

NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 7: Friday 4 September 2026

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orāna, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Mālō nī, Kamusta, Bula Vinaka, Namaste, Salam! **Welcome new students and parents/whaanau!**



Learning environment
Yesterday, before dawn, the Viscount Board, teachers, Support Staff and I, gathered for our

Whakatuuwheratanga led by mana whenua of Te Ahiwaru. Ngaa mihi nui Whaea Davika Wilson (Kaikaranga), Matua Tepe'a (Kaikaranga), and Ngaati Tahinga (Kaikaranga) who led the blessing of our first stage of new learning spaces. It was a very beautiful and reverent kaupapa, focussed on our students, and ongoing affirmative teaching/learning experiences. You'll recall that Ngaati Tahinga led our two previous kaupapa. Mrs Ash and the Middle Team are super excited about the move! Fa'afetai tele lava to our Viscount School Board who continue to provide strong governance. Thank you parents/whaanau for your patience and understanding around the 'building' site, as the Board and I continue to work on our Hall and next new classroom projects.

Victorious voices! Mr Sello (R26 Teacher/Conductor) and the Viscount Choir are super excited about their performance next Tuesday 8 September at the [Kids Sing Festival](#) in the Town Hall! They've been practising LOTS and they sound angelic! HUGE THANKS Mr Sello for your Kairangi high expectations and consistent efforts to bring the Choir to an exemplary standard!



"Every Moment Matters" for your child's future 🌟📅 Thank you for contacting the Office before 9am when your child is away sick. Woohoo, tino pai tamariki, we've been in the 90% school wide day attendance! Let's have all students arriving by 8:30am AND attending REGULARLY 📅 Let's soar, Viscount!! Reflecting on how we nurture and build on our students' learning capabilities, I close with this whakataukii: "He aonga ake te raa, he aonga ake te raa" (With each new day, comes new enlightenment) 🌱 Kia pai te raa whakataa, have a peaceful weekend 🌸

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

TERM THREE 2026: Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September

TERM THREE BOARD MEETINGS: Monday 17 August & 14 September @ 5:30 pm

Viscount Choir performance at Kids Sing Festival (Town Hall): Tuesday 8 September

Māori Language School Assembly: Friday 18 September

IMPORTANT SCHOOL NOTICES & REMINDERS ☺ See previous Newsletters emailed to you and on our website.

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 walk across 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 cones, traffic flow, exits and staff on duty. **NO stopping or parking at the cones**
- For everyone's safety, please do not park on yellow lines 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/MoE healthy lunches:

- 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 and sugary foods
- If packing your child's own food, consider using containers to reduce waste
- MoE lunch and fruit provided daily. Any needs/changes, please call the Office
- **Water only (no fizzy or juice)** – students bring a bottle to fill with water each day
- **NO sweets, NO gum.** We do not have class parties/party food (health/allergy reasons)



Uniform, stationery & devices:

- Viscount School uniform is compulsory. Please purchase the blue collar top, with the black shorts or skort. The blue hat is compulsory for all students Term 1 & 4. Black sandals Term 1 & 4 or black shoes – **NO crocs** or 'rolling ball' shoes (these are unsafe). The new fleece full zip is compulsory for Term 2 and 3. Students can wear our supplied free black jacket (ask at the Office), to/from school, outside, during Term 2 & 3. Black trousers optional, only worn in Term 2 & 3. **NO tights worn as pants**
- To buy uniform, please visit our new supplier, [NZ Uniforms \(Unit 5, 20 Lambie Dr. Manukau\)](#) shop or order online. Ask at their info desk for orders/your needs
- We supply free stationery for your child upon enrolment
- **NO student cell phones at School, it is illegal (as is smoking and vaping onsite)**

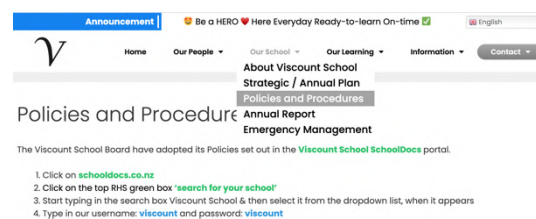


Enrolments:

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

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 2026 Policies ☺**



Viscount Breakfast Club:

- Some social fun for tamariki as they enjoy some free healthy kai in Room 7 at 8:30 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 and expectations for bringing any wheels to School

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](#))

