

Plimmerton School Newsletter - Week 1, Term 2, 2018



From the Principal

Tēnā Koutou

Welcome back to school after the school holidays and a warm welcome to those students and families that have just joined the school community. Also a special welcome to **Dianne Khan** who has joined our staff to teach in Room 1 while Stana Billot is on leave. I hope everyone had a good break and all are refreshed and ready to get into a busy term. The syndicate termly newsletters will be sent tomorrow morning, and these will highlight some of each syndicate's focus areas and events for the term.

PŌWHIRI – The Term 2 pōwhiri to welcome newcomers to the school will be held next Tuesday (8 May) at 9.15am. Invitations to attend have been sent home to the whānau of newcomers (manuhiri). If you or your child have missed being welcomed at a previous pōwhiri, then you are most welcome to come and join the pōwhiri with the group being welcomed into the school. Also any parents or family members who have been previously welcomed (tangata whenua) are most welcome to attend to help us welcome our new families. The Pōwhiri will be followed by morning tea for the manuhiri.

VALUES AWARDS - Congratulations to the students pictured, who were acknowledged at our last assembly for their demonstration of the school values. Our next assembly is next week - 9am Friday 11 May. Top row: Oliver, Max, Isabelle, Amy
3rd Row: Bella, Ruby, Campbell, Cohen, Aifili, Zara, Noah, Orion, Felix, Zac. 2nd Row: Olive, Freddy, Hugh, Petra, Alannah, William, Lennox, Tessa, Toby, Jamal, Corus. Front row: Rafael, Cory, Mya, Benson, Emily, Eva, Taylor, Hazel, Amber, Poppy, Quincy



LIBRARY REPLACEMENT UPDATE - Next Monday the Ministry of Education property team and McKenzie Higham Architects will be sharing some preliminary drawings with us. If all is proceeding well with these then we'll be able to display some design material soon.

NETBALL – Interschool netball competitions for Years 5-8 start this Saturday. We have 9 teams entered in the two different grades and games are held at Ngāti Toa domain. Each team has one or more coaches and a manager or two. I would like to thank school coordinators Alice Wohlers and Oli Ryks and all of the parents who have made themselves available to help with the teams. We wish all players an enjoyable and competitive season and remind spectators of the importance of modelling good sportsmanship on the side-lines.

CROSS COUNTRY 2018 - The Plimmerton School Cross Country event will be held on the school field on Friday 18th May (postponement date Monday 21st May). It will start at approx 9:15am and run until about 11am. All children are encouraged to participate and do their best. For year 4-8 students who are wanting to go further, the challenge is to get into the top 5 for their year level (boys/girls). These students will then compete in the Parumoana Cross Country event at



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Paekakariki in week 7 of this term. Parents are welcome and encouraged to come and support the children running. There will be some limited seating available for parents. Order of events:

- Year 6 boys and girls (Staggered start)
- Kowhai 5yr old girls
- Year 5 boys and girls (Staggered start)
- Kowhai 5yr old boys
- Year 7 boys and girls (Staggered start)
- Kowhai 6 & 7yr old girls
- Year 8 boys and girls (Staggered start)
- Kowhai 6 & 7yr old boys
- Year 3 girls and Year 4 boys (Staggered start)
- Year 3 boys and Year 4 girls (Staggered start)

Course maps for years 1-4 are available at this link: <https://goo.gl/y1x7ab>

YEAR 7 & 8 BASKETBALL TEAM: COACH NEEDED - The Year 7 and 8 Basketball competition is starting next week. Games will be on Wednesday after school. Last year Reuben Renner, a former Plimmerton School student and current Aotea College student coached a team. Reuben did a magnificent job, and we'd like to thank him for his expertise and commitment. Unfortunately Reuben's own sports schedule and our possible practice times aren't lining up this year. We would love to have a coach who has good knowledge and a love of the game. If this sounds like you and you were available once a week to take a weekly practice, either before school (8-9am), at lunchtime (1-2pm) or Thursday or Friday evening (6-7pm), then please contact Tim Parkes - timp@plimmerton.school.nz

SPORTS CODE - With winter sports getting underway we thought it would be a good time to remind all involved of our expectations for players, coaches/managers and spectators. Please click [here](#) for our Codes of Conduct for each of these groups. They have been adapted from the APPLAUD programme developed by the NZRFU. If we all keep to the codes then our young sports-people will enjoy their sport, develop a good sporting attitude, and are likely to be more involved in sport as they grow older.

