



Term 4 Theme

Following Jesus

Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter.
Matthew 7:21 (NLT)

November 16—Term Four, Week Five

Kia ora koutou

What a fabulous start to the week with the sunshine and warmer temperatures. It feels as though summer is well on the way. It also reminds us that the school year is fast coming to an end.

We were incredibly blessed last week to have our Wellington region pastors share with us for Week of Worship. The theme was discipleship and following Jesus. Our children were reminded that this means sharing God's love with those around us.

A huge thank you to all of our parents for having their children picked up so promptly from the pool. A special thank you to those junior parents who are helping their children change and picking up early. It is greatly appreciated!

Attendance continues to be an issue. The Ministry has asked us to share these key messages with our community.

- If students have one week off every term, over ten years they will miss a year of school.
- Being at school everyday matters because of the sequential nature of learning, especially in literacy and numeracy.
- By law, students **must** attend school and
- One of the highest predictors of education success is attendance levels at school.

As I look through our attendance data this year, I see a correlation between academic success and regular attendance. We look forward to fewer disruptions and improved attendance in 2023.

Have a blessed week!

Ngā mihi nui

Karla Mitchell—Principal

Important Reminders

- **Swimming lessons continue this week and next, Monday through Thursday. Pick up is from The Arena Pools.**
- **We still have students with no hats or incorrect hats. Please make sure your child has the correct hat to wear at break times and for sports activities.**
- **If your child is absent, please let the office or teacher know by 9am, otherwise your child will be marked as truant.**

PRAISEGIVING 2022

Thursday 15th December

6:00—7:15 pm

Wellington Samoan SDA Church

Apple terrace, Ranui, Porirua

Please note that due to the growth of our school roll we have changed the format of Praisegiving this year to keep within the timeframe. Certificates will be awarded at each year level for achievement, progress, values, and sportsmanship. There will also be some whole-school awards as well as attendance certificates.

Student Reports will be handed out afterwards.

Upcoming Events

Nov 14-17 & 21-24	Swimming Lessons @ The Arena Pick up from The Arena at 3pm
Thursday, December 1	Pataka Trip—Ruma Kererū (4)
Tuesday, December 6	BOT Meeting—5pm
Wednesday, December 7	Year 8 Matiu-Somes Island Trip
Tuesday, December 13	Year 8 Graduation Dinner
Thursday, December 15	Praise-giving (Prize-giving)
Friday, December 16	Last Day of School— Finish at midday Activity to be advised
Thursday, February 2	First Day of School 2023
Monday, February 6	Waitangi Day Holiday
Friday, March 31	Teacher Only Day

Snapshots



Above: Students are enjoying their swimming lessons at Te Rauparaha Arena Pools



Left: Ruma Tui had a fun trip to Brunnings where they painted pots and learned about plants.

Below: Week of Worship was held last week. We had a different speaker each day sharing how we can be followers of Jesus. Pr Joe Tesese helped us understand how we can Jesus' love with others.



Hei āpōpō

See you tomorrow

Our te reo Māori phrase for the week.



Our Vision & Values

Our Vision

Growing lifelong learners who are spiritually connected, emotionally strong and socially skilled.



Our Values



GODLINESS



RELATIONSHIPS



OWNERSHIP



WISDOM

G.R.O.W.