

Plimmerton School Newsletter - Week 3, Term 3, 2018



Providing a learning environment that prepares children for life

From the Principal

Kia Ora Koutou

PŌWHIRI WELCOME – Thank you to all students for showing their manaaki (respect and care) by participating so well in the Term 3 Pōwhiri. This made sure the welcome for our new students and their families was a special occasion. Special commendations to the girls who carried out the karanga: Eilidh, Jayda, Kate, Laurenca, Maddie, Maia and Taela. Also to Karlos and Eben for their use of te reo Māori in the delivery of welcome speeches. Tamaiti ako i te kainga, tu ki te marae tau ana. (A child raised by his community to stand with pride to welcome visitors).

REMINDER: TEACHER STRIKE AND SCHOOL CLOSURE - The teachers union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, has announced their intention to hold a full day strike on Wednesday 15th August. The Board of Trustees has decided that Plimmerton School will close for that day. Families will need to make alternative arrangements for the care of their children on the 15th of August.. Kelly Club will be offering a programme for the day. They'll be open from their normal time 7am through to 6pm. For details and various booking options <https://www.kellyclub.co.nz/plimmerton>. If you have any queries or concerns about this please contact the school office or email bot@plimmerton.school.nz. Some parents have asked what the teachers negotiations are about. Schools are facing a teacher shortage crisis, with a 40% drop in people training to be teachers; and a growing number of school-aged children. Many schools are struggling to find enough staff to teach our children. There is also a need for more support for children with additional learning needs. There aren't enough specialist teachers to give your children the education they deserve. Teachers are campaigning for:

- more teachers - so your children can get more attention
- More resources/staff to support children with additional learning needs
- A pay jolt to salaries for teachers to address the teacher shortage

REMINDER: FISH AND CHIPS - Students in Years 4 to 8 may buy fish and chips from our local shop. This is a long-standing tradition for an 'occasional treat' lunch option at the discretion of parents. The regular fish and chip shop is closed, so students may use the other fish and chip shop for now. Parents please be aware that:

1. Students must have a signed and dated note from their parent/carer, giving them permission to walk to the fish and chip shop. (Parents/carers need to be aware that this does require their child crossing a pedestrian crossing).
2. Students must sign out at the school office, and show their permission letter, before going to the shop, and sign back in at the school office when they return to school (see above).
3. This option is only for fish and chips - not soft/energy drinks, snacks or sweets from the dairy/cafes

YEAR 7 BOOSTRIX VACCINATION - This vaccination is given to 11 year-old boys and girls (Year 7s) through a school vaccination programme. The vaccine is for Tetanus, Diphtheria and Whooping Cough. The School Based Immunisation Team will be here next week on Thursday 16 August. A parent consent form should have been supplied to all parents of Year 7 students earlier this year and needs to be returned to the classroom teacher or office by Tuesday 14 August. A consent form needs to be



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completed for every child whether or not you want them to have the immunisation. If your child has received any immunisation in the last few months, or you have any questions, please contact a member of the immunisation team on 04 587 2949. Further information, and replacement consent forms are available at the following link: <https://www.health.govt.nz/resource/year-7-immunisation-tetanus-diphtheria-and-whooping-cough-pertussis-boostrix%E2%84%A2-vaccine>

ENROLMENTS FOR 2019 - It is coming up to that time of year when we start to plan classes for next year. Do you have a child starting school in 2019? To pre-enrol your child (or check if they are already pre-enrolled) please contact the school office or go to the enrolment page on the school website. If you know of any friends or family in our zone who may not have pre-enrolled their child please encourage them to contact us too. Students who live in the home zone are entitled to enrol at the school.

Out of Zone Enrolments: Each year the board determines how many places are available for out of zone students in the following year. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone. Applications from out of zone students will be processed in the following order of priority:

- First priority-special programmes, not applicable
- Second priority-children who are siblings of current students
- Third priority-children who are siblings of former students
- Fourth priority-children of a former student of the school
- Fifth priority-children of board members or board employees
- Sixth priority-all other applicants

Those parents wishing to enrol children who live outside the school enrolment zone will need to complete an application for an out of zone place. Enrolment forms are available on the website or from the school office.

Deadline for out of zone applications: 5pm Wednesday 17 October 2018.

- Enrolment ballot: Wednesday 24 October 2018. If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available at any year levels, then a ballot will be held.
 - Parents informed of application outcome: Friday 26 October 2018.
- Deadline to accept offer of out of zone place: Friday 9 November 2018.

STUDENT LEAVERS END OF 2018 (YEARS 1-7) - If you have a child leaving our school during or at the end of 2018, please advise the school office so that we can prepare the appropriate transfer information.

SENIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION: "THE FIVE KEYS" - Rehearsals and preparation are in full swing across our Year 5 to 8 classes. It is shaping up to be a fantastic show! There will be 3 performances over two days.

