



Term 2 Newsletter

Week 9

1st July 2021

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lati ahu, Bula, Namaste, Ni hao and Hello to everyone

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The term is drawing to a close and I think everyone is looking forward to a well-earned rest. We hope to see the Auckland Council finish their Safe streets project at this time. Please let us know what you think about the work they have already done. We are sending them comments each week so they can make changes and we would happily include any of your comments (No names required).

We hope you like the planter box art work from our students and a few staff. One of our planter boxes is painted with a scene of Te Pane o Mataoho (Mangere mountain) with the Matariki stars shining. It is lovely weather to see the star constellation right now and one of the 9 stars in the Matariki star cluster is Hiwa-i-te-rangi. It is known as the 'wishing star'. This star has a connection to our hopes, dreams and aspirations for the year ahead. Happy wishes everyone.

Shirley Hardcastle

KEY DATES

TERM 2

Mon 28th Jun-Fri 9th Jul
Matariki

Fri 9th July
Reports home
Term 2 ends - -3pm

Year 7/8 Samoan Language Competition – Friday 18th June

We were delighted to be able to host this event for Auckland schools. After discussions with the Auckland Principal group organising the event, it was agreed this would be an online event. Children entering the competition sent in a video of themselves and the judges watched the videos at our school to decide on first, second and third place.

Viscount place winners

Yr 7 – Petesa Mati’a, 7th place.

Yr 8 – Joy loelu, 4th place
Salvation Reupena, 5th place

Special thanks to Melissa and Leigh for organising this event. Next year, all going well with Covid-19, we are expecting the competition will be an event where everyone can attend- instead of having to do the speeches online.

TERM 3

Mon 26th July
Term 3 starts - 9am
5.30pm: BOT meeting

Fri 30th July
(note change of date)
Monday 2nd August
Teacher only day
9am-6pm: Parent
student conferences

Mon 2nd Aug-Fri 6th Aug
COOK ISLAND
LANGUAGE WEEK

Tues 10th Aug
Y7/8 girls Netball

Tues 17th Aug
Y7/8 boys Netball

Booking Parent – Teacher- Student Interviews

These conferences will be held on **Monday 2nd August** from **9am-6pm**. This day will be a **Teacher Only day**. Your children can come to the school on this day when they have their conference. You can book your interview from next Monday and there will be information about this coming home with your child’s report – coming home on Thursday 8th July.

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz - Make a booking - **Code**

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Holiday Work

In the holidays there will be painters on site painting two classrooms. There will also be people on site washing the outside of the school and others installing CCTV. We are having the hall kitchen and toilets upgraded at present and we hope this will be finished by the holidays, but there may be a few days in the holidays needed to finish this work.

2021

Term 3
26th Jul- 1st Oct

Term 4
18th Oct- 14th Dec

Mathletics

For the first time, 6 teams of students took part in this competition between to local schools at Mangere College. We came close to a third place so now we know a bit more about what to do we will be right up there. Well done to our teams.

Y7/8 Survey feedback

Thanks to everyone for submitting your thoughts. I have enclosed the results here. If anyone has a contrary view, please feel free to send that to admin@viscount.school.nz or send it in writing (no name needed)

Y7/8 survey

Total forms submitted

132

Total number of families in the school

356

Reasons	No of times mentioned	SAMPLE COMMENTS
Logistics	63	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Easier to take all children to one place – less driving• Saves time• Time to manage two different schools – enrolment, uniform, events on different days• Multiple children at different schools is too hard to manage• Extra travelling to and from schools – easier at one school• 5 moko – difficult to manage two schools• Easier to collect them after work• One drop off for all• Routine• Start and finish in same school• So my moko can stay together• I like being able to keep them together in one school• We have to drop off and collect by car while our house is being rebuilt – much easier to do one pick up and drop off• Distance to walk to an Intermediate – cant afford a bike
Safety	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Older children walk younger to school – no one gets lost• Close to home so I can trust it is safe for my child to walk• Can walk home together• I don't have a car so we have to walk• Not safe to walk alone
Older students as role models	19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teina/Tukana learning for learning and as role models• Care for siblings Nephews keep an eye out – I am more relaxed• Love learning together
Finance – having to buy another uniform/ travel cost	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poverty in this area – a new uniform will make this worse• Uniforms, lunch stationery• Extra petrol costs
Academically beneficial	19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awesome teachers (4)• Family oriented• Welcoming receptionist• Keeping same teacher for two years works well

