizes, giveaways, BBQ & more.

love   
tennis