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Hongoeka and Taupo classes have been visiting Pataka to look at Porirua - 50 years young

From the Principal

Tena Koutou

PARENT SURVEY – The Board of Trustees conducts a parent satisfaction survey every two years. The objective of the survey is to gather accurate and useful information to feed into the school's strategic planning process. The Board is eager for as many parents as possible to complete the survey so as to gather balanced and useful information. The 2015 Parent Survey is now available by following this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Plimmerton>

and hard copies can also be uplifted from the school office. Please take the time to complete the survey by Friday 4 September.



INFORMATION SHARING/REVIEWING INTERVIEWS – The second afternoon/evening Information Sharing/Reviewing Interviews will be held today. A number of individual teacher's interviews have had to be postponed due to them being away sick. Teachers will be contacting parents to reschedule interviews and arrange interviews with parents who did not book. Parents and teachers are asked to be punctual as any time overruns can be very disruptive. Students are encouraged to attend with their parents and parents will be given a mid-year National Standards report at the interview. Parking is available in the top playground after 4:30pm



From the Principal continued.....

when netball practices finish. A crèche is available in the school library for the supervision of siblings and pre-schoolers.

MATERNITY LEAVE – Rebecca McMillan will be on Maternity Leave from Monday and Mike Williams will take over teaching Room 16 for the remainder of the year. We wish Rebecca and partner Ryan the very best for the birth of their daughter.

MATH-A-THON – Math-a-thon testing was completed last week and teachers have reported big improvements in students' basic fact knowledge. Sponsorship money has been flowing in and to date \$2300 has been raised which is awesome. Students are asked to collect remaining sponsorship money and return it to school as soon as possible. All funds raised are passed to the PTA to assist them in their fund raising efforts. Thank you for your support for this event.

ILLNESS – The number of students absent due to illness has continued to trend downwards with an average of 8% of students away sick through the first four days of this week.

Tena koutou katoa

Maurice Laird

Principal



Social Skills

“KEEPING HEALTHY”

Key competencies: Relating to others, managing self, participating and contributing.

Connecting Behaviour: Trusting

Basic needs: Belonging, freedom, power

Values: Resilience, collaboration, trust

LOOKS LIKE	SOUNDS LIKE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eating well. • Getting enough sleep. • Wearing enough clothing and footwear to keep warm and dry. • Washing or sanitizing our hands before eating and after going to the toilet. • Covering coughs and sneezes. • Using tissues to blow your nose. • Putting dirty tissues in the bin. • Only drinking from your own drink bottle. • Changing out of wet clothing and taking off clothing when you are hot but putting it back on when you call down. • Staying at home until you are well enough to return to school if you have been sick. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “When I get a cold I eat lots oranges and kiwi fruit to give me vitamin C” • “I don’t wear my Chucks shoes when it’s raining, my feet just get wet.” • “Put your hands out for a squirt of the hand sanitizer before you have your snack.” • “Excuse me.” • “Can I please get a tissue to wipe my nose?” • “All tissues in the bin, not on the table please.” • “Phew, I’m hot after that game. I’ll cool down when I get back to class and put my jacket on.” • “I really wanted to go on the trip to Pataka but the doctor said I need to stay home.”

Student Notices

- **PJ DAY IS ON THIS FRIDAY!** Wear your best PJ's. PJ Parade at 11.30am on the courts. In the hall if it's wet. See you there!
- Can parents of **YEAR 8** students who are interested in helping organise the leaver's dinner please contact: Marchelle Dann - info@trinityclinics.co.nz
- **MATH-A-THON** - please collect your money from your sponsors and return the sheets and money to your class teacher as soon as possible. Thank you
- Is anyone interested in making up a team to go Solway College Inter-School Dressage Competition, Monday 21 September? For further information please contact Jackie 022-0846905



Community

- **KELLY SPORTS:** It's never too late to register for Kelly Sports at your school! With our programme covering the Team Sports this term, it's sure to be a heap of fun and a great way to develop your child's teamwork, communication and sporting skills in a fun and friendly environment. For more information: www.kellysports.co.nz or Tim 021 41 4056.
- **KIDS DRAMA CLASSES** - local Speech & Drama Teacher, Roz Baxter, 027-6939573, Tues. afternoons
- **KIDS CROSS COUNTRY SERIES** is coming to Tawa on Sunday 16 August. These events are run around the Wellington region, with the local Olympic Harrier and Athletic Club hosting this event in partnership with Athletics Wellington. There are races for pre schoolers (Year 0s) to year 8s. www.athleticshub.co.nz, Jo Murray at 021 976116 jo@athleticswellington.org.nz
- **PUKERUA BAY KINDERGARTEN** and Pre Entry host The Pukerua Bay Kitchen Tour. Sunday 30th August, 11am-3pm. Tickets \$20 each. Email PBKfundraising@gmail.com or visit Facebook page Pukerua Bay Kitchen Tour
- **SPRINGHILL ACADEMY OF DANCE:** We are offering a free class on Tuesdays at the main studio 91 Muri Road, Pukerua Bay at 2.00 for pre schoolers 3 - 4 years. This will be for 1 year for each child. For enrolment email springhillgardens@xtra.co.nz ... title pre schoolers, or go to our website and make enquiry through enquiry page www.springhilldance.co.nz.
- **NGATITOA TENNIS CLUB:** Junior Club Registration Day is Monday 7th September 2015 - 4.30 - 6pm, bring along your racquets and have a hit with Isaac and the coaches. Club day commences Monday 14th September. All levels of playing ability catered for and Interclub teams are available. Midweek coaching sessions commencing Term 4. For further information please email - juniors@ngatitootennis.org.nz. Senior members welcome - come along to club night on Wednesday evenings at 6pm.
- **NIGEL LATTA** presents "The Modern Family Survival Guide", Thursday 10 September 7.30 pm, Newlands College Hall. \$25 per ticket. To order your tickets mail fundraising@rewarewa.school.nz or see www.rewarewa.school.nz