PINK SHIRT DAY - FRIDAY 18th MAY - The aim of this day is to promote inclusion and acceptance of diversity in schools, workplaces and communities, so all people feel safe, valued and respected. This is also the same day as our Cross Country event. We would like to encourage students and adults attending to wear something pink. The student council are also organising an 'Anti-Bullying' interaction afternoon, following the school cross-country. Students will be in mixed groups and will rotate through several activities supporting this theme.

YUMMY FRUIT STICKER PROMOTION - Each year the Yummy Fruit Company gives away over \$200,000 worth of PE gear to primary schools. If you shop at New World or Pak'n Save and happen to buy Yummy fruit products please get your child/ren to bring the fruit stickers or special labels from the bags to school. Each class has some collection sheets, and we should easily be able to get enough stickers over the next two terms to gain several thousand dollars worth of equipment.



TRAFFIC AND SAFETY ON THE COURTYARD - In the interest of student safety no vehicles should be driven on the top courtyard between 8am and 6pm on School days. The Kelly Club after school care is now operating out of the hall and we have a number of sports practices on the courts before and after school, so there are more students on and around the courts area.

Today's Roll – 485 Students

Ngā mihi
Mike Forrest
Tumuaki - Principal



SCHOOL NEWS

ANZAC DAY

On ANZAC day a group of 18 students from Plimmerton School participated in the Porirua ANZAC parade and service. Savannah Gritt and Amy Wood lay a wreath at the cenotaph on behalf of Plimmerton School. The wreath was kindly made by parent Katrin Ellison. A large number of our students also participated in the parade as part of other groups.



STU DUVAL

Stu Duval has been captivating students today with his amazing storytelling, and artistic skills. Over the 2 days Stu is taking workshops on cartooning as well as sharing his storytelling and writing expertise. Stu has published more than 20 books and tomorrow he will have a stall in the hall from 8:30 am-9am and 3-3:30 pm for parents and children to purchase books. All his books are \$20 and he can only accept cash. He is happy to sign any books he sells. If you would like to know more about Stu and his books, visit his website - www.studuval.co.nz





SCHOOL NEWS

ANZAC COOKIES

Room 15 and room 5 have been baking up a storm! They are selling the Anzac cookies tomorrow lunch time outside the office - all funds raised will go to the RSA. Cookies cost a gold coin donation. Each cookie comes in a separate bag with a specially decorated icon of Anzac. Gluten free are available too. Many thanks for your support.

NETBALL SKILLS

Year Four Netball Skills is starting up again and will begin in week 2. If any parents are able to come and help out on Thursday lunchtimes (1.10-1.45) it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Kansas if you are interested in lending a hand - kansasd@plimmerton.school.nz

PINK SHIRT DAY

We would like to inform you about Pink Shirt Day. This is a day we will have this term that supports an anti-bullying message "speak up, stand together, stop bullying". It is on Friday May 18th (Cross Country Day) and we are encouraging students to dress in pink. There is also a coin trail we will have where students can bring a gold coin to school and the money that's raised will go to the Pink Shirt Day organisation to continue getting the anti-bullying message out there. As this is cross-country day, your child could wear their running gear in the morning and then change into pink for the interaction day activities. They could also wear pink running clothes. We hope everyone takes part in this anti-bullying day and spreads the message that bullying is never okay.

This message was brought to you by Brooke Cooper and Saskia Janssen - Student Council representatives.

