

Plimmerton School Newsletter - Week 2, Term 1, 2018



From the Principal

Tēnā Koutou

PŌWHIRI WELCOME – Thank you to all students for their enthusiastic and respectful participation in the Term 1 Pōwhiri held last Tuesday. They made sure the welcome for our 34 new students and their families was a special occasion. Special commendations to the girls who carried out the karanga: Kate, Jayda, Maddy, Maia, Taela and Eilidh. Also to Eben (supported by Rob) for his expert use of te reo Māori in the whaikōrero on behalf for those being welcomed. Tamaiti ako i te kainga, tu ki te marae tau ana. (A child raised by his community to stand with pride to welcome visitors).



MEET THE TEACHER MEETINGS - These were held on Tuesday and were very well attended. Our teachers have found them very beneficial, so thank you to our parents and caregivers for taking the time to meet with your child's teacher and set up that positive partnership for your child's learning. If any parents were not able to make the interviews and wish to meet with their child's teacher they may email the teacher directly or contact the school office.

PARENTS TRANSPORTING STUDENTS - With many trips and events coming up where we are reliant on parent assistance, it is timely for a reminder of the school expectations for parents (and teachers) assisting with transport. These expectations are in place to ensure events run smoothly and to help us to keep our children safe. If transporting children please ensure that:

- your vehicle used for transport is warranted and registered, and as far as is reasonably known is in a safe condition
- you have a full driver licence and meet any conditions on it
- where possible students enter/exit vehicles from the footpath side, and where not possible they are guided as they enter/exit the car
- students are seated in rear seats,
- booster seats (which should be provided) are used for all students in Kōwhai syndicate and for students in Mana syndicate who are under 8 years old, and for those whose parents request their use
- before setting off a check is made that students are wearing seatbelts
- all road rules are followed
- when on route you avoid any unnecessary stops (refueling and toilet stops may be necessary)
- students (other than your own child) are **not** provided with any food/drink while travelling with you (a number of students have particular dietary requirements, and most parents would prefer students are not provided with treat foods without their knowledge)
- when dropping off students at the destination, or when returning them to school, the agreed handover or sign-off to staff is completed
- if there are any unforeseen delays or incidents the school is contacted as soon as possible



From the Principal...continued

TAUPŌ AND HONGOEKA CAMPS - IN THE EVENT OF EXTREME WEATHER: The long range weather forecast for next week is currently showing some drizzly days, and some heavier rain and high winds over Tuesday. We will be monitoring this closely, but at this stage we are expecting to be going ahead as planned. Rain should not stop most of the camps activities. If the weather reaches a point where staying in tents overnight is not safe, then on the Hongoeka camps we have a contingency to move the students into the cabins and dining room. On the Taupō camps we may have to make a call to finish a camp early. In that situation we would phone all parents, post information on the main page of the website and coordinate transport back to the school hall for students to be collected.

LIBRARY ASSISTANT POSITION - We are currently advertising this part-time position. It is term time only, and 9 hours a week (Tuesday 9am-2pm, Wednesday and Thursday (9am-11am). If interested please go to the vacancy page on the school website for further information and an application form.

Today's Roll – 479 Students

Ngā mihi
Mike Forrest
Tumuaki - Principal



HEALTHY KIDS CORNER

Healthy Kids Corner Preparing for Camp and Tramps

BUG SPRAY that really works!

ONEssentialCOMMUNITY.com

to a 4 oz spray bottle add...

- 2 oz witch hazel
- 2 oz distilled water
- 10 drops geranium
- 15 drops lavender
- 5 drops patchouli
- 10 drops lemongrass
- 10 drops citronella

shake well before each use
spray on clothes & exposed skin
reapply as often as needed

Lemon Eucalyptus Mosquito Repellent Ingredients:

Lemon Eucalyptus oil,
Sunflower oil or Witch
Hazel Directions: Mix 1 part
lemon eucalyptus oil for
every 10 parts of sunflower
oil/witch hazel. Rub or spray
on skin.

Healthy Scroggin Mix Recipe

- 1 cup raw almonds
- 3/4 cup raw cashews
- 5 raw brazil nuts, rough chopped
- 2/3 cup raw pumpkin seeds
- 1/3 cup raw sunflower seeds
- 2/3 cup air popped popcorn (no oil or salt added)
- 2 tablespoons unsweetened dried cranberries, chopped
- 2 tablespoons dark chocolate chip

Method: Chop any large ingredients if necessary to make everything about the same size. Brazil nuts may need to be made smaller and the dried cranberries so they distributed throughout the mix better. Give the dried fruit a light sprinkle of sea salt before you mix it in (it sticks better). Combine all ingredients in a bowl and enjoy! Store in an airtight container for up to 2 weeks.

