

Plimmerton School Newsletter - Week 7, Term 2, 2018



From the Principal

Tēnā Koutou

KOWHAI PARENT READING MEETING

Thank you to the parents from Kowhai syndicate who attended the meetings on Monday morning and evening. For parents who were unable to attend there are packets available containing material that was shared at the meetings. Please ask your child's teacher if you would like one of these.

MATARIKI CONCERT

Our Matariki concert will be held on Thursday 5th July at 6:30. Matariki is about celebrating whānau and the coming year, and Mana and Kowhai syndicates would love to invite you to this concert to share what they have been doing within their music and kapa haka programmes. The Mana and Kowhai students will have artwork on display in the hall and parents are encouraged to view their work before or after the concert. Due to the senior school currently practising for their production, Hongoeka and Taupo syndicates will not be participating in a Matariki concert this year, however some Hongoeka and Taupō students will be supporting the tamariki o Mana and Kōwhai syndicates, also SWEETS, the senior school wind ensemble will be performing. The senior school will be cooking up some hupa (soup) and bread to sell on the night for a gold coin donation. Soup will be served from 5:45.

INFORMATION SHARING INTERVIEWS

Teachers will be meeting with parents on the afternoons/evenings of Tuesday 31 July and Thursday 2 August to share students progress and achievement and their Mid-Year Reports. Booking information will be available in next weeks newsletter.

SCIENCE LIVE

Kowhai syndicate held their "Science Live" afternoon today and the classrooms were brimming with parents and excited children sharing their learning about "Kitchen Science".

Mana, Hongoeka and Taupo syndicates invite parents to their "Science Live" afternoon on Thursday 28th June from 2-3pm.

Mana syndicate have been learning about space including, the life of an astronaut and what it's like to live in space. They are looking forward to sharing their learning and showing off their spaceships they have created.

Hongoeka Syndicate have this term become not only Physicists, but have also dabbled in the science of Botany. Want to learn more about forces? Ever wondered about Photosynthesis? Your child will share with you the science behind water bottle rockets, plants and plant growth and space.

Taupo syndicate have been working on a "Planet Creation Project" where they have created their own planets, complete with species, unique weather conditions and orbital pathways. They look forward to sharing these planets with you.



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SUITABLE CLOTHING IN INCLEMENT WEATHER

Teachers have been concerned about the clothing students are wearing to and from, and at school, now that the weather is cooler and certainly much wetter. At lunchtimes we encourage the children to play outside, unless it is raining, so they get some fresh air and exercise before the afternoon programme begins. Could parents please ensure their children bring suitable clothing for the winter weather.

WACKY HAIR/WIG DAY

Next Wednesday is "Wacky Wig day". This is a national fundraising initiative for the Child Cancer Foundation. The students are encouraged to come to school wearing a wig or with wacky hair, and to bring a gold coin to place on the coin trail. The student council have prizes for the class with the most children with a wig on or wacky hair. They also have some individual prizes for the wackiest hairdo.

PARUMOANA CROSS COUNTRY

What an awesome day at the Parumoana interschool cross country at Queen Elizabeth Park. Our team of Runners did exceptionally well - both on the course, and in how they supported and encouraged each other! We'll have full results, photos and a student write up next week, but here are some noteworthy results.

1st place individuals: Liam Dunlop-Brown (Y7 Boys), Saskia Janssen (Y8 Girls)

1st place teams: Y5 Girls, Y6 Girls, Y8 Boys, Y8 Girls

1st place school overall: Plimmerton School!

MATHEMATICS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The staff are now into their second year of professional development in mathematics. We have been guided by Julie Roberts, Education Advisor, NZCER. This week staff have been participating in syndicate workshops to analyse student maths progress and achievement in preparation for interviews early next term. Some of you may remember a wonderful maths evening we held for whanau last year. We are planning to hold a similar evening later this year, where we will share some of the maths we have been implementing and offer ways you can help with mathematics at home.

TEACHERS UNION MEETING

On Wednesday 27th June at 2 pm teachers who are members of the NZEI will be attending a paid union meeting. School will remain open and students will be supervised by non union member staff.

YEAR 7 VISION TESTING - INFORMATION FOR CAREGIVERS

Regional Public Health provides a vision screening programme for all Year 7 students.

- **Vision** - pupils will be advised of results at the time of screening. If further assessment is recommended you will be notified by email.
- **Children who wear glasses** and/or are under professional care and have regular checks will not require a vision check from our service.
- **Non-consent** - please notify your school if you do not want your child being screened.

This screening is not a full assessment of your child's vision. If you have any concerns, please see an optometrist.



From the Principal...continued

VALUES AWARDS - Congratulations to the students pictured below, who were acknowledged at our last assembly for their demonstration of the school values. Our next assembly is 9am Friday 6 July, the last day of term.



Today's Roll - 494

Ngā mihi
Mike Forrest
Tumuaki - Principal



PTA NEWS

THE WORLD FAMOUS IN PORIRUA QUIZ IS COMING - FRIDAY 17TH AUGUST

Its that time again.....planning is well underway for the Plimmerton School Quiz Night on Friday 17th of August. Get your team of 8 people together. The cost of a table is \$250 which includes 8 people and platters from Sarah Searancke Catering.

Proudly hosted by Bridget and Richard, please email to reserve your table bridgeandrichie@gmail.com

WE NEED YOU! The PTA are looking for donation of prizes for raffle and silent auctions. We also need helpers for the night, if you can get involved please email pta@plimmerton.school.nz.

Plimmerton School is raising funds. Order and receive your NEW 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Membership!

