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NEWSLETTER TERM 2 WEEK 5: Friday 30 May 2025

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia ōrana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Mālō nī, Kamusta, Bula Vinaka, Namaste, Salam, As-salamu alaikum, Guten tag! **VAIASO O LE GAGANA SAMOA! Samoan Language & Culture**



Week: This year's theme is "la malu lou sā.

Folau i lagimā. A well-grounded self, is a successful self". We're super excited about

next week, learning about Samoan language and culture! Teachers and students are practising items for **School Assembly Friday 6 June 10:15 am.**

Students wear their cultural clothing Aso Faraile. AFIO MAI, AFIO MAI !



What's a rational number? Following our TLF maths PLD, the teachers continue to work with the new Maths/Statistics Curriculum. Students have been learning about fractions, decimals, percentages, a little bit about money (financial literacy), and how to represent and explain their answers.



Mighty mathematicians: Ka pai Y7/8 Team who participated in the 2nd SAMC South Auckland Maths Competition yesterday. Mr Leuluai tells us that ākonga are improving speed and accuracy of recall. Persevere through the challenge of tough competition! We look forward to your next SAMC session!

H.E.R.O



Here Every-day Ready Ontime Tino pai to the students who've achieved 90+% attendance so far this Term! Ka rawe to classes with Top Day Attendance acknowledged each morning ❤️ In the



lead for **TOP TERM ATTENDANCE so far: 1st ROOM 6, 2nd ROOM 8 and 3rd ROOM 3.**

REMEMBER ALL STUDENTS need to attend school unless they are very unwell or have a justified reason e.g., Doctor's appointment. **Let's have all students in the 90+% regular attendance again!**



REMINDER: KING'S BIRTHDAY NEXT MONDAY 2 JUNE
REMINDER: TEACHER ONLY DAY NEXT TUESDAY 3 JUNE



Reflecting on individual and collective pride in identity, I close with this Samoan alagaupu (proverb): **E mame le tava'e i ona fulu** (Proud of who we are and where we're from). Manuia le soifua 🍌 Have a peaceful weekend 🌸

Fa'afetai tele lava
Dr Deanna Johnston
Principal – Pule o le Aoga



Data detectives in the making!

Sorting, counting, and graphing our way through Year 1 statistics!



Topic: Statistics

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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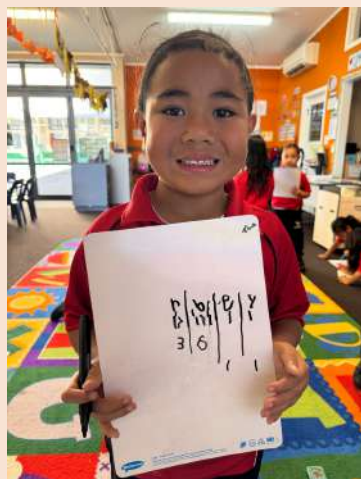
12 ākonga were asked to choose their favourite colour from these choices.
What could the data display look like?
(e.g. pictograph, bar graph, tally chart)

