

Dear parents & caregivers,

Kia ora, Mālō e lelei, and welcome to term 4. We have a fun filled term ahead of us in Rātā. The girls all came back refreshed and full of energy after their amazing holidays. It was wonderful to hear about all of their adventures. We know this will be a fun and busy term.

This term kicked off with athletics day and although it was organised slightly differently, due to work happening at the Hutt Rec, it was wonderful to see our akongā engage in the athletic events. This term we will also be attending the life education bus to explore the concepts of self-esteem and resilience. Work has also begun on our syndicate production of The Wizard of Oz. We have kindly been invited to attend some PE lessons to be delivered by senior students from Sacred Heart, this will be happening in weeks 3, 4 & 5. During this term students will also complete a unit of work on puberty and sexuality, there will be more information to follow about this. Towards the end of term we are organising an EOTC week for the girls with some fun activities. As always, we will be sending our year 8's off onto the next stage of their education journey with the year 8 retreat, year 8 dinner as well as the graduation ceremony.

Term 4 dates for your calendar:

- Life Education Bus - Weeks 3, 4 & 5.
- Class Photos - Wednesday 1st November
- Individual & Sibling Photos - Friday 3rd November
- School Cultural Day - Thursday 16th November
- Rata Area Play - Wednesday 22nd November, 6pm
- St John First Aid Course - Monday 27th November
- EOTC Riser Bushwalk - Tuesday 28th November
- Celebration EOTC Day (Jumparama & Clip 'n' Climb) - Wednesday 29th November
- Year 8 Retreat - Tuesday 5th December
- Year 8 Dinner - Thursday 7th December
- Graduation Ceremony - Monday 11th December

Summer Uniform & PE Gear

We would like to remind families that in term four all students are required to have a sunhat and are welcome to wear sandals. If your child chooses to wear sandals please remember that they need covered over school shoes when attending technology on Fridays for health and safety reasons. As the weather warms up we look forward to getting outside more and enjoying many sports and fitness sessions. Students still need their PE gear every day from Monday to Thursday and this must include supportive sports shoes.

Contacting Teachers

We are always contactable through admin@stpeterpaul.school.nz and please feel free to pop in to class to see us at any time should you have any questions.

Thank you for all the support so far this year. We look forward to working with you in term 4.

