

# Panui/Newsletter

Number 3:

Rāmere/Friday 1 March/Poutū-te-rangi 2024

Dear Parents/Caregivers

*Tēnā koutou katoa, Namaste, Talofa lava, Konnichiwa, Ni hao, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Chao, Hello, Zdravstvuite, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Salam, Hola, Annyong haseyo, Hallo, Caio, Nei ho, Suosday, Ni sa bula, Kamusta, Bonjour, As-salaamu 'alaykum, Hola, Γεια σας (Yia sas).*

### Whakatauki o te wiki

Whakaoho - Motivation

Mauri tū, mauri ora.

### An active soul is a healthy soul.

Thank you to all who came to our school picnic evening on Wednesday 21 February. It was a great chance to connect with parents of children in your child's class as well as meet new families to our community. We were lucky with the weather. We hope you managed to catch up with some of our Board members (Ben Mills, Christa Robinson and Clare Little) who helped out on the BBQ.



### New Enrolments

We welcome the following new students and their families to our school community: Manuthi and Manugi Benthara Arachchige Don and Amelia Wallace in Room 1, Mia Wallace in Room 8, Brent Puguon and Jack Hoile in Room 9 and Joseph Puguon in Room 16.

### Names to Faces

We have numerous staff at Johnsonville School who support our students. I thought some names to faces may be helpful as you hear children talking about staff other than their teacher.

### Introducing Muka



Back Row (left to right): Diane Bloomfield (Y1/2), Logan Burton (Y3), Chloe Johnson (Y1/2)  
 Front Row (left to right): Megan Blackwell (Y0), Srey Bowron-Muth (Y1/2), Penny Wood (Y3), Michelle Tietjens (Y1/2), Misty Olney (Y1/2)

### Introducing Raranga



Back Row (left to right): Jo Wilson (Y6), Andrea Geluk (Y4/5), Darrel Greaney (Y4/5), Rosalie Anso (Y4/5)  
 Front Row (left to right): Angela Rongonui (Y6), Lyndall Pettigrew (Y4/5)



### Introducing Korowai



Left to Right: Jordyn Kiriona (Y1-6), Maz Webster (Y1-6)

### Better Start Literacy Approach

Thank you to the teachers of Muka who held an education evening on Monday on the Better Start Literacy Approach we are using at school and how parents can support their children at home. This was an informative evening and a chance to connect with teachers and families.

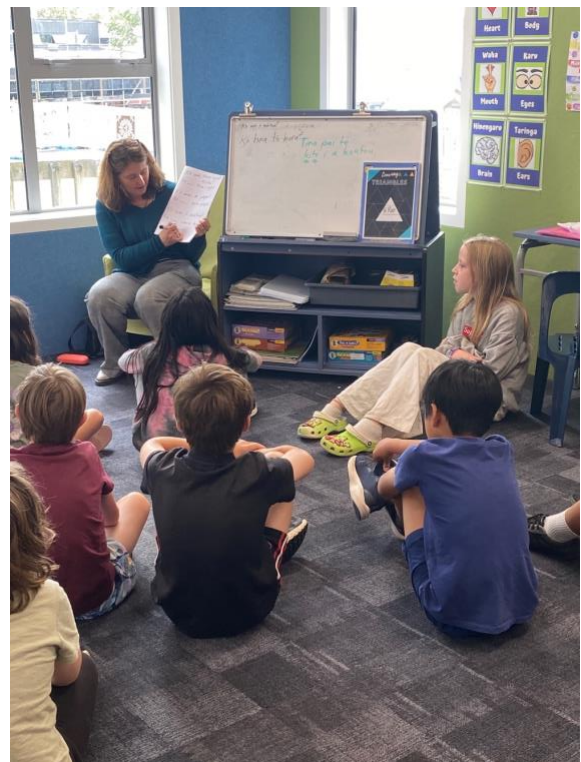
### Cricket Tournament

Congratulations to the students who represented Johnsonville School for cricket at Alex Moore Park on Tuesday. Your behaviour and attitude were outstanding, and you represented our school with pride. Thank you to Mr Greaney who took the team down and to the parents who supported with supervision on the day. Without your support, these opportunities cannot occur.



