

Panui/Newsletter

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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

Papua – Communal Solidarity

Holona kuku
Mehali yona royau
Aka paeke

In the forest, kuku and mehali trees live side by side.

*Just as different varieties of trees
Grow side by side in the forest,
Different people can live together harmoniously*

New Enrolments

We welcome the following new students and their families to our school community: Yunho Kim in Room 2 and Mercury Zhang in Room 13.

Cross Country

We were extremely lucky with the weather on Wednesday which allowed for our School Cross Country to go ahead as planned. Thank you to Andrea Geluk and Jo Wilson who organised this event for us. Thank you to our parents who were able to attend, the children were proud of their efforts. The colour run was definitely a highlight with the children. Congratulations to all children who participated and to those below will be going through to represent Johnsonville School at the Northern Zone Cross Country next term. Your homework for the holidays is to continue your running practice 😊.

Year 1 Girls

1 st	Khan Chi Hoang	1 st	Cloud Suyat
2 nd	Izabelle Hill	2 nd	Luca Comis
3 rd	Sophia Tizzoni	3 rd	Oscar McPhee
4 th	Emma Knott	4 th	Beau Dawson
5 th	Amelia Wallace	5 th	Gave Basas

Year 1 Boys

Year 2 Girls

1 st	Amelia Stewart
2 nd	Rosa Blair
3 rd	Eva Shoemark
4 th	Rochelle Wilsnach
5 th	Olive Little

Year 2 Boys

1 st	Carter Boyte
2 nd	David Pham
3 rd	Kari Jones
4 th	Theo Gommans
5 th	Seb Mitchell

Year 3 Girls

1 st	Amber Tufele
2 nd	Mia Wallace
3 rd	Anna Wilson
4 th	Honor Teal
5 th	Sage Koedyk

Year 3 Boys

1 st	Freddie Scannell
2 nd	Arlo Whitebell
3 rd	Keanu Vosges
4 th	Benedict Berwick
5 th	Yamoto Meilink

Year 4 Girls

1 st	Myra McAndrew
2 nd	Ila Scrase
3 rd	Suniksha Savareddy
4 th	Alayna Evans
5 th	Sophie Knott

Year 4 Boys

1 st	Lachlan Milward
2 nd	Jack Ellis
3 rd	Zayden Vosges
4 th	Jack Hill
5 th	Van Comis

Year 5 Girls

1 st	Izabel Oosthuizen
2 nd	Cate Strahan-Downes
3 rd	Chi Nguyen
4 th	Sienna Scannell
5 th	Mishika Bist

Year 5 Boys

1 st	Caleb Wilsnach
2 nd	Daniel Little
3 rd	Max Faisandier
4 th	Maximus Matehe
5 th	Jacob Macatangay

Year 6 Girls

1 st	Ari Henderson
2 nd	Freya Duignan
3 rd	Ella Anderson
4 th	Carys Pierce
5 th	Enyushka Melnikova

Year 6 Boys

1 st	Cameron Vosges
2 nd	Hayden Nguyen
3 rd	Arlo May
4 th	Arlo Lloyd
5 th	Olin Craig





Cool Schools: Peer Mediation

Cool Schools is a peer mediation programme, developed by an educational organisation called The Foundation for Peace Studies, and has been adopted by our school. It is based on the understanding that conflict is a part of our everyday lives, is something that can be handled positively and is resolvable.

It encourages us to learn about situations of conflict, and how to change them from experiences many of us would rather avoid or ignore into experiences to help us grow and learn. It helps us develop problem-solving approaches to conflict rather than denial or aggression.

Peer Mediation at Johnsonville School

During term one, some of our Year 6 students have been trained in conflict resolution skills and peer mediation. From term two, Mediators are available in pairs in the playground every lunchtime if needed by children to help them resolve any conflicts they have been unable to sort out for themselves. Within the classrooms all students will learn and use aspects of peer mediation that is age appropriate.

Year 6 Peer Mediators will meet regularly with the coordinator for ongoing support, feedback and training. Thank you to our Year 6 students who have taken this leadership role in our school.