Supporting our fundraising by purchasing the 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Membership from us today. Hundreds of great value offers are ready for your enjoyment, while also helping our fundraising! Be quick, the new Membership is selling fast!

Please contact Mel Clark on 021 02503592 if you'd like to discuss what the Entertainment book is all about - "I had one when they first came out 20 years ago but had stopped buying them for several years and started again in 2015. I'm really enjoying the benefits and changes with the membership and it's reception at restaurants - it's certainly very easy to get back (and surpass) the \$65 cost and the digital app is fantastic!"

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SPORTS RESULTS

SENIOR NETBALL RESULTS – Saturday 9 June		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Navy	Papakowhai Stars	10-20	Jemma Staunton
Plimmerton Dragons	Whitby Blue	9-11	Ellie Bayliss and Milla Klausen
Plimmerton Pauas	Papakowhai Lightening	7-20	Laurenca Perawiti
Plimmerton Gold	Paremata Pulse	18-16	Katie Ballentyne

JUNIOR NETBALL RESULTS – Saturday 9 June		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Wildcats	St Pius X1	3-6	Ava Merenheimo
Plimmerton Pumas		7-11	Aspen Smallbone.
Plimmerton Falcons	SFXXPRESS	3-6	Olivia cotton
Plimmerton Nightmares			
Plimmerton Phoenix	Green Ferns	34-0	Chloe Taylor

BASKETBALL RESULTS – Wednesday 13 June		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton	Adventure 2	36-7	Eben Whiteman

HOCKEY RESULTS – Saturday 9 June		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Pumas			
Plimmerton Shortsticks			
Plimmerton Panthers	Linden	2-4	Angel Powell
Plimmerton Sharks	Pauatahanui Hawks	4-5	Hope Glensor
Plimmerton Storm	Linden 1	4-0	Amelia Short



HEALTHY KIDS CORNER

MATARIKI A FAMILY NIGHT OUT

Matariki; is the Māori name for the cluster of stars also known as the Pleiades or The Seven Sisters. It rises in mid-winter – late May or early June. For many Māori, it heralds the start of a new year.

Matariki literally means the 'eyes of god' (mata ariki) or 'little eyes' (mata riki). **Matariki**, was one of those celestial objects that were very significant for navigation in the Pacific. **Matariki** is celebrated with education, remembrance and the planting of new trees and crops signalling new beginnings. Matariki marks the passing of the old year and the beginning of the New Year, according to the Māori lunar calendar.

June 7th is listed as the day Matariki sets and July 6-9th as the rising which is when you can see Matariki just above the horizon before the sun comes up.

Matariki is officially celebrated on 15th June 2018.

Here are some Matariki stories for you to view with your whanau:

- [The Story of Matariki](#)
- [Matariki](#)

You could celebrate this special event with you whanau.....

Matariki 2018 – Te Korekore June 24 2018, 2pm Main Gallery, Pātaka Entry by Koha. **Puoro Taiwhanga Aotearoa (CMNZ)** present a Matariki inspired tour that showcase elements of chamber music, Māori music and storytelling. This project will be presented during the festival of Matariki (June/July, 2018). This is to be a family-friendly, cross-cultural event where audience members of all ages and ethnicities will feel welcome and included, as they enjoy the music and storytelling that has shaped Aotearoa.

MUSIC: The performance will include several significant works by New Zealand composers for flute and taonga puoro including: [Te Hau o Tawhirimatea](#) by Philip Brownlee [Hineraukatauri](#) by Gillian Whitehead

For additional information on the performers click here: [2018 Matariki CMNZ Te Korekore Brief Te Papa- Te Papa Matariki Festival 2018](#)

Keep an eye out for Plimmerton School's Matariki celebration which takes place in Week 10 of this term.

Enjoy a night of star gazing Healthy Kids!





IT'S COOL TO KORERO!

Kia ora whānau,

Here's our kupu mā tēnei wiki:

pukapuka - book
(pook-are-pook-are)

Try saying,

"Read me your pukapuka, please John."

"What pukapuka are you getting out from the library today?"

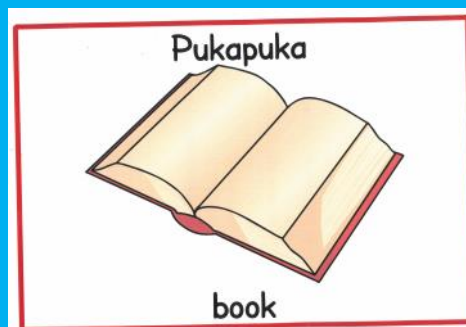
"How many pukapuka have you read this week?"

What was your favourite pukapuka in reading time?"

Ngā mihi,

Whaea Emma

Give it a go - remember - **IT'S COOL TO KŌRERO!**



SCHOOL NEWS

KELLY CLUB
PROGRAMMES, OPPORTUNITIES, & ACTIVITIES THAT KIDS JUST LOVE!

KIDS' HOME AWAY FROM HOME!

OUR PROGRAMMES ARE FOCUSED AROUND SPORTS, COOKING, DISCOVERY TIME, ART & CRAFT ACTIVITIES AND STRUCTURED 'FREE-TIME' AFTER A BUSY DAY AT SCHOOL.

These activities will be incorporated into themed subjects each week that give children the opportunity to extend their learning outside of the school classroom. An opportunity to complete homework will also be available.

We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children and are provided with training on first aid, behaviour management, child protection and activity planning and delivery.

FOR INFORMATION OR TO BOOK ONLINE GO TO
www.kellyclub.co.nz

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

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 Plimmerton

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.

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