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Wednesday Football, Go APS!



# Newsletter

Greetings - Kia ora ra ki te whanau  
Auckland Point School. 111 Haven Road, Nelson. Phone (03) 548 7970



Friday 1st December, 2023

Spa time in Trafalgar!

Trafalgar tamariki worked so hard during Athletics we thought we would treat them to a morning 'foot spa'. Tamariki helped to make the homemade bathsalts. We mixed epsom salts, baking soda and pink Himalayan salt together. We also added our own essential oils to make our feet smell delicious. We had such a relaxing morning and were even able to take our own bathsalts home to have an at home foot spa.





## Principal's Pen

Tēnā kotuou e te whānau,

The end of the school year is really close and the countdown is on! We have a full calendar of events right up until the 15th when we close for the summer.

Please check out the Term 4 dates so you know what is coming up.

Thank you all for your support on Teacher Only Day last Friday, 24 November. On that day our kaikao and myself went to collaborate with Hampden Street School enabling us all to work on the refreshed curriculum. For over a year now we have been getting to know the new requirements for Aotearoa New Zealand Histories, Social Sciences, English and Mathematics. Last week we explored reading writing and maths. Working with professionals from our local Kāhui Ako Schools is inspiring with the sharing of knowledge, ideas and skills.

Next year we will be implementing the new elements of the English and maths curriculum. There will be a new way of working. The new government also has ideas about the delivery of core curriculum but as yet we haven't had any specifics. Until then we will continue on the pathway we have begun. The changes so far are that the curriculum levels that we assess by currently, change to Phases. There are 5 phases that start at primary school and finish at the end of secondary schooling. Phase 1 is Years 1-3, Phase 2, Years 4-6, Phase 3, Years 7-8. These are the ones that relate to us.

The curriculum objectives are framed under Know, Understand, and Do. There are learning objectives that sit under these headings for each phase.

Next year there will be more information for you so you can get to grips with it all too. If you'd like to take a look at what the new curriculum looks like, here is the link to check it out. <https://curriculumrefresh.education.govt.nz/>

I look forward to seeing you at our end of year events.

Nga mihi nui,  
Sonya

### APS at Interschool Athletics

This week, a group of Auckland Point School's year 5-6 senior students showcased their athletic prowess at the highly anticipated Interschool Athletics Competition held at Saxtons Field, braving the scorching sun. Demonstrating unwavering dedication and embodying our APS values of achieve, participate, and show respect - our athletes excelled in various run, jump and throw events. Congratulations to all our tamariki who represented our kura.



## Things to Remember

### Term 4, 2023 Dates:

Monday 4 December, 2023	- Trafalgar & St V Classes to Waimarama Sanctuary
Wednesday 6 December, 2023	- Nile Classes Beach Trip
Tuesday 12 December, 2023	- Assembly/ End of Year Awards.
Wednesday 13 December, 2023	- Year 6 Leavers Dinner 5.30 - 7 pm
Friday 15 December, 2023	- Last Day of Term 4. <b>School Finishes 12.30 pm.</b> - Trafalgar Carpark Closure

### 2023 Term Dates

**Term 1: Thursday, 2 February 2023 – Thursday, 6 April 2023**

**Term 2: Wednesday, 26 April 2023 – Friday, 30 June 2023**

**Term 3: Monday, 17 July 2023 – Friday, 22 September 2023**

**Term 4: Monday, 9 October 2023 – Friday, 15 December 2023**

### Auckland Point School Carpark & Early Collection

Whānau please remember that the school car park is strictly only available for Auckland Point School Staff and Kindergarten.

If the drop off / pick up parking on Haven Road is unavailable please park at the Trafalgar Centre and walk across the footbridge and road crossing with your child/ren.

Should you need to collect your child/ren early or during the school day, for reasons such as medical appointment, please phone ahead to the school office so we can arrange to have your child sent over from their classrooms. Parents are not permitted to go directly to the classrooms and must sign in at the office when visiting.

Collecting your child/ren from school before 2.45pm can be very disruptive for their class teacher and your child's learning without prior notice.



## Board Matters

Kia ora whānau,

As we approach the end of the year, The Board of Trustees (including our Principal) want to update you on the various aspects that contribute to the vibrancy of our school community.

### Governance and Management: Navigating Together

Governance is the strategic task of setting the school's goals, direction, limitations, and accountability frameworks. It involves defining our long-term objectives and ensuring alignment with the values of our community. Management, on the other hand, is tasked with the day-to-day operations, efficiently allocating resources to implement the strategic vision set by the board. These roles are interconnected and collaborative, with clear boundaries outlined in the board's delegation of duties.

