



# Pānui o te kura Spotswood #04

School Goal: Choose equipment from the sports shed for playground fun

Rāapa 21 o Huitāngaru

Pepeha o Te kura Spotswood  
Tēnā koutou katoa  
Ko Taranaki te mouna  
Ko Herekawe te awa  
Ko Tokomaru te waka  
Ko Te Atiawa te iwi  
Ko Ngati Te Whiti te hapu  
Ko Takahere, ko Pukewhero, ko Papawhero, ko Ngāmotu,  
ko Maungaroa ngā pā tawhito  
Ko Spotswood te kura  
No reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou,  
tēnā koutou katoa



## Greetings from our Tumuaki

Tēnā koutou!

We had an awesome Splash n' Dash and Triathlon last Wednesday. The weather was perfect. It was great to see so many whānau enjoying the event. Many of you have been attending our assemblies as well. You are always welcome. We love to see you here, celebrating alongside our tamariki. We start Life Education Trust Classes next week.

Kia pai tō ra!

## Te Puna Reo Māori

Our staff have been participating in weekly professional development in reo Māori. This is then taught in our classrooms. Last week we practiced:

**Nō \_\_\_\_\_ ōku tīpuna (My ancestors are from \_\_\_\_\_)**

This week we have been practicing:

**Ko \_\_\_\_\_ ahau (My names is \_\_\_\_\_)**

**Nō \_\_\_\_\_ ahau (I am from \_\_\_\_\_)**

We are working towards building our own pepeha. Kia haha te reo Māori!

## Spotty Talks

We are hosting the first of our Spotty Talks tomorrow, Thursday 22 February at 2 pm in the staffroom. We are going to be talking about home learning. We will have a couple of these hui each term to fill you in what we are doing in our kura. It is also a chance for you to ask questions on the topic and give us some feedback. Some of the topics we are going to cover this year are:

- Reading
- Writing
- Mathematics
- Te Reo Māori

Come along and enjoy the aircon. Tea, coffee and biscuits are provided. See you there!

## Sunflower Competition

We received a \$200 Mitre 10 voucher from Claire Oag, Real Estate Agent for The Professionals as part of the sunflower growing competition. Thank you, Claire. We will use the voucher to purchase plants for our gardens. Congratulations to Roshia (R11) also won a \$50 Palmers voucher for the competition.



## Healthy Eating Kaupapa

We have had many inquiries regarding our healthy eating kaupapa. We are trying our best to ensure that your children make healthy eating choices during their time at school. It is not compulsory that your child eats the school lunches. However, we do ask that you support our kaupapa by giving your child healthy options for lunch and morning tea. Please click the link to see our healthy eating policy. You will also find the policy on our app and the school website.

[Healthy Eating at School](#)

## Term 1 Calendar 2024

### Week 4 (19 – 23 February)

Tuesday 20 February – Friday 23 February  
Thursday 22 February – Swimming Lessons & Spotty Talks  
Friday 23 February – **Pouakai House Leader Assembly**

### Week 5 (26 February – 1 March)

Wednesday 28 February – Friday 1 March – **Life Education Trust**  
Thursday 29 February – Swimming Lessons  
Friday 1 March – Room 9 Assembly

### Week 6 (4 – 8 March)

Monday 4 March – Wednesday 6 March – **Life Education Trust**  
Monday 4 March – Board Meeting  
Thursday 7 March – Swimming Lessons  
Friday 8 March – **Kaitake House Leader Assembly**

### Week 7 (11 – 15 March)

**Monday 11 March – Taranaki Anniversary Day School Closed**  
Thursday 14 March – Swimming Lessons  
Friday 15 March – Room 8 Assembly

### Week 8 (18 – 22 March)

Wednesday 20 March – Whānau Hui  
Thursday 21 March – Swimming Lessons  
Friday 22 March – **Paritutu House Leader Assembly** & Goal Setting Reports issued

### Week 9 (25 – 29 March)

Tuesday 26 March – Goal setting interviews  
Wednesday 27 March – Easter Tabloids & Goal setting interviews  
Thursday 28 March – Swimming Lessons  
**Friday 29 March – Good Friday School Closed**

### Week 10 (1 – 5 April)

**Monday 1 April – Easter Monday School Closed**  
**Tuesday 2 April – Easter Tuesday School Closed**  
Thursday 4 April – Swimming Lessons  
Friday 5 April – Room 15 Assembly

### Week 11 (8 – 12 April)

Monday 8 April – Board Meeting  
Thursday 11 April – Swimming Lessons  
Friday 12 April – Principal's Assembly & Last day of Term 1

## Celebrating the Success of our Students

We had a school assembly in the hall last Friday, hosted by Room 13. They shared some of their amazing art, several students presented their pepeha and we were also treated to a clip about the lunches they love in Room 14 and what they appreciate about school. The following students were presented with **Caught Being Good Awards**:

*Carter (R5), Selena (R6), Eden (R7), Vanshi (R8), Enari (R9), Sara (R10), Hunter-Rose (R11), Te Arepa (R12), Hyacinth (R13), Azarleah (R14) & Chen (R15)*

Well done to all of these students! We are so proud of you! Ka rawe tamariki ma!



## Splash n' Dash & Triathlon

We had a wonderful Splash n' Dash and Triathlon last week. Thank you to Whaea Lisa for organising the event and to Mr Scouller for all of his efforts setting up the course. It was awesome to see so many supporters! Here are some photos for you to enjoy.

