



Better Every Single Time

TERM 1 WEEK 4: Friday 23 February 2024

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kamusta, Salam, Bula, Namaste,

As-salamu alaikum We hope you've enjoyed the fabulous weather! We've had a learning-full week! ❤️ Super proud of our staff working together to advance your child's learning. I've really enjoyed seeing students getting into their music and art lessons. Impressed with students' energy and skill development in PE/sports. The Y7/8s enjoyed their 'Plant the Seed' workshop, highlighting some pretty cool career options. Well done seniors, for giving new things a go!

Welcome! To new students and parents/whānau. We're confident that your children will launch into and enjoy a successful learning journey.

Parent/Whānau Teacher Meetings: next Tuesday 27 February @ 1:30 pm and Wednesday 28 February @ 3:15 pm. Please see this week's notice for the online booking details, or call the Office. This is a time for you to share your child's needs, aspirations as well as talk about his/her learning goals. The power of the **family-student-school partnership** enables the best for your child. Look forward to seeing you!

Lots of learning! We're focussing on your child's *writing skills* and how to strengthen their abilities. Super proud to see lots of 'hot' teacher practice that supports your child's goal setting and advances their learning. We also continue with our *te reo Māori (Te Puna Reo)*. Super proud of everyone learning new greetings, Karakia (affirmations), waiata (songs), pepeha (identity, introductions) and ngā kupu (words). Last week we launched some *marvellous maths* PLD with our *TLF Collaborative Cluster* and Rob Proffitt-White. I commend our Leaders' reflections and the opportunities they see for complementing their Teams' and students' maths strengths. Our PLD links to the Strategic and Annual Goals for enhancing student voice, cultural connections and strengthening teachers' **BEST** practice in vocab development/reading/writing.

Important School information: Please see page 2. **Attendance:** thank you for ensuring your child is attending each day and being on time for learning (before 8:55 am). Every minute at School counts. **Uniform:** thank you for ensuring your child is only in correct Viscount School uniform, and the hat in Term 1 and 4.

Let's work together to be **Better Every Single Time**, enabling our students to **SOAR** to new heights! I look forward to meeting you. Take care, kia pai tō rā whakatā ☀️

Fa'afetai tele lava 🌸
Dr Deanna Johnston
Principal



IMPORTANT SCHOOL NOTICES & REMINDERS ☺

See previous Newsletters emailed to you and on our website.

Road Safety: there are road improvements happening outside the School in the next few weeks. For the safety of all, there is no drop off inside the School gate. Please remember to safely use Manukau Rovers car parks and/or surrounding streets. Thank you for your co-operation ☺



2024 Term 1: Thursday/Rāpare 1 February to Friday/Rāmere 12 April
Board Meetings: Twice a Term, Mondays @ 5:30 pm; 26 Feb & 25 March

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:

- 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

Enrolments:

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

Uniform, stationery & devices:

- Viscount School uniform is compulsory. Uniforms are no longer ordered at the Office. Make an online order here: <https://www.uniformhub.co.nz/collections/viscount-school> We supply stationery for your child
- **No student cell phones at School**

Food/Drink/Free healthy lunches:

- Free lunch. 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

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

Breakfast Club:

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

Notices, Newsletters:

- Emailed to parents/caregivers Friday fortnightly
- Also posted on our School website www.viscount.school.nz (our main online communication)





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MEET THE TEACHER HUI

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Our *Meet the Teacher* will be held on:

- Tuesday 27 February @ 1:30pm - 5:30pm and
- Wednesday 28 February @ 3:15pm - 5:30pm.

Whānau please book a 10 minute time on one of these days.

School closes earlier on Tuesday 27 February at 1pm.

If your child does not walk home, please ensure they are collected at this time.

We are using an **online booking system**. **Please** book a time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss your child's needs, goals and any other important information you think will help your child do and be the BEST that they can be.

1. Log on to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz
2. Click on the 'Make a Booking' box.
3. Type the code **nvan2** then select 'Go'.
4. Follow the prompts to enter your email address, full name and how many students you are booking for and their name(s). Select 'Go'
5. Choose the teacher(s) you wish to see.
6. Select the time(s).

When you have finished, your interview timetable will be emailed to you. You can return to the site and enter the event code **nvan2** again to change or cancel your interviews.

If you do not have easy access to the Internet, you can contact the Office to book an interview (ph 275 4699).

Ngā mihi nui

Jan Sila'ila'i
Deputy Principal