If you are ever interested in learning more about governance, please feel free to reach out to us via Sonya. Additionally, governance policies and procedures, along with links to strategic documents, can be found on our website here: <https://www.aps.school.nz/aps-policies-and-procedures>

### Exciting Year-End Activities: Celebrating Together

We're thrilled to share that Mrs. Hockley and our dedicated kaiako team have planned a host of exciting activities to finish off the year on a high note! From engaging educational experiences like trips to Natureland to the exciting re-opening of the pool, we're gearing up for a fun-filled conclusion to the year. Be sure to mark your calendars for these fantastic events. We look forward to seeing you kanohi ki te kanohi (face to face) at these fun events.

### School Rebuild: Looking Towards the Future

Recently, the board has received inquiries about the school rebuild. We understand the anticipation and share your excitement for this significant project. We are patiently awaiting information on the timeline and details to move forward. Once we have clarity, we will promptly reach out to all school and community whānau. Your thoughts on how our new space can work best for your tamariki are invaluable, and we look forward to engaging with you in shaping the future of our school.

### Governance Outreach in 2024: Your Voice

In 2024, we will be reaching out to you to help shape the direction the school takes strategically. This will include health curriculum consultation and input on leavers profiles. We look forward to hearing how APS can be the best it can be for your whānau.

Your ongoing support and input are vital to the continued success of our school. If you have any questions or thoughts you'd like to share, please don't hesitate to reach out via our treasured tumuaki.

Nga mihi nui,

Amie-Jo Traves  
Presiding Member  
Auckland Point School  
Te Kura o Matangi Āwhio

## Cathedral Christmas Tree Walk

We had a walk and visit to the Cathedral this week. Our 'Kiwiana' themed Christmas Tree is on display in our Cathedral. The tamariki, kaimahi (staff) and Monica have worked their magic! You are encouraged to go see it for yourselves and enjoy it.





## **BE YOU. BE GREAT! AWARDS**

### **Term 4, Week 7**



#### **Trafalgar Room**

**Phoenix McMaster:** For showing great sportsmanship during APS Athletics.

**Hunter Eynon-Dixon:** For showing resilience and perseverance during APS Athletics.

#### **St. Vincent Tahi Room**

**Tosi Toalima Vitaoa:** For being quick and focused during Literacy and Maths lessons.

**Scarlett Berkett:** For being helpful in class and trying hard to focus on her work.

#### **St. Vincent Rua Room**

**Corey Brens:** For your positive attitude during athletics.

**Ben Hadfield:** For trying your best and encouraging others to do their best too.

#### **Nile Tahi Room**

**Arhlia-May Patterson-Daly:** For completing more learning tasks in the given timeframes.

**Antony Young-Collins:** For a positive attitude during athletics day.

#### **Nile Rua Room**

**Delia Goodfellow:** Responding to formative feedback in order to depth and complexity to your work.

**Swechha Korrapati:** Excellent self management and always striving to improve.

#### **Fair Play**

**Chloe Eastman:** For being positive, encouraging and supportive of others during athletics.

#### **Leading Light**

**Sophie Lowden:** For being a great problem solver and helping others who need support.

#### **Welcome:**

Mohammed Zeeshan

Dat Nguyen



## **BE YOU. BE GREAT! AWARDS**

### **Term 4, Week 8**



#### **Trafalgar Room**

**Dakota Patterson-Daly:** For showing leadership in Trafalgar. Ka pai to mahi

**Cohen Gear:** For demonstrating independence during learning activities.

#### **St. Vincent Tahi Room**

**Bruna Figueroa Alvarez:** For shining through all her challenges like a star!

**Kara Calder:** For doing her best, bright and cheery effort every single day.

#### **St. Vincent Rua Room**

**Neveah Thompson:** For amazing improvement in your writing, ka rawe.

**Jason Qu:** For stepping out of your comfort zone and trying new things.

#### **Nile Tahi Room**

**Riley Norling:** For your enthusiasm and commitment during the interschool athletics.

**Poppy Brady:** For your bravery and can do attitude during the interschool athletics.

#### **Nile Rua Room**

**Tadeo Riccheri:** For an increasing use of English and fantastic self management.

**Connor Shuttle:** For bringing a wonderful energy to waiata, kapa haka drama games.

#### **Fair Play**

**Eve Cumming:** For always being a kind, supportive and fun friend.

#### **Leading Light**

**Eddie Dempsey:** For managing your emotions and getting yourself into the green zone.

