

Plimmerton School Newsletter - Week 8, Term 2, 2018



From the Principal

Tēnā Koutou

EDUCATION SYSTEM SURVEYS - The Ministry of Education is currently seeking feedback on many elements of and directions for Education in New Zealand. Parents are encouraged to share their views. Currently there are the following surveys:

- Education Conversation - laying the foundation for the future of education in New Zealand
- Tomorrow's Schools review
- Assessing and reporting achievement and progress across the curriculum
- NCEA
- Early Learning Strategic Plan

Please go to <https://conversation.education.govt.nz/> for further information and links to the surveys.

PERMISSION FORMS GOING ONLINE

We are transitioning to trip/event information being emailed to parents/caregivers and the permission slips being completed online. This will make it easier for parents to receive and respond to notices (no more notices lost in the bottom of school bags!). This will also help the school to be more environmentally friendly by reducing paper consumption.

If you change your email address, it is very important to let the office know. You could use the "update details" function on the SchoolStream app to do this. We know many people have very busy inboxes! To help you identify which emails need to be actioned we will start all trip and event emails requiring a response with "Permission - "

Trip information and links to permission forms will also be available on the school website and the SchoolStream smartphone app.

Responses are made through a google form. The information below shows which browsers and phone operating systems should work. If you have difficulty with a form, please call or visit the office.

Google Forms work with the 2 most recent versions of the following browsers (unless specified otherwise). Make sure cookies and JavaScript are turned on for your browser.

- Chrome
- Firefox
- Windows only: Internet Explorer 11, Microsoft Edge
- Mac only: Safari

Other browsers may work, but you might not be able to use all of the features.

Android Phones - Android version 4.4 or up.

iPhones and iPads - iOS 8.0

MATARIKI 2018

Matariki is the traditional Māori New Year, and is a time to celebrate friends and whānau, both past and present. It was also the traditional harvest celebration - if the stars were seen to be bright and clear, planting would begin in September. However, if the stars were





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clustered tightly together and hazy or dim, then the coming winter was predicted to be cold and planting was put off til October.

We are lucky that in Whanganui-a-Tara (Wellington) we have lots of opportunities to celebrate Matariki with friends and whānau. Both Wellington and Porirua City Councils have amazing events planned over the next fortnight.

Wellington City Council are celebrating Matariki with a fireworks display at Te Papa on Saturday 24 June from 6.30. There will be another display on Saturday 7 July, known as the Wellington Sky Show. Wrap up warm and enjoy the spectacular sights that are replacing the traditional Guy Fawkes display!

EVENTS COMING UP - It's a busy couple of weeks ahead to finish the term!

- Monday 25 June - Kapiti College Open Day for Year 8s
- Tuesday 26 - Thursday 28 June - Kōwhai classes trips to Pataka
- Tuesday 26 June, 2-3pm - Science Live afternoon for Mana, Hongoeka and Taupō Syndicates - PLEASE NOTE THE DATE WAS INCORRECT IN LAST WEEKS NEWSLETTER
- Tuesday 26 June, 7-9pm Kapiti College Parent Evening
- Friday 29 June - Taupō Syndicate Cultural and Sports exchange with Brandon Intermediate
- Tuesday 3 July - Regional Cross Country at Harcourt Park, Upper Hutt (postponement Day Thursday 5 July)
- Thursday 5 July - Matariki Celebration: Soup available on Hongoeka deck from 5.45pm, Concert in the Hall at 6.30pm
- Friday 6 July, 9.15am - School Assembly in the Hall
- Friday 6 July - school finishes for the term at 3pm, the usual time

Today's Roll – 497 Students

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.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Sausage sizzle postponed, the next one will be on Friday, 06th July.

Our next PTA meeting is on Tuesday, 03rd July at 7.30pm in the staff room. New members welcome.

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 02102503592.

**SUP-
PORT US
NOW**

IT'S COOL TO KORERO!

Kia ora whānau,

Here's our kupu for this week:
waea pūkoro - cellphone or smartphone
wire poo-kor-raw

Try it at home -
"Please turn off your waea pūkoro now."
"Could you please answer the waea pūkoro?"
"Have you got your waea pūkoro?"

Have fun! It's cool to kōrero!



Waea pūkoro



cellphone or smartphone



HEALTHY KIDS CORNER

HEALTHY KIDS AND SCIENCE

Science projects help develop resourcefulness, curiosity and are fun to do as a family. We all want our children to be inquisitive and active learners. Science encourages prediction, collaboration and discussion, further developing language skills.

In their pursuit of knowledge children are prone to poking, pulling, tasting, mixing, pounding, shaking and experimenting. They seek out problems to solve. Trial and error is an important aspect when learning in science.