TAUPO, HONGOEKA AND MANA SYNDICATE PHOTOS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Plimmerton Primary School Photos on Wednesday 16th May 2018

We will photograph portraits of all students as well as class photos.
You do not order/pay for your child's portraits or class photos until AFTER PHOTODAY.
 You will receive an order form featuring a photo of your child after photoday. (Packs available below)

<p>Pack A \$40.00</p>	<p>Pack B \$35.00</p>	<p>Pack C \$29.50</p>	<p>Pack prices (do not pay now)</p> <p>A = 40.00 B = 35.00 C = 29.50 D = 20.00 E = 15.00</p>
<p>Pack D (Portraits) \$20.00</p>	<p>Pack E (Class) \$15.00</p>		

Packs include:
 Pack A: 10x15, 2x4x6, Portraits, Wallets, Calendar and Class
 Pack B: 10x15, Portraits, Wallets, and Class
 Pack C: 10x15 and Class
 Pack D: 2x4x6, Portraits, Wallets, and Class
 Pack E: Class only

Complimentary
 Packs of 100 photos for the teacher. Please
 call on the included teacher to us, and we will
 be there to help.

A, B & D include a complimentary 8x11 photo.

Family/Sibling Photos: Order form is on reverse of advice note which your child will bring home or you can go to Family Order Form at www.schoolmemories.co.nz to download a form. Order form MUST be returned to school office before photoday for photo to be taken.



STUDENT NEWS

THE KIDS' LIT QUIZ 2018

Intimidated and excited at the same time..... On Wednesday 11th April two teams were selected to take part in the annual Kids' Lit Quiz. Eight talented Taupo and Hongoeka students went head to head competing against 70 other regional schools. This was held at Samuel Marsden Collegiate School in Karori. We participated in two teams of four where we were asked to answer 100 questions on children's literature. The experience was both stressful and fun.

We had to work cooperatively, whisper, sit strategically and share our book knowledge. The Taupo team was Izzy, Lexi, Ethan and Connie. The Hongoeka team was Emma, Nala, Mia and Lauree. Years dedicated to reading finally paid off, thank you to our great team members. One team had to take part in a sudden death round, twice! We won some prizes.

Thank you to Sarah, Helen and Seren for taking us and Mr Forrest for making provision for this great opportunity. Sarah and Helen will be scouting for the next year's Kids' Lit Quiz team members. The Quiz Master advocates reading 52 books a year! Can you take up this challenge? If you can answer these questions and read a range of books it may be something for you.

Sample questions;

- Who is Padfoot ?
- What are the creatures called with blue hands and green bodies?
- How many players are in a Quidditch team?
- What is Lola's brothers name?





COMMUNITY

Jennian
 13 MAY 2018

mothers day
 5KM FUN RUN

Where: 10.05am | Sunday 13th May, 2018
 Where: Aotea Lagoon, Papakōwhiri, Porirua

Join us for a 5km run, walk or stroll this Mother's Day. It'll be a great start to the day and you'll be doing your bit to help fund heart disease. All participants will receive an event t-shirt designed by DUK PIZZELL.

Register online at jennianmothersday.com

Heart Foundation for Women

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Early Years Seminar
 Tuesday 15th May 2018 - Doors open 7pm
 Presentation starts 7.30pm

Host: Beachside Church
 Venue: Beachside Church
 Ulrich Street, Plimmerton (industrial)

RSVP to Carmen Taylor by 5th May.
 Phone 021 973 884 or
 Email: clortuinbridal@gmail.com
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www.brainwave.org.nz



We are thrilled to be opening a branch of DancePointe Academy in Plimmerton with enrolments for Term 2 open now. RAD ballet classes commence in Plimmerton on Saturday mornings for the ages of 5-9yrs. Beginners in this age group are welcome. Register for a free trial class held on Saturday 14th April.

Contact Sharon
dancepointenz@gmail.com
www.dancepointe.co.nz
 mobile 021-2151222

WORKING BEE

1st Thursday of every month
 7pm - 9pm

St Andrew's Church
 Steyne Avenue, Plimmerton

We will be doing demos, so come and learn to make your own reusable bag.

All welcome; cutters, sewers; anyone. Materials provided

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SPEECH AND DRAMA AND PUBLIC SPEAKING LESSONS
 available in Camborne.
 Contact New Zealand Speech Board Teacher
 Roz Baxter
jonnyrozb@xtra.co.nz or 027-6939573