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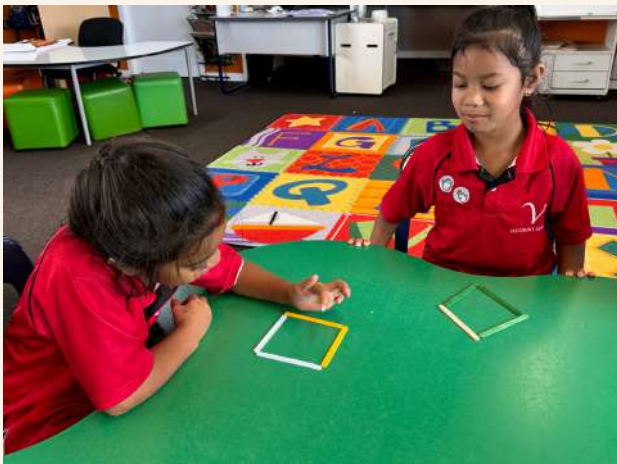
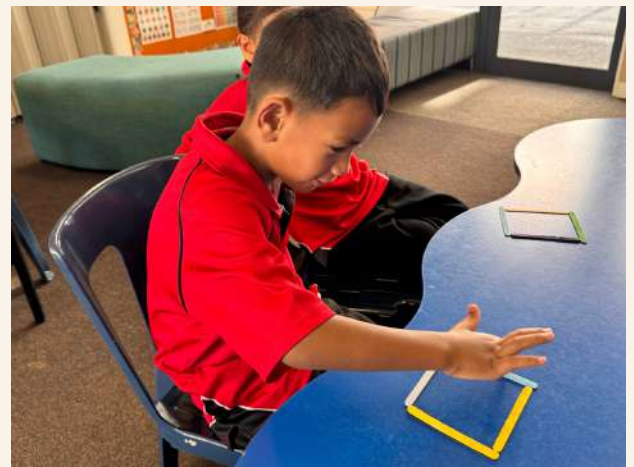
Enabling
Use a smaller number of ākonga (6) and/or choices of colour

Extending
Justify your reasoning for the choices
Increase the number of ākonga e.g. 24 and/or number of colour choices

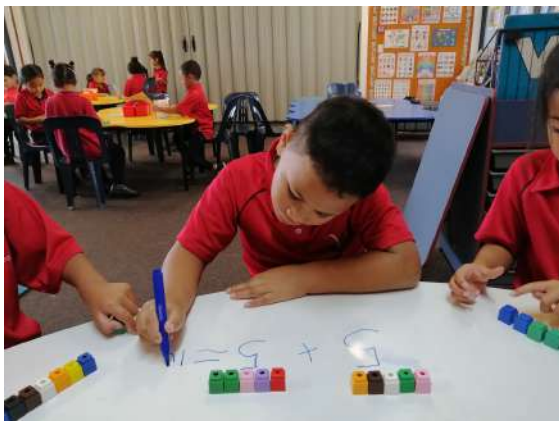
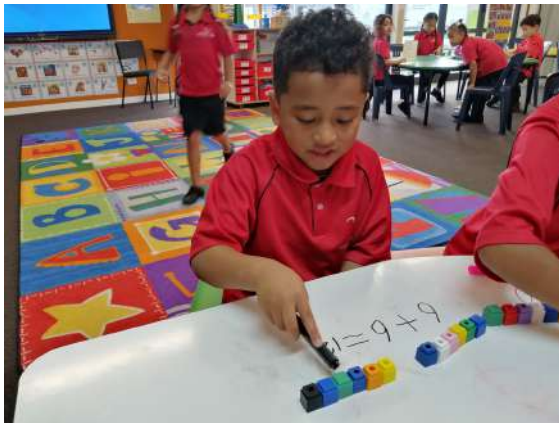
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Learning Geometry with sticks



We are learning half of a number.



TERM TWO 2025: Monday 28 April – Friday 27 June

TEACHER ONLY DAY: Tuesday 3 June, so the Teachers can complete their MoE new Curriculum professional development. Thank you parents/whānau 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
- Safely walk on the paths and use the pedestrian crossing

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 ☺



Food/Drink/Free healthy lunches:



- Free lunch is available. Any dietary needs/changes, please contact the Office. We provide free fruit daily. **If packing your child's own food, please pack healthy foods, not high sugar foods**
- 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



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 can wear the free black jacket or the uniform jacket. 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)**

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 2 Policies 😊**



Viscount Breakfast Club:

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

Enrolments:

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

Wheels – bikes, scooters:

- Students are responsible for their own bike/scooter. Students must wear helmets and are responsible for securing their own bike/scooter. Wheels must be walked in School grounds. See the DP for information about safety routines

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](#))