Some great experiments to try out at home:

Science for kids

Make Butter - [Make your own butter](#)

Dancing Raisins Experiment - [Make your raisins dance](#)

Healthy Teeth Experiment (using eggs) [Healthy Teeth](#)

Colour Marbling [Marbled Colours](#)

Oobleck [Goopy Oobleck Fun](#)

A Lemon Volcano <https://babbledabbledo.com/science-activity-kids-lemon-volcano/>

The Water Cycle [Make it rain](#)

A Tornado in a Bottle [Make it spin](#)

Make a Bath Bomb [Bath Bombs](#)

Invisible Ink [A Secret Message](#)

Exploding Bag [Pop goes the Weasel](#)

Clucking Cup [Chicken Sounds in a Cup](#)

Mana, Hongoeka and Taupo students are holding a Science afternoon on the Tuesday of Week 9 (Kowhai Syndicate held a science afternoon in Week 7).

Your children will look forward to sharing their science ideas with you.

See you there, Healthy Kids!



SPORTS RESULTS

SENIOR NETBALL RESULTS – Saturday 16 June		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Navy	Plimmerton Gold	27-8	Lily Keating and Flora Smith
Plimmerton Dragons	Plimmerton Pauas	9-5	Charlie Pratt/Eilidh O'Hare-Quirke
Plimmerton Pauas	Dragons	5-9	Acacia Nutall
Plimmerton Gold	Plimmerton Navy	8-27	

JUNIOR NETBALL RESULTS – Saturday 16 June		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Wildcats			
Plimmerton Pumas			
Plimmerton Falcons			
Plimmerton Nightmares	Pauatahanui Rockets	16-6	
Plimmerton Phoenix			

HOCKEY RESULTS – Saturday 16 June		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Pumas	Rangikura Raptors	10-0	Evie Smith
Plimmerton Shortsticks			
Plimmerton Panthers	Greensticks Toru	3-2	Hamish Brown
Plimmerton Sharks	Linden	3-3	Isaac Swallow
Plimmerton Storm			
Plimmerton			

BASKETBALL RESULTS – Wednesday 20 June		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton	Bye		

SCHOOL NEWS

WIG WEDNESDAY/WACKY HAIR DAY

On Wednesday the 20th of June the Plimmerton School student council hosted a Wig Wednesday or Wacky Hair Day. It was very cool to come to school and see all the people either wearing a wig or with wacky hair. I liked how most people were taking part, from the year 1's to the year 8's. We had 1 winner from each syndicate who won a very special prize. We had one class who had everyone in their class dress up. It was a really hard decision to choose winners as there were some very creative wacky hair. Many of the teachers also arrived at school with a wig or wacky hair. We had a coin trail in the hall and raised nearly \$400 for the Child Cancer Foundation. I would like to thank and congratulate everyone who dressed up on a successful Wig Wednesday.

By Izzy Lauder





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CROSS COUNTRY

On the 15th June, 50 very nervous but excited Plimmerton students jumped on a bus to head to the Parumoana Inter-School Cross Country Tournament. After it had already been postponed once, we were very lucky to have the sun shining down on us.

The students had to run up and down hills and through muddy patches. They had to avoid cow poo and sprint as fast as they could across the finish line. There were high-fives all round as all of our runners ran the very best they could.



We are very proud of everyone who participated. Not just because you all gave 100%, and not just because we won the whole tournament (although we are extremely excited about that!), but because you all consistently supported each other through all of the races with your clapping and cheering.



A big thank you to Gavin, Sarah and Mike who helped out with the organisation and allowed the day to run smoothly. Another big thank you to all the parents who came along to support the runners, and a HUGE thanks to the two parents who helped out being marshalls for all the races.

We are looking forward to Regionals which is happening on the 3rd July, good luck to all those students that are participating in that event. Fingers crossed for good weather! Places:





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Year Four Girls:
Lola Brown - 2nd
Pippa Cairns - 6th
Molly Sherriff - 12th
Evie Smith - 14th
Tilly Fyfe-Gits - 18th

Year Four Boys:
Samuel Klausen - 7th
Fergus Gollan - 19th
Theo Wall - 21st
Riley Pratt - 35th
William Pennington - 38th

Year Five Girls:
Yasmin Rodda - 4th
Milla Pratt - 5th
Issy De Hair - 6th
Margo Callaghan - 16th
Chloe Sherriff - 17th

Year Five Boys:
Zack Kimmins - 2nd
Caue Watson - 10th
Tommy Clarke - 11th
Zac Layfield - 32nd
Felix Thomas - 36th

