



Kereru Team Newsletter

Kia ora koutou, ngā mihi nui kia koutou katoa

A warm welcome back to PCS to our students, parents and school community.

Term 1 is set to be an exciting and busy term, packed full of learning and leadership opportunities for our students.

We are very excited to welcome our new cohort of Year 6 students for 2023. Year 6 is a very special year with students looking forward to acquiring new roles such as Student Council, Maori, Curriculum and Pasifika Council, and Office Owls, as well as participating in fundraising for the best part of Year 6 - Camp!

We would like your support in everyday healthy and waste-free lunches. Please ensure your child wears the correct uniform every day and all uniforms are clearly named. Hats are compulsory this term. Students are expected to be at school by 8.30 am but no later than 8.45 am so they have time to get organised for the day and don't miss out on the start of the day's programme. They are expected to complete home learning tasks every week. This enables students to take ownership of their own learning. Year 6 home learning mostly consists of Reading, Writing, Spelling and Maths facts which will be posted on Google Classroom every week by the classroom teacher. When using Chromebooks or other devices, teachers might set work for students that involves viewing video with sound. Children are allowed to bring their own personal headphones into school to use as part of their learning programme. Please make sure you name these headphones before they come to school.

Please don't hesitate to pop in for a chat, or reach out via Seesaw or email if there's anything we can do to best support your child's learning and achievement this year.

KEY DATES TO NOTE:

Week 1	Mon 6 Feb Tue 7 Feb	Waitangi Day observed- (NO SCHOOL) Module 1 Begins: Papatoetoe Tangata Pai Team newsletters and Newsletter 1 out
Week 2	Tue 14 Feb Thu 16 Feb Fri 17 Feb	Mihi Whakatau (10am) Renaissance School of Dance and Meet the Teacher evening (6pm) Room 32's assembly (2pm)
Week 3	Mon 20 Feb Thu 23 Feb	Orchestra begins and Board meeting (6pm) Renaissance School of Dance
Week 4	Tue 28 Feb Thu 2 Mar	Swimming Zones Renaissance School of Dance
Week 5	Thu 9 Mar Fri 10 Mar	Renaissance School of Dance SPCA You-niform Day and Newsletter 2 out
Week 6	Mon 13 Mar Tue 14 Mar Thu 16 Mar	Module 2 Begins: A Look Back In Time Playball/Cricket Zones Renaissance School of Dance
Week 7	Mon 20 Mar Thu 23 Mar	Board meeting (6pm) Renaissance School of Dance
Week 8	Thu 30 Mar	PCS Whānau Morning (9:00-10:30am) and Renaissance School of Dance
Week 9	Wed 5 Apr Thu 6 Apr Fri 7 Apr	House Winner's You-niform Day Year 6 Camp Fundraiser - You-niform Day, Renaissance School of Dance and Newsletter 3 out Good Friday (No School)

The Kereru Team:

Sarin Nand R32- Team Leader Tanya Bonniface R33 Julie Sila R34 Asha Joseph R35 Paul McAleer R39

Term 1 Learning Focus:

Reading: Prior knowledge, Making connections, Questioning, Summarising and Predicting.

Writing: Procedural Writing, Biographies and Autobiographies, Information Reports.

Maths: Number, Algebra, Statistics and Geometry

Inquiry: Module 1: Papatoetoe Tangata Pai, Module 2: "A Look Back In Time"

Health and PE: Personal Identity, Teamwork and Fair Play, Ball Skills.

School Values: Perseverance, Respect, Integrity, Manaakitanga and Excellence

Learner Dispositions: Collaborative, Courageous, Creative, Critical Thinkers and Curious