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My child is thriving academically • Chance to take part in sports teams is greater than in a big Intermediate • Lot of opportunities here
Friendly children	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relationships are formed and would be disrupted by change
I attended viscount – family tradition	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Older siblings have done well at high school after attending until Y8 at Viscount
Builds confidence – students feel more comfortable staying in a familiar environment	32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viscount will always be better with Y1-8 • Transitions are stressful • The school feels like my home • The school provides good preparation for High school • Transition for younger sibling easier with older child here • Feedback from older siblings at high school now – stability, consistency and reassurance • Predictability and security important in this area particularly with other things in a child's life creating less stability (e.g. poverty and family breakdown) • My younger and older children want to be together • Disabled child – takes time to feel confident in one environment – not want to change it too often • Easy transition • Puberty changes are enough without changing schools as well • Importance of consistency in student's lives – security/ building relationships • Support networks develop over time
Why change	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y1-8 is best for our community • Viscount always y1-8 and better- why change it now? • IF ITS NOT BROKEN DON'T FIX IT • Great the way it is • School is well known for sports and academic success • Viscount has a great reputation • We have had enough change – leave the school alone • May be all schools should be Y1-8 • Unnecessary- interruption to learning and relationships • This is where my children made their memories • Gives me choice • Change is stressful and impacts my mental wellbeing • Improves child's stability • Home school partnership stronger – over longer time • Have always admired Viscount for keeping Y1-8 • Strong community value – grounded and stable environment • Works well and should NOT be changed

YEAR LEVEL OF STUDENTS								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	No chn at school
17	30	25	31	26	22	42	28	9

Viscount app

We currently have 212 users...come join us. It is free.



This app works on Android and Apple devices and is an easy way to get your newsletter or any important alerts. You can also send absence notices through this app.

<https://viscountschool.apps.school.nz/install/>

SKIDS

Before School Care 7:30am to 8 :30am
After School Care from 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday.



We offer fun and exciting activities daily.

WINZ Subsidies are available for working parents or if you are on a sickness benefit or studying. Solo parents who are working /Studying can qualify. WINZ terms and conditions will apply.

Please call Ferdilin on 0210356547 for more information.

Holiday Programme

skids
Safe Kids In Daily Supervision
Viscount Primary School
65 Viscount street, Managere, AKL

<p>Game of Games</p> <p>Mon 12 Jul</p> <p>GAME OF GAMES</p> <p>Play to win & enjoy the fun. Test your skills and knowledge and be into compete with your friends. A day of fun.</p>	<p>Little Chefs</p> <p>Tue 13 Jul</p> <p>HOPPY LITTLE CHEFS</p> <p>Get ready to learn some cool cooking skills and bake yummy delights to share with your friends today.</p>	<p>Challenge Day</p> <p>Wed 14 Jul</p> <p>Challenge Day</p> <p>Are you up to the challenge as there are lots of team & individual challenging activities in store.</p>	<p>Movies</p> <p>Thu 15 Jul</p> <p>MOVIES</p> <p>Grab your popcorn and settle into your seats for another fantastic movie.</p>	<p>Winter Wonderland</p> <p>Fri 16 Jul</p> <p>WINTER WONDERLAND</p> <p>Lets chill today and enjoy making winter crafts. Hot chocolate for everyone today.</p>
<p>Manic Monday</p> <p>Mon 19 Jul</p> <p>MANIC MONDAY</p> <p>Today is all about the letter M, all games & activities will be starting with the letter M.</p>	<p>Boot Camp</p> <p>Tue 20 Jul</p> <p>BOOT CAMP</p> <p>Are you ready for a day of team exercises to stay fit. Later join in the music and dance fitness workout.</p>	<p>Trip to the Museum</p> <p>Wed 21 Jul</p> <p>AUCKLAND MUSEUM</p> <p>We are off to the Museum to explore & gain some knowledge. Later enjoy more fun and games.</p>	<p>Amazing Race</p> <p>Thu 22 Jul</p> <p>AMAZING RACE</p> <p>Are you ready? let the amazing race begin in 3, 2, 1, Go!!!</p>	<p>Backyard Picnic</p> <p>Fri 23 Jul</p> <p>There will be dance, music, games, yummy picnic food and treats for all.</p>

All bookings are confirmed once payments received bank ANZ 06-0185-0370613-00. No refund/swap/cancellations once bookings are confirmed. Winz forms to be filled prior, advance payment required.
email purity@skids.co.nz or book online skids.aimy.co.nz or txt 0211500912 for query

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www.mangere.school.nz/enrolments



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De La Salle College provides a Catholic education to 1000 boys from Years 7 to Year 13, founded on the values and teachings of our Founder, St John Baptiste De La Salle.

At De La Salle College we create men of Faith, Service, Community and Excellence.

Please go to our College website to download and print an enrolment pack or come into our College Office to pick one up.

Website Link: <https://www.delasalle.school.nz/enrolment-form/>

Any further queries please email: enrolments@delasalle.school.nz

or call our Enrolment Officer on 276 4319 ext 816

ENROLMENTS CLOSE 13TH AUGUST 2021



ST PAUL'S COLLEGE

183 Richmond Road, Ponsonby

Catholic School for Boys Years 7 – 13

2022 ENROLMENT UPDATE

Spaces available for Year 7 and 9

Limited enrolments at other levels

Enrolments close 4pm, Friday September 24th 2021

St Paul's College is a school that is in the business of educating young men in the Catholic tradition.

Its purpose is about achievements in the classroom, sports arena and music hall.

"Building Men of Courage since 1955"

www.stpaulscollege.co.nz