Year Six Girls:
Lauree Penty - 3rd
Isabella McKeivitt - 4th
Holly McManaway - 18th
Phoebe Keating - 19th
Amelie Flowers - 20th

Year Six Boys:
Lewis Jeffreys - 7th
Maui Pomare - 9th
Ra Pomare - 10th
Henry Lock - 11th
Jack Lock - 16th

Year Seven Girls:
Milla Klausen - 5th
Lana Weers - 7th
Flora Smith - 8th
Charlie Pratt - 9th
Georgia Webb - 12th

Year Seven Boys:
Liam Dunlop-Brown - 1st
Malakye Paterson - 4th
Luke Gilmour - 6th
Casey van der Hoeven-Browes - 8th
Leo Johnson - 11th

Year Eight Girls:
Saskia Janssen - 1st
Kate Barham - 2nd
Lily Keating - 8th
Amy Wood - 25th
Zara Weinstein - DNF

Year Eight Boys:
Nathan Butchard - 2nd
Karlos Garcia-Grace - 5th
Riley McKeivitt - 7th
Oliver Feint - 9th
Carter Sidwell - 14th



SCHOOL NEWS

WELLINGTON REGIONAL PRIMARY CHESS TOURNAMENT

A group of us participated in the Wellington Regional Chess Tournament on Wednesday 20 June. We came 19 place out of 33 groups. Many schools competed so this was a great achievement. We won 13 games, drew 3 and lost 8. Our overall score was 11.5 points. Eastern Hutt won with 24 points and they will be going to nationals along with Thorndon, and Johnsonville Schools.

Thank you to Orion's mum Coralie for transporting and spending the day with us. We had a great time.

By Lewis, Nala, Orion and Chloe





COMMUNITY NEWS

TALENT FOR CHARITY

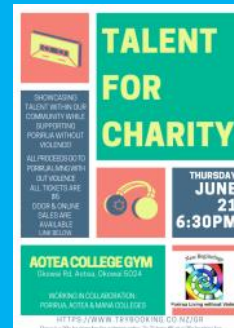
Student leaders at Aotea College have been working in collaboration with other schools in Porirua to create an Inter School Talent Quest. All proceeds from this event will go to the charity Porirua Living Without Violence. This is a competition for talent quest finalists from Porirua, Mana and Aotea College. Other local talent will also be performing on the night. Bring whanau and friends and make this a night to celebrate the amazing talent within our community! Food trucks will also be on site.

When: Thursday 21st June, 6.30pm. Doors open at 6pm

Where: Aotea College Gym

Cost: \$5 (+ 30c booking fee)

Buy Tickets Online: <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/GR>



"BACK TO THE 80'S! – The Totally Awesome Musical Written by Neil Gooding"

By arrangement with David Spicer Productions www.davidspicer.com.au

Aotea College's Senior Performing Arts class bring you *Back to the 80's*. From the era that brought the world The Rubik's Cube, Max Headroom and The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles comes this "totally awesome" musical in the style of movies such as Back To The Future, Ferris Bueller's Day Off, The Karate Kid and The Wedding Singer.

Join the graduating class of William Ocean High School as they live through their final senior year - as they experience the fun, the heartbreak, the loves and the loneliness of growing up.... all set to the biggest hits of the 80's!! Set in the USA, Back To The 80's tells the story of the senior class of William Ocean High School that graduated in the 1980's, as remembered and seen through the eyes of Corey Palmer, who is now 30-something. The newly formed Senior Performing Arts Course have been working towards this school musical since term 1 and are proud to present it to the public in Week 9.

When: Friday 29th June at 7pm, Saturday 30th June at 2pm and 7pm


Where: Te Manawa, Aotea College

Cost: \$5 (+ 30c booking fee)

Buy Tickets Online: <https://www.trybooking.co.nz>



Incredibles 2
Movie Fundraiser - Ngati Toa Sea Venturers



Please support our Venturers to travel to Venture 2019 which is being held in Kawakawa, Northland from 31 December 2018 through to 11 January 2019.

Details:

Date: 4 July 2018 (Wednesday)
 Location: Lighthouse Paoutohani
 Time: 5.45pm arrival for a 6.15pm screening
 Cost: \$20 per ticket
 Contact: Sarah Semple sarahsemple@outlook.com (021) 607942

If paying by internet banking: The Fundraising A/c, 38-9014-0583404-08. Include your name and "travel" in the reference fields. Then email your order and details of transaction to: sarahsemple@outlook.com

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MID WINTER DIP
 KAREHANA BAY
 PLIMMERTON

24TH JUNE 2018

Sunday from 11am - 1pm
 Dip at 12pm

 PlimmertonMidWinterDip