

MAYFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 1 - 30/07/2026



Thursday 30th July 2026

Principal's Message

Kia ora, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Namaste, Fakaalofa atu, Bula, Kia orana, Mauri, Nihao, Salam, Sawasdee, Kumusta Kayo, Hola, Xin chao, Vanakkam, Choum reap sor, Ming-gah-lah-bahr, Akkam, As-salaam 'alykum

Welcome to Term 3! I hope you all enjoyed a restful break and had the opportunity to spend quality time with your loved ones. We are excited to begin another term of learning, growth, and celebration together. A very special welcome goes to the new students and families joining our Mayfield Primary School community this term. We are also delighted to welcome our new teachers, learning assistants, and staff members to our school. We know you will quickly become part of our caring and vibrant school whānau, and we look forward to the many gifts and strengths you will bring to our community.

Term 3 is one of our most exciting terms as we celebrate the rich languages, cultures, and identities that make Mayfield Primary School such a special place. We look forward to celebrating Cook Islands Language Week, Maths Week, Tongan Language Week, and later in the term Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori. These celebrations remind us of the importance of embracing who we are, honouring our heritage, and learning from one another.

This term we will continue to place a strong focus on Reading, Writing, and Mathematics. These are the foundations for lifelong success, and we ask for your continued support at home. Reading with your child every day, encouraging them to write about their experiences, and practising basic maths facts together will make a significant difference to their learning and confidence.

Attendance remains one of our highest priorities. Every day at school matters. Students who attend school regularly are more connected, achieve better academically, and build stronger friendships. We encourage all families to make school attendance a priority unless your child is genuinely unwell. Together, we can help every child achieve their very best.

Thank you to our incredible parents, caregivers, staff, Board members, and wider community for your ongoing partnership and support. The success of our school is built on the strength of our relationships and our shared commitment to providing the very best opportunities for every child.

As always, our vision is for every student to feel safe, valued, challenged, and inspired to succeed. We are looking forward to another wonderful term filled with learning, celebration, achievement, and many memorable moments.

Thank you for being part of our Mayfield Primary School family.

Ngā mihi nui,

Mrs Meritiana MacShane

Principal

Important Dates

Thursday 30 th July	Swimming Lessons
Thursday 30 th July	Cook Island Parents Meeting at 3:10pm.
Monday 3 rd August to Friday 7 th August	Cook Island Language Week
Monday 10 th August to Friday 14 th August	Maths Week
Wednesday 12 th August	Mathex at MPS
Friday 14 th August	Maths Celebration Assembly
Thursdays	Whole School Assembly 9:15am

Thank you to all the Parents & Families

that attended our Parent/Caregiver Talanoa Evening this week. Thank you for your support



ATTENDANCE

WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS - "The Power of Showing Up"

Showing up isn't just about being in a seat; it's about engagement, building trust, and creating a vibrant community. To celebrate the collective effort, it takes to get to school every day, we have some exciting rewards this term. Please support your children by ensuring they attend school every day.

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to year 12, that is..	This means that the best your child can achieve is..
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Attendance Week 1	
Year 0	95%
Year 1	84%
Year 2	79%
Year 3	84%
Year 4	85%
Year 5	91%
Year 6	89%

GIVE YOUR CHILD EVERY CHANCE TO SUCCEED!... EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Introducing some of our new staff that joined Mayfield School this term



Mrs Kumar - Teacher
Room 3



Mr Ballado - Teacher
Room 6



Mr Adjei-Sasu - Teacher
Room 10



Mrs Su'a
Learning Assistant



Mrs Tiatia
Learning Assistant



Mrs Nga
Learning Assistant

Mihi Whakatau - Term 3 Friday 24th July 2026



Ngā mihi nui
Mrs Meritiana MacShane
TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL