

Tuesday 25th May 2021

VAIASO O LE GAGANA SAMOA

SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK (30 MAY - 5 JUNE 2021)

Talofa lava Parents/Caregivers,

Next Week is Samoan Language Week, and the theme this year is:

"Poupou le lotoifale. Ola manuia le anofale which means strengthen the posts of your house, for all to thrive.".

We will be having fun events happening during the week to celebrate Samoan Language week, and we extend a warm welcome to all our families and whanau to come in and participate in the events.

We will be commencing with a whole school assembly at 9.30am next Monday 31st May in our Wharenui to introduce Samoan Language Week so we would love to see you all there.

Also, next Tuesday 1st June at 2pm, we will be acknowledging Samoan Independence Day by having a hoisting of the Samoan Flag to celebrate Samoa Independence Day outside B Pod Courts. If it is raining, this will take place in the Wharenui.

Also, next Thursday 3rd June, we will be having a staff shared lunch with and we invite ALL parents in our school community at lunch time, from 1.00-1.40pm in our staffroom to share in a meal. Also, we are very fortunate that all our students will also be having a special lunch made for them on Thursday, which is chop suey and rice which will be kindly supplied by our wonderful PTFA.

Next **Monday 31st May** and **Friday 4th June**, we encourage ALL students and parents to come dressed in their own cultural attire.

Here is the timetable of exciting events that will be taking place during Samoan Language Week:

(Please turn over)



St Mary MacKillop Catholic School





Aso Gafua Monday 31 Me	 9.30am: Whole School Assembly introducing Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa/Samoan Language Week in the wharenui From 1.00 - 1.40pm in the library: Grandparents reading Samoan stories to children (Whole School to wear their cultural attire today)
Aso Lua Tuesday 1 Iuni	At 2.00pm: • Hoisting of the Samoan Flag to celebrate Samoa Independence Day outside B Pod Courts. If it rains, this will take place in Wharenui.
Aso Lulu Wednesday 2 Iuni	From 1.00 - 1.40pm: • In the Wharenui - Samoan Arts and Crafts • In the Wharenui - Samoan food making display
Aso Tofi Thursday 3 Iuni	• Lunchtime - shared lunch with parents, staff & BOT in the staffroom from 1.00 - 1.40pm
Aso Faraile Friday 4 Iuni	 2pm - Show Case Assembly We are wanting a fun assembly for our children and families to have the chance to perform/present something from the Samoan Culture. Please contact peterw@marymackillop.school.nz if you are interested. (Whole School to wear their cultural mufti attire today)

We would love to see you all next week!

Fa'afetai tele lava,

Senia Myocevich.

Deputy Principal