School Notices

- **ASSISTANT REQUIRED FOR AFTER SCHOOL CARE:** Plimmerton School is looking for After School Care Assistant, one or two days per week. The position involves assisting with the supervision of children attending our After School Care Programme. An ability to relate well to children between 5 and 12 years, and skills in either arts & crafts, games or sports is desirable. The days are negotiable, 1 to 4 per week, hours 2.45 to 5.30 pm. To apply, please email Louise, office@plimmerton.school.nz - stating your relevant experience and availability.
- Wanted ice-cream containers with lids, large yoghurt containers with lids or something similar please for the Foods Room down at Tech. Thank you.



Green Scene

This week we met and planted some spring bulbs. If you have any seeds/plants that we can have we would be very grateful for them.

We tidied up the river gardens and will do some planting and weeding (weather permitting) next week. If you would like to help getting our gardens ready for spring we would love to see you.

Adi and the Green Team

Board of Trustees

Our Board of Trustees meets twice each term in the school library. The next meeting will be Wednesday 16 September. For further information, please [click here](#).

Healthy Kids Corner

TAMARILLOS - A HEALTHY FRUIT CHOICE FOR HEALTHY KIDS

Tamarillos are a delicious and nutritious fruit. They come in red, amber or gold varieties and are only available in the winter months. Tamarillos are juicy, tangy and packed fully of goodness. Tamarillos are a healthy fruit choice as they are very high in Vitamin C and they rate very highly as a source of vitamins, minerals and antioxidants when compared with other common fruits and vegetables.

Tamarillos are delicious when cut in half and eaten raw with a spoon. They are also delicious in a smoothie. Here's an easy tamarillo and apple crumble you could make for dessert one evening.

Tamarillo and Apple Crumble

Ingredients

4 tamarillos, peeled and sliced
 1 apple, peeled and sliced
 50g melted butter or margarine
 1/2 cup flour
 1/2 cup rolled oats
 1/2 cup coconut
 1/2 cup brown sugar
 1/2 tsp cinnamon

Spread the tamarillo and apple slices in a pie dish. Mix the butter, oats, flour, coconut, brown sugar and cinnamon together. Spread evenly on top of tamarillos. Bake at 200 degrees °C for 30-40 minutes or until golden brown. Serves 4.

Information sourced from **Tamarillo Fruit for Life from New Zealand.**



Sports News

BASKETBALL RESULTS

Plimmerton 1 - 12	Corinna - 24
Plimmerton 2 - 13	Adventure 2 - 21

KIWI HOCKEY RESULTS -

Plimmerton Green -	
Plimmerton Black - 6	Paremata Pythons - 0
Plimmerton Red - 0	Holy Family 2 - 7
Plimmerton Blue -	

JUNIOR NETBALL RESULTS

Plimmerton Magic -	
Plimmerton Mystics -	
Plimmerton Pulse - 4	Hampton Hill Dynamite - 5
Plimmerton Steel -	

UNDERWATER HOCKEY

The next tournament is set for Saturday 12 September. All players were given a letter yesterday (Wednesday 19 Aug) about this. Please contact Carole at caroles@plimmerton.school.nz if your child did not bring theirs home.

PTA News

- **LAST CHANCE TO GET YOUR 2015/2016 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK:** Thank you to all those people who have already purchased the 2015/2016 Entertainment Book. The last day for sales through the school office will be Friday 14th August. Orders can still be made through the website for the remainder of the year.
- **SAUSAGE SIZZLES:** 28 August and 18 September - \$1.50 sausage/\$1.50 drink
- We are holding the 2nd disco of the year on **Friday 11th September**. We will be having the **Years 1-4 disco from 6-7pm** and the **Years 5-8 disco from 7.30-9pm**. At each disco we need parent volunteers to help with a range of jobs (signing in/money collection/selling food and drinks). If you are available to help out at the discos please email jverran.nz@gmail.com. Please include the disco (Years 1-4 or Years 5-8) you are able to help out at.