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Primary

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Kia Toa Be Victorious

Tēnā koutou katoa, Namaste, Mingalaba, Sua's Dei, Nan dam maw, Talofa Lava, Malo e Lelei, Kia Orana, Bula, Fakalofa Atu, Hola, Guten Tag, Bonjour, Ni Hao, Xin Chào, Kumusta, Ayubowan, God Dag, Hallo, Dzień dobry, Merhaba, Assalaam Alykum - Warm greetings to you all.

Welcome to Term 4! The final term of the year! It's hard to believe how fast the year has gone and how much learning and experiences we have packed into 2023 already! Term 4 will be no different and we are looking forward to the awesome opportunities that this term will bring! We haven't sent out a school newsletter for a while due to the busy end to last term so this newsletter is a 'catch-up' newsletter to celebrate all of the awesome things that happened at the end of last term. Our newsletter format is something that we are looking to review as we move towards 2024 so if you do have any feedback for us about the format or what information you'd like to see going forward, please let me know by emailing principal@victory.school.nz.

As we start our last term, there are a couple of reminders for whānau to make sure that you and your tamariki are as prepared as possible. Firstly, with the weather warming up, I'd like to take this opportunity to remind you that we are a Sun Smart School, which means that all children need to be wearing a sun hat (not a cap) when they are outdoors. The sun hats don't have to be Victory Primary School hats but they must have a brim for sun protection. We also sell VPS hats at the office for \$12 each if you would like to buy one for your child(ren). The second reminder is that our school swimming programme starts next week so it is important that your child(ren) have the appropriate swimming gear for the days that their class is swimming. All of the information about swimming days and what your child(ren) will need will be communicated to whānau by the classroom teacher.

The end of Term 3 was action-packed and there are almost too many amazing things to describe including our Kia Toa Leadership Camp, the Ngā Mana Kākano o Te Wairepo Celebration of Kapa Haka and Localised Curriculum, our local Winter Sports Tournament, the VPS Music Concert put on for local Early Childhood Centres, our school-wide cycle and scooter safety programme, Daffodil Day, Natureland Trips, Tasman Bay Guardian workshops, Duffy Reading guest speakers, Vamos Latin Dance and Percussion performances, visits from the Tasman Mako, the establishment of our new school rock band, and more!

Our Kia Toa Leadership Camp was a real highlight of the term for our Year 6 student leaders and the staff and parents that went along to support our 4 days at Mistletoe Bay Eco Village in the Marlborough Sounds! It was the perfect way to round off a great term and we created lifelong memories doing activities such as kayaking, stand-up paddle boarding, hiking, fishing, orienteering, looking at glow worms, toasting marshmallows on the beach, skimming stones at the river, learning about local stories, looking for crabs, shells, and pakohe at the beach, and lots of fun activities to build whanaungatanga, rangatiratanga, manaakitanga, kaiakitanga, kotahitanga, and whakapapa. Thanks so much to all of the staff and helpers that contributed to making it such an awesome week!

Our end of term celebration of Kapa Haka, Te Reo me ōna Tikanga, and Localised Curriculum was another highlight of the end of Term 3. Local iwi, whānau, and friends, filled the auditorium at Nelson College and enjoyed performances from our three kapa haka rōpū ranging from our youngest tamariki (who took the stage for the first time) through to our more experienced tamariki who had been practicing all term to polish their performances. It was a spectacular display of mahi from the learning displays to the performances and a culmination of hours of hard work from our kaiako, kaiāwhina, and community. Ngā mihi maioha ki a koutou!

I'm really proud to say that both our physical education and sports programme and our music and performing arts programme are flourishing and there are so many opportunities available for our tamariki! The Kāhui Ako Winter Sports Tournament was an awesome example of our kids getting involved in sports and trying something new, and our cycle and scooter safety programme was a huge success in terms of developing lifelong skills for our learners. At the end of Term 3, we also had the privilege of showcasing our music and performing arts programme by putting on an awesome set of performances for our local Early Childhood Centres. These performances included our school choir, musical instruments, dance and percussion, and kapa haka and it was a great example of children getting involved and taking pride in performing for others. Thanks so much to all involved in the organisation of these great events!

Ngā manaakitanga,

Dan George
Tumuaki

Victory Happenings



Kei te pēhea koe?

(How are you feeling?)

Manamanahau (joyful)

Arotahi (focused)

MaUritau (relaxed)

Rorirori (silly)

Hiamoe (tired)

Ora (well)

Ruhi (exhausted)

Harikoā (happy)

Ngā Ruma tekau mā whitu (by Rm17)

Class Poetry from Te Wiki O Te Reo Māori



Ngā Tamariki

The akomanga is a great
learning whare
The tamariki chatter within
its walls.

Our korero can be heard
afar

We are one big whānau.
We are ruma tekau mā
waru.

by Room 18

Kia Toa Awards for T3, Week 10

Ako Tahi: Ayaan

Mahi Tahi: Emil

Rm11: Ruby & Rose

Rm12: David & Van Sui

Rm13: Sofia G, Cung Tha & Jasmine

Rm14: Maylin & Heath

Rm16: Rachell & Arthur

Rm17: Jamison & Jenny

Rm18: Edith & Sawyer

Rm19: Ella & Ruby

Whānau Ti Kouka: Kupa

Whānau Koromiko: Rangimarie & Ahreya

Whānau Harakeke: Storm-May & Mika



Congratulations to our new Y6 Kia Toa Leaders

Important Dates

End Term 4: 20 Dec 2023

Start Term 1: 7 Feb 2024



Mistletoe Bay Camp 2023