Children feel more at ease when they know what to expect from Education Outside the Classroom. With upcoming school camps, sleepovers and walks you can support your children by spending time outdoors and testing the suitability of their footwear.

Some ideas for fun family walks or rides

<https://porirua.govt.nz/discover-porirua/walking-biking/walk/top-10-walks/>

Have fun Healthy Kids!



SCHOOL NEWS

Who can attend:

Year levels 0 – 8 at Plimmerton School

Before-school-care sessions:

7:00am – 8:30am: \$11

After-school-care sessions:

3:00pm – 4:30pm: \$11

3:00pm – 6:00pm: \$18

OSCAR
PROGRAMME
SUBSIDIES
AVAILABLE!
*Conditions apply

PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES

Kelly Club provides a variety of activities to ensure there is something for every child. Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age for certain activities depending on numbers.

Work & Income OSCAR Subsidy

Parents or caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WINZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information please go to www.workandincome.govt.nz or contact us. All Kelly Club programmes have been approved by Ministry of Social Development and meet all professional standards.

About Kelly Club

Kelly Club has been operating in the greater Wellington region for over 7 years and we are excited to now be working with the Plimmerton School community.

Email: plimmerton@kellyclub.co.nz

Phone: 021 246 1717

Facebook: #KellyClubPlimmerton



BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz



COMMUNITY



KERRY SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCING
 Beginner classes held
 Plimmerton School Hall
 Contact Sharon at kerrydancers@xtra.co.nz

Want to play Football??



Registration for **PUKERUA BAY SOCCER CLUB** for grades 7 (turning 7 in 2018) to 14 is now open:

- Registration closes 28th February 2017.
- Low Registration Fees: \$80 for grades 7-12 and \$90 for grades 13 & 14 (mixed competition), \$100 for Sunday girls' competition. Includes Nike shirt and shorts.
- Practices potentially in Pukerua Bay and/or Plimmerton (or wherever most suitable for team).
- Possible option for First Kicks (aged 4 and 5) if enough interest, please register your interest via email

To register or for more information visit www.pukeruabaysoccer.org.nz/ or call **Iain Maclean** (0274203056) or **Neil Snowling** (0212291739) or email pkb@pukeruabaysoccer.org.nz.

DRAMA CLASSES

Our international curriculum will:
 Help explore Performance skills, creativity, Overcome shyness, Develop positive self esteem,
 Grow their imagination, Interact with adults, Make new friends. Have lots of fun

**Fun after-school classes – 5 – 17 years Held in
 Khandallah, Tawa, Lower Hutt, Whitby**

To enrol please call or see our website.
0800 161 131 www.helenogradynz.co.nz

WELCOME TO A NEW RUGBY SEASON!

Paremata Plimmerton Junior Rugby registrations are now open online at www.gameforall.co.nz.
 Nursery to U13, 3 yrs to 13 yrs boys and girls! \$60 per player siblings \$100 for 2 or \$120 for 3 or more.
 Registration can be completed and uniforms collected at Paremata Plimmerton club rooms on
 Wednesday 28th Feb 5.30 - 8, Sat 3rd March 10 - 2, or our Canes in Club night on the 22nd March
 5.30 - 8, come on down and meet some of our local hurricanes. Payments can be made online
 or cash on the registration days. **FREE BALL** for every player who completes registration by the
 22nd March. Looking forward to a fantastic 2018 junior rugby season! Any questions please email
pareplimrjc@gmail.com.

MANA Montessori FAIR
 Presented by Mana Montessori Preschool

SATURDAY FEB 24 12PM TO 2.30

** Ainslie Allen as entertainment **

- > Bouncy castle
- > Face painting
- > Wacky hair
- > Pony rides
- > Kids' mini cars
- > Craft stalls
- > Games
- > Yummy food
- > Ice creams
- > Cake stall
- > Pre-loved toys
- > Books & clothes
- > Emergency services
- > Fantastic raffles
- > and much more!

Albatross Close, Whitby

PLIMMERTON
 Fun Run

EVENT :

- 21KM RUN
- 10KM RUN
- 5KM RUN OR WALK
- 2KM KIDS RUN

SUNDAY 25th FEBRUARY 2018
 Dress up/ Spot Prizes/ Family day out
 % of the profits to go to Plimmerton School