# Mt Cook School Pānui

# TERM 4 WEEK 1 + 17th October 2024



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

Tēnā tātou katoa e te whānau,

Term 4 is always a very exciting and busy term. Our kaiako are planning lots of interesting learning opportunities for your tamariki.

We have already had a very successful Run Jump Throw event at Newtown Park. Our tamariki demonstrated determination, resilience, manaakitanga and mana tamariki. A number of our Year 4-8 students have qualified to compete at the Central Zone competition later this term.

Our Year 5-8 tamariki will be swimming for eight weeks this term, beginning in Week 2. Mt Cook School pays for this learning opportunity because we believe it is important for our tamariki to learn how to be safe around water. We pay per child so please <u>urgently</u> let your child's teacher know if there is a reason your child is **not** swimming.

We have also been busy working with our Ministry of Education team to get a few property projects off the ground. Project 1 is the replacement of the veranda around all the junior classrooms. During this time, access to classrooms may take a different route so please watch out for the fenced off

**Project 2** is the replacement of the access way from our top court to the bottom court. We are replacing the broken ramp with amazing new decking and stairs.

**Project 3** is refurbishing the old principal's office into an awesome sensory space for our tamariki.

During Term 4 we will be showcasing and celebrating all the mahi our tamariki and kaiako have been working on. We have planned our annual Community Arts Festival and we are bringing back our inner-city schools Cultural Exchange afternoon. These dates and more are shared on the next page.

Enjoy this fortnight's pānui!

Adrianne McAllister











### IMPORTANT DATES IN TERM FOUR

#### Week One: 14th - 18th October

Monday: Term 4 begins Tuesday: Run, Jump & Throw Festival at Newtown Park

#### Week Two: 21st - 25th October

Monday: Swimming for Year 7 & 8
Wednesday: School Disco
Wednesday: Interschool EPRO8 Year 7 & 8
Thursday: Interschool EPRO8 Year 5 & 6
Thursday: Swimming for Year 5 & 6
Friday: Teacher Only Day - no school for tamariki

#### Week Three: 28th - 1st November

Monday: Labour Day - School Closed Tuesday: CZ Athletics Newtown Park Thursday: Swimming for Year 5 & 6 Sunday: Bunnings Senior Camp Fundraising BBQ

#### Week Four: 4th - 8th November

Monday: Swimming for Year 7 & 8
Tuesday: CZ Athletics postponement Newtown Park
Wednesday: Padder Tennis for Year 4 & 8
Thursday: Swimming Year 5 & 6
Thursday: Year 7 Immunisations

#### Week Five: 11th - 15th November

Monday: Swimming for Year 7&8 Thursday: Swimming for Year 5&6 Friday: WHS Year 8 transition visit

#### Week Six: 18th - 22nd November

Monday: Swimming for Year 7&8 Tuesday: IZ Athletics Newtown Park Wednesday: Cultural Exchange 1pm @ Mt Cook School

### Thursday: Swimming for Year 5&6

Week Seven: 25th - 29th November Monday: Swimming for Year 7 & 8 Tuesday: Regional Athletics Thursday: Swimming for Year 5 & 6

#### Week Eight: 2nd - 6th December

Monday Swimming for Year 7 & 8 Thursday: Swimming for Year 5 & 6 Thursday: Community Arts Festival 5pm - 6.30pm

#### Week Nine 9th - 13th December

Thursday: Y8 Leavers Evening

#### Week Ten 16th - 13th December

Tuesday: Fun Day Thursday: Last day, school finishes 2pm







# Building communities where we understand ourselves, honor diversity and our uniqueness.

As you are aware, MCS is a super diverse innercity kura. We are diverse in our ethnic makeup, having 38 different nationalities represented amongst our community. 60% of our tamariki are English as a Second Language learners with many of our whānau new migrants to Aotearoa. 25% of our roll are tamariki Māori who have iwi affiliations across the motu.

Each tamariki and their whānau bring with them their world views, experiences, whakapapa, and histories. And at Mt Cook School we come together, as a community!

We are always looking for new and interesting ways to connect our communities with each other and with our learning.

In Week 8, on the 5th December, Mt Cook School is holding its annual Community Arts Festival.

This is an important event which brings our school communities together.

