

Friday 23rd October 2026

MAYFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 1 - 23/10/2026



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

Kia ora koutou, parents and caregivers! Fakaalofa lahi atu!

It's an exciting time at our school as we celebrate Niue Language Week, welcome our new learning spaces, and look ahead to an upcoming Tongan Book Launch. Here are our latest updates and an important reminder for the week ahead.

Celebrating Niue Language Week 2026 Faahi Tapu he Vagahau Niue: The official theme for Niue Language Week 2026 is:

“Gahua auhoa ke fakaako fakamalolō e Vagahau Niue” “Working together to diligently teach and strengthen Vagahau Niue.” This theme highlights the importance of working together as families, school, and community to keep the Niuean language alive and strong for future generations. Through songs, stories, greetings, and learning new words, our tamariki can celebrate Niuean culture, identity, and heritage while developing an appreciation for the diversity within our school community. We encourage families to continue the celebration at home by sharing Niuean words and phrases, singing songs, and telling stories. Every small step helps strengthen Vagahau Niue and keeps this treasured language thriving.

Exciting News: Opening Our New Rooms 7 and 8! On Friday 16th October 2026- Matua Pa Chris, our Kapa Haka Group, Miss Mavis Henry, Miss Potangaroa and myself enjoyed a very special Opening Blessing of our New renovated classrooms and PLD/Teaching space - ROOM 7 AND 8.

Important Reminder: Labour Day: School will be CLOSED on Monday 26th October for the Labour Day public holiday. There will be no classes on Monday. We look forward to welcoming all tamariki back to school on Tuesday 27th October 2026. We wish all our families a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable long weekend!

Save the Date: Tongan Book Launch!

We are excited to share that we will be hosting a Tongan Book Launch on Friday, 20th November 2026! This will be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate Tongan language, culture, and storytelling within our school community. More details will be shared soon, so please keep an eye out for further updates. We look forward to celebrating this special occasion with our tamariki, families, and caregivers!

Thank you for being valued members of our school community. Your support helps create a positive, inclusive environment where every child can learn, belong, and thrive.

Fakaalofa lahi atu! Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa.

Warm regards,

Meritiana MacShane

Principal - Mayfield Primary School

Opening & Blessings of Room 7 & 8



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..	Attendance Week 1	
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11	Year 0	65%
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10	Year 1	78%
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7	Year 2	79%
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4	Year 3	85%
					Year 4	87%
					Year 5	77%
					Year 6	84%

Welcome to all our new students, staff & families



NIUEAN LANGUAGE WEEK



Ngā mihi nui
Mrs Meritiana MacShane
TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL

Important Dates

Monday 26 th October	Public Holiday LABOUR DAY
Wednesday 11 th November	Athletics Day
Thursday 19 th November	Otara Sports Cluster Tournament
Friday 20 th November	Tongan Book Launch 10:00am-11:00am
Wednesday 2 nd December	Attendance Trip
Thursday 3 rd December	Otara Sports Cluster Athletics Day
Friday 4 th December	Junior Prizegiving at 9:30am Senior Prizegiving at 1:00pm
Monday 7 th December	Year 6 Graduation 10:00am
Tuesday 8 th December	Last Day of School School will close at 2:00pm
Every Fridays	Whole School Assembly 10:30am