

#### 10 March 2025

## Principal's Pen

Kia ora koutou parents

Welcome back to Week 6. The first half of Term 1 has flown by. I hope this finds you well and all enjoying the beautiful weather while it lasts.

A reminder that school is **closed** this Friday 14th March for our first MOE teacher only days. This week our team will be focussing on Mathematics PLD with an external provider. We have a second MOE teacher only day in Term 2 and this date is Friday 30th May which is the Friday before Kings Birthday Monday. Please make a note of this in your calendars. This day will be focussing on Structured Literacy.

Can I please ask you to ensure that if your children are walking to school and using the Onewa & Lake Road light crossings that they extra care when crossing. These two roads are extremely busy mornings and afternoons and last week we were advised by a motorist that three young (primary school aged) children with bags ran across Onewa Road between Lake Road and Nutsey Avenue. They didn't use the crossing and the danger of doing this can't be overemphasised. Please make sure if your children walk themselves to, or home after school, they use the light-controlled crossings. As adults, we all need to set good examples and I would ask that the increasingly common practice of entering the crossing diagonally from 10 metres away is not setting a good example for your children. Please help keep your children safe on this extremely busy road.

This term has plenty happening across the school so keep an eye on the school calendar on Hero and the school website.

Kind regards

Andy Brown

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# **Upcoming Dates**

Upcoming dates are published on the homepage of the school website and on the Calendar section in Hero.

#### Term 1 2025

- New Parent Meeting 9.15am
- Friday 14 March Teacher Only Day school closed to children
- Thursday 27 March FONS family fun night 5pm
- Tuesday 1 April NPS swim sports
- Sunday 6 April Shore to Shore
- Friday 11 April last day term 1 2.55pm

### **Scholastic Book Orders**



These will go home with you child today. Orders can be placed online directly with Scholastic or at the school office by filling in the order form and paying with cash or card. Orders close Friday 28 March 2025.