It is a great opportunity for our different community groups to share their delicious cultural foods and raise money for our Tuakana camp.

Over the next few weeks we will be asking for people to support this event by offering to cook food from their culture to sell on the evening. The school can pay for all ingredients and all serving ware costs. We just need your expertise and passion!

## 2024 - 2025 Enrolments

Mt Cook School is constantly growing; last term our roll reached 291 tamariki. If you know of new whānau planning to come to Mt Cook School for 2024 or 2025, please let us know asap or ask them to contact Briar in the office. This will help us with our planning.



## **Every Day Counts**

Well done everyone for <u>prioritising</u> attendance. MCS know that all our tamariki need to be at school to learn. We also know that in order to learn our tamariki need to be 100% well.

If your tamariki are away due to illness please contact Briar in the office. It is very important that you let the school know why your tamariki are not at school.

Tamariki can be away from school for a number of reasons and at Mt Cook School we can offer different supports to help with many of these reasons so please contact Kate, Marije or Adrianne to access these supports.





# Delivering Equity so that our community reaches their full potential.

Our Values celebrate our diverse community and focus on us delivering equity to all our kura community.

Waewae Kai Kapua, recognises the resilience of our refugee community. Manaakitanga talks about the way we rally around our community members when they need an extra hand. Auahatanga, celebrates the strength and determination of our community with high and complex needs. Mana Tamariki ensures that we recognise the wonderful range of world views, beliefs, strengths and needs that make up Mt Cook School.

Our school vision ties together our rich diverse context; we are a community where belonging, curiosity and creativity matters.

At Mt Cook School we work hard to ensure that all our tamariki reach their full potential by making sure that learning is accessible, and fun.

At home you can also help by regularly reading to your tamariki and talking to them about their learning.

Together we are a community where belonging, curiosity and creativity matters.

# **Healthy Lunches**

Mt Cook School is a water only kura, please ensure that your tamariki has a named water bottle.

We love seeing all the delicious types of lunches that our tamariki bring to school with them.

Recently we have noticed that some lunchboxes are full of sugar. We welcome little treats but these sugary treats should be limited.



# Plenty of sleep

To help growing tamariki get ready to learn they need plenty of sleep.

Tamariki aged 5-13 years need 9-11 hours of sleep each night to help their body and brain develop. Encourage exercise during the day and create a routine of going to bed at the same time each evening.







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

Congratulations to our Term 3 Manaakitanga champions:

Dontay, Hawakiin, Ahmed, Aurelia, Baokun, Olivia-Jay, Mon Myat, Anna, Shuyi, Aadhya and Prajyot.

Congratulations to our Term 3 Waewae Kai Kapua champions:

Whitney, Maia G, Roscoe P-C, Logan, Seita, Evania, Bea, Noah E, Zaenab, Asser and Momo.

Congratulations to our Term 3 Mana Tamariki champions:

Arya, Mohamud, Blake, Aditya, Sophie, Summer, Adriu, Eva, Mason, Tabitha and Taswika.

Congratulations to our Term 3 Auahatanga champions:

An L, Pepper, Tilda, Bonnie, Aroha, Toby, Rishi Cia, Sarah, Ryan and Shwe.



# Can you help us?

#### **Whittaker's Chocolate Sales**

We have quite a few extra boxes of Whittaker's Chocolate Slabs which our tamariki have been selling to raise money for senior camp next year. If you could take a box (36 slabs) to sell at your workplace could you get in touch with Kate - kashby@mtcook.school.nz



### Reminders:

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

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

Many cars have been ticketed and due to the behaviours not changing this will continue so please don't park in these spaces.









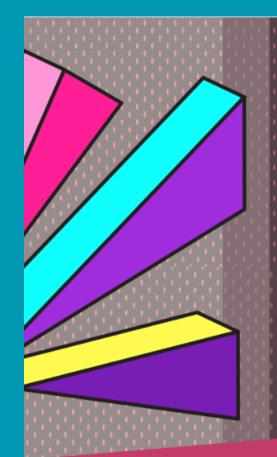












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WEDNESDAY 23 OCT

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YEAR 0-4 5.30PM TO 6.30PM

> YEAR 5-8 6.45PM TO 8.15