### Matahourua

It is lovely to be able to set up our new learning space above the library "Matahourua". Matahourua is the name of the waka that Kupe was on when he discovered/explored Aotearoa. We thought Matahourua was a fitting name for the space as we are using it as a discovery, exploring hands-on space. On Friday we are using it for our Te Reo class sessions and our extension groups with Whaea Adrienne.



### Seaweek

On Friday 8 May, the end of Seaweek, we are going to have a special Seaweek hat day. This year the Enviro team will be collecting gold coins to support Project Jonah to help with the amazing work they do looking after our marine mammals.

On Friday the 8th of March, to end Seaweek, we are going to have a special Seaweek hat day!

Can everyone please wear a sea creature hat to school!

This is going to be a whanau house challenge. Which Whanau House will have the most sea creature hats at school?

This year we are going to support Project Jonah to help with the amazing work they do looking after our marine mammals. If everyone could bring a gold coin to help Project Jonah the Enviro team will present it to them the following Monday. Nga mihi.

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### Policy Review

At our upcoming Board meeting we will be reviewing the Te Tiriti o Waitangi, Board Responsibility, Documentation and Self-Review policies.

1. Visit the website:  
<http://Johnsonville.schooldocs.co.nz/>.  
Enter the username (Johnsonville) and password (morgan).
2. Use the subtitle link 'current review' at the top of the page.
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy to read.
4. Click the Policy Review button and select the reviewer type 'Parent'
5. Enter your name (optional)
6. If you don't have internet access, the school office can provide you with printed copies of the policy and review form.

### Property Update

The building site is a hive of activity at the moment as they are striving for the finishing line. Crews are working on landscaping, on the veranda and deck whilst others are working on the inside. Thank you for your patience during this project, it is appreciated. The excitement is building for our teachers and students with anticipation of moving in.



### NZEI Paid Teacher Union Meeting

Our teachers will be attending a paid teacher union meeting on Thursday 28 March at 2.00 p.m. School will finish early on this day. Please collect your child between 1.00 p.m and 1.30 p.m. from their classroom if you are able to. The teachers will sign them out. All of our teachers are union members which makes it difficult to staff the school. We will have a couple of relievers onsite to supervise students who are unable to be picked up early.

Students remaining will be in two classrooms (Room 12 and Room 4) and can be released at 3 p.m. to head home as usual, to the YMCA or collected from the rooms. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Ngā mihi

Tania Cohen  
Tumuaki | Principal

### School App

If you haven't yet downloaded our school app, you can do so via the App Store or Google Play Store to your iOS or Android smartphone. Search for **SchoolAppsNZ** and type in 'Johnsonville School'. You will receive notification alerts that appear on your screen - provided you have subscribed to the alert groups you select through the **Alert Subscriptions** menu button on the top left of the homepage. You can also use the app to notify the school if your child is going to be absent.



### Facebook Page

Our [school Facebook page](#) is live and regular posts will keep you up-to-date with the many activities of the school. Information about fundraising initiatives can be found on the [Home and School Facebook page](#).

## Coming Up:

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### Thursday 7 March

Hui – School Hall 1:40pm  
*Rms 8 & 9 Presenting*

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### Monday 18 March

Seaweed Dress-up Day

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**Thursday 21 March**

Hui – School Hall 1:40pm  
*Rms 11 & 12 Presenting*

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**Friday 22 March**

Mihi Whakatau – 1:45pm  
*Welcome to new students and their families.*

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**Tuesday 26 March**

3 Way Conferences 3:10 - 8pm  
*More information to come.*

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**Wednesday 27 March**

3 Way Conferences 3:10 - 6pm  
*More information to come.*

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**Thursday 28 March**

NZEI Teachers Union Meeting – **Early Pick-up  
between 1 – 1:30pm**

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**Friday 29 March**

Public Holiday (Good Friday) – **School Closed**

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**Monday 1 April**

Public Holiday (Easter Monday) – **School Closed**

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**Tuesday 2 April**

Easter Tuesday (School Holiday) – **School Closed**

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*See the calendar on our school's website and App,  
<https://www.johnsonville.school.nz/calendar>,  
for further events taking place.*