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NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 6: Friday 22 August 2025



Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orāna, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Mālō nī, Kamusta, Bula Vinaka, Namaste, Salam, As-salamu alaikum, Guten tag! Welcome, nau mai, haere mai! To our new students and parents/whaanau!

Tongan Language Week:

Mālō e lelei! Students and staff have enjoyed sharing their cultural heritage, and practising Tongan language greetings, how to say your name, days of the week, months of the year, and some key history/geography stories. **Mālō 'aupito** to Miss Latu and her Team of wonder whizzes for adorning our staffroom, Hall, and Hui spaces with family taonga. **Mālō 'aupito** faiako and LAs for talented teaching of our students for their Assembly items. Super proud of our students who showed confident stage discipline, and joyful performance. **Mālō 'aupito** parents/kāinga for supporting with such beautiful cultural clothing, and body adornments – we could see you enjoyed the students' performances as much as we did too!



!!NEW UNIFORM TOPS!! Thank you parents/whaanau for your positive feedback and a fabulous first turn-out for **pre-orders of the new blue polo top**. **NB>**The black shorts/pants have not changed. Paid items will be sent to the address you provided the supplier. You can still visit the Shop to purchase the polo. Any queries, please call the supplier, or if School related, please let us know (see our Website) 😊

Fostering aspiration, fuelling inspiration: Students continue with their Theme studies.

The Junior Team enjoyed their visit from the Fire service, practising some safety skills, and learning about people who serve our community. The Y7/8s look forward to their Sports EOTC trip next week at Camp Adair, putting some inter-school competitive aspirations into play!



Here Everyday Ready Ontime: Beautiful weather this week and our School-Wide attendance is higher than last week. Unless very unwell, let's have all

students ATTEND to ACHIEVE & SUCCEED! **TINO PAI ROOM 5** ❤️ **winning TOP CLASS WEEK 6 ATTENDANCE!** Enjoy your pizzas!

New School Build update: Stage 1 foundations have been laid successfully – fascinating to see the massive metal plates and bolts. The big concrete pour went well, yay to good weather!



Reflecting on collective goals and strength in unity, I close with this Tongan proverb: **Takanga 'enau fohe** (row at the same time, go in the same direction) 😊 **Mālō 'aupito**, have a peaceful weekend.



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



TERM THREE 2025: Monday 14 July – Friday 19 September

Y5/6 Puberty Info Hui: Tues 29 July 6pm Teacher Only Day – MoE PLD #2: NO SCHOOL Fri 12 Sept

New Board Call For Nominations: Fri 18 July Nominations Close: 12 noon, Wed 6 August

Voting Papers Issued (online or by post): Wed 13 Aug Election Day: Wed 10 Sept, closes 4pm

Declaration of Results: Tuesday 16 Sept New Board takes Office: Wed 17 Sept (first meeting 5 pm)

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

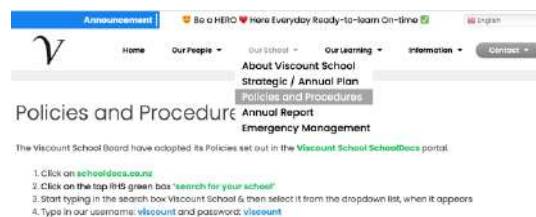


Uniform, stationery & devices:

- 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 black shoes – **NO crocs** or 'rolling ball' shoes (these are unsafe). The fleece full zip is compulsory for Term 2 and 3. Students can wear the free black jacket or the uniform jacket (ask at Office). 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 3 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](#))

