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NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 4: Friday 31 October 2025

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orāna, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Mālō nī, Kamusta, Bula Vinaka, Namaste, Salam! Welcome to Term 4! Nau mai, haere mai, new students and parents/whaanau! **MĀLŌ NI!** With Whanaungatanga in heart and mind, we've enjoyed Tokelau language Week! We look forward to School Assembly Friday 14 November where some of our students will be performing Tokelau items. See you in a few weeks, to celebrate!



We've noticed an improvement in student arrival time at School since the start of the Term! Our MoE Term 3 Attendance Report also shows a significant improvement for arrival time ✅ Thank you for understanding the importance of your child arriving before class begins, as this helps all students start the day smoothly, and keep essential learning routines on track ❤️ Let's have all aakonga ATTEND, ACHIEVE, SUCCEED! **Here Every day Ready Ontime** 🌟

H.E.R.O



Beatz of Maangere: Super proud to watch our Y4-6 Cultural Choir perform at last Friday's Cluster event. Big thanks to Mr Sello for investing in our aakonga. With Kairangi in mind, the encouragement and consistent routines ensured our students maintained stage discipline and perform with courage! Thank you parents/whaanau for joining us too 😊



Y4-8 School Athletics: Join us next Friday 7 November at Williams' Park fields (please park at Rovers). Students have been practising their Whaanau Manu chants for the day's competition! Look forward to seeing parents/whaanau!

Board Updates:

- Viscount School Strategic Plan Refresh:** Congratulations to our 3 whaanau who've each won 1 of the \$200 food vouchers! At next Monday's Board Hui, we'll begin reflecting on the feedback in preparation for reviewing parts of our 2026 Annual Plan Goals.
- Property:** new e-gates have been installed for student safety reasons. Thank you for dropping off in the Rovers' carpark, using the pedestrian paths into our School, and closing the pedestrian gates. However, we're still seeing some cars stopping at the gate entrances or doing U-turns into other traffic! This is dangerous for students, staff and drivers. Please follow the Board's safety policies/school procedures.



Teacher Appreciation Day: We especially acknowledged our ka rawe kaiako on Wednesday ❤️ We're very fortunate to have a superb crew who are making a daily difference with our aakonga. Fa'afetai tele lava to our VS teachers! We love working with you ❤️ Reflecting on collective contributions that better our students' education, I close with this whakataukii: **Tohaina ō painga ki te ao** (share your talents and skills for a better world) 🌍 Kia pai te raa whakataa, have a peaceful weekend.

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



TERM FOUR 2025: Monday 6 October – Friday 12 December

Board Meetings: Monday 3 November & Monday 1 December @ 5 pm

Y7-8 Touch Rugby: Tuesday 4 November

Y4-8 VS Athletics: Friday 7 November @ Williams' Park fields; **Interschool Y7-8 Athletics:** Tuesday 18 November

Y7-8 MOTAT Trip: Monday 24, Tuesday 25 November

School Awards Ceremonies: Wednesday 10 December (during the day); Y7/8 Graduation, Dine/Dance @ 5pm

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

- Students arrive by 8:30 am. School starts 9 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 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 upon enrolment
- **No student cell phones at School. It is illegal (as is smoking and vaping onsite)**

Enrolments:

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

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 4 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

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](#))