Wednesday 22nd August: 12:45pm (matinee performance)

Wednesday 22nd August: 7:00pm

Thursday 23rd August: 7:00pm

Tickets will cost \$12 per person. Tickets are available from the school office. Due to the limited numbers that we can accommodate in the hall, we will be giving first priority to the families of senior students (Years 5 to 8). From the week after that (From Monday the 13th of August), any remaining tickets will be available to purchase. Students in Kowhai and Mana will be given an opportunity to see the show on Tuesday 21st August and a creche will be available on both the evening performances.



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EVENTS COMING UP -

- Friday 10 August - School Assembly at 9.15am in the Hall. All welcome!
- Friday 10 August - PTA Discos: Juniors 5.30 to 7pm, Seniors 7.30-9.00pm
- Tuesday 14 August - ICAS Maths Exams
- Wednesday 15 August - School closure for Teachers' strike
- Wednesday 15 August - Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm
- Thursday 16 August - Year 7 Boostrix Vaccinations
- Friday 17 August - PTA Quiz Night

Today's roll - 501

Ngā Mihi
Mike Forrest
 Tumuaiki - Principal

PTA NEWS

ITS DISCO TIME AGAIN.

Don't forget the disco is on tomorrow evening, Friday 10th August. The Years 1-4 disco will be from 5.30-7pm and the Years 5-8 from 7.30-9pm.

Entry is \$5. Glow products, drinks, chips, ice blocks and lollies will be on sale. Check out the posters around school for more information.

9TH ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT - FRIDAY 17TH AUGUST

Doors open at 7pm and Quiz starts at 8pm. There are still a couple of tables left... Get your team of 8 people together. Each table is \$250 which includes 8 tickets and platters from Sarah Serancke Catering. Proudly hosted by Bridget and Richard, please email to reserve your table bridgeandrichie@gmail.com

WE NEED YOU! - we are desperately seeking 5 more helpers for the night, please email pta@plimmerton.school.nz if you can help on the night.

Family Portraits Fundraiser
 Coming to Plimmerton School:
 August 25 and 26

Book now to grab your spot!

- Fundraise for your school and receive gorgeous images of your family
- Your \$25 session fee all goes back to the school
- Prints start from \$24 and packages from \$159
- This years photo shoots will take place outdoors - we'll have a studio backup in case of bad weather



Photography by Kirsten

FAMILY PORTRAITS FUNDRAISER

Bookings are now open via this [link](#), the code is **sb73a**



HEALTHY KIDS NEWS

WINTER WARMERS

Everyone enjoys a hot lunch during winter months but getting one on a school day can take some planning. If you have a thermos flask, **Healthy Kids** can have a hot lunch every day. Here are some hot lunch ideas to put into your thermos flask – the lunch will stay warm for hours. Easy! Just don't forget to pack a fork or spoon!

- Last night's leftovers
- Porridge and stewed fruit
- Pumpkin Soup
- Curry, rice and Naan
- Rice and beans
- Grilled cheese on whole wheat bread
- Pasta with grated cheese, basil and tomatoes
- Scrambled eggs and bacon
- Pasta shells with peas and corn
- Chilli Con Carne with tortilla chips
- Tuna Casserole
- Shepherd's Pie
- Baked potato with chilli beans, capsicum and cheese
- Spaghetti and pesto
- Rice and stir fried vegetables
- Couscous, tuna and tomatoes

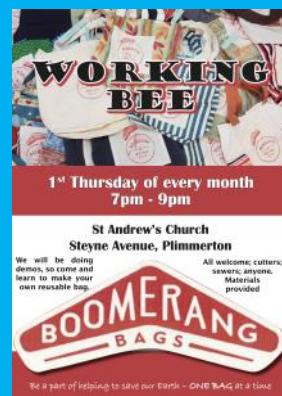
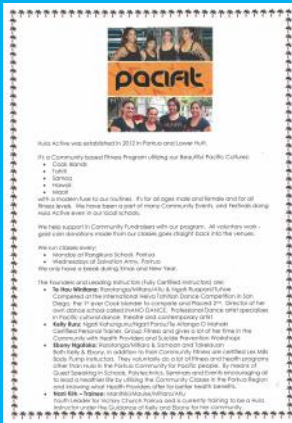
Tip: For hot foods, pour boiling water into the thermos, let it sit for 10 minutes, then dump the water, and fill. This will keep the food warm longer.

Keep healthy and warm **Healthy Kids!**

COMMUNITY NEWS

AOTEA COLLEGE BARBERSHOP FUNDRAISER!

Aotea College Barbershop need your help to get us to the Nationals in Tauranga in September! So come to our fundraiser, eat dinner (we have chop suey and chicken curry!!) and be entertained by Mike Tana from 6.00 pm on Wednesday August 15! Gold coin donation entry! Raffles, auctions etc. all ages invited!





SCHOOL NEWS