The Mediation Process

1. Introduction and agreement of the rules of mediation
 - Listen to each other - you'll each get a turn.
 - One person speaks at a time.
 - Be respectful.
 - Be honest - tell the truth.
 - Agree to try and solve the problem together.
2. Define the conflict.
3. Summarise the problem.
4. Find a solution.
5. Reach an agreement.

At all times duty teachers are available to support students in the playground when peer mediation may not be appropriate.



Cupcake Day

Thank you to everyone who baked and manned the tables for the Home and School Cupcake Day. I am marvelled every year at the creativity of our bakers, this year was no different! The children had a difficult time deciding on which cupcake they would enjoy.

All money that the Home and School committee raises, goes directly back to the children through a variety of ways e.g. Splash Day at the end of the year, projects for our playground (our musical instruments), Year 6 leavers taonga, extra resources for our classrooms. We really appreciate the work the Home and School committee does.

Mihi Whakatau

Our Mihi Whakatau, welcoming new families to our school was postponed in term one as it coincided with Ramadan. Part of a mihi whakatau, is sharing kai after. As some of our new families were fasting, it was not appropriate to hold our Mihi Whakatau. Next term, we will hold a Mihi Whakatau for new families to attend.

Property Update and Teacher Only Day

Excitement and anticipation are building day by day. We now have a completion date for the building. The building will be handed over to the school on Friday 10 May. Movers have been organised to move all furniture/classes over the weekend of 11-12 May. We will have a **teacher only day on Monday 13 May**, so teachers can unpack their classrooms and set up again, ready for students in their new rooms on Tuesday 14 May. It

will be great to have our room numbers sequential again and the year levels together.

There is a slight delay with the completion of the landscaping around the building and the staff car park. These areas will be handed over to the school at a later date. I would like to thank Maycroft for their effective communication over the time they have worked onsite, for their flexibility to work around our activities and for their professionalism and efforts to get a high quality building to us as soon as was possible. They have been working long hours and weekends to get this completed.

Room 9 and Room 6 have swapped classes this week, as this allows our Year 0's starting at the beginning of term 2 to be in the correct room from the start. Thank you to Penny Wood and Megan Blackwell for organising this and the children who also assisted.

Student Wellbeing Focus

Our school has opted in to a new Wellbeing focused initiative lead by the Ministry of Education and Police across the Porirua area.

The purpose of the programme is to notify schools in a timely manner when one of its students has been affected by a family harm episode. The Ministry of Education will manage and monitor alerts from Police and send a notification to the enrolling school or kura with no other detail other than the student's name. As a result of these notifications the school or kura is then aware that a child has experienced an event within the last 24 hours and is then better able to assist these students through more appropriate and sensitive behaviour management, and the provision of additional supports when required. This programme fits within our Child Protection policy requirements and supports a small number of selected staff to support Tamariki who may require a little extra care. The school has created a process to ensure information is kept private and safely stored. Please speak to me, Tania Cohen, if you have any questions about the process.

It is hard to believe, we have completed one term of the school year already. Thank you to our students, staff and whānau for a term filled with learning and growing together. Enjoy your time

with your families over the school holidays and we look forward to seeing you back for term two learning.

Kia pai te wā whakatā.

Tania Cohen
Tumuaki | Principal

Netball and Miniball

A reminder: if you have not yet paid, netball and miniball fees for term 2 are now due. The fee is \$40 for netball and \$25 for miniball. Fees can be paid by cash and dropped off at the office in a named envelope or via internet banking: ASB Bank – Johnsonville School BOT. A/c Number 12-3223-0117242-00. Please include your child's name, class number and the words 'netball' or 'miniball'.

Coming Up:

Friday 12 April

Last day of Term 1 – School closes at 3pm

Monday 29 April

First day of Term 2

Monday 13 May

Staff Only Day – **School closed to students**
Classes moving spaces.

Tuesday 14 May

Students start the day in their new classrooms
School Board Meeting – 7pm

Thursday 23 May

School Hui – 1:40pm
Rooms 13 & 14 Presenting

Monday 3 June

King's Birthday – **Public holiday school closed**

Tuesday 4 June

Staff Only Day – **School closed to students**
Kāhui Ako Schools working together

Thursday 6 June

School Hui – 1:40pm
Rooms 3 & 4 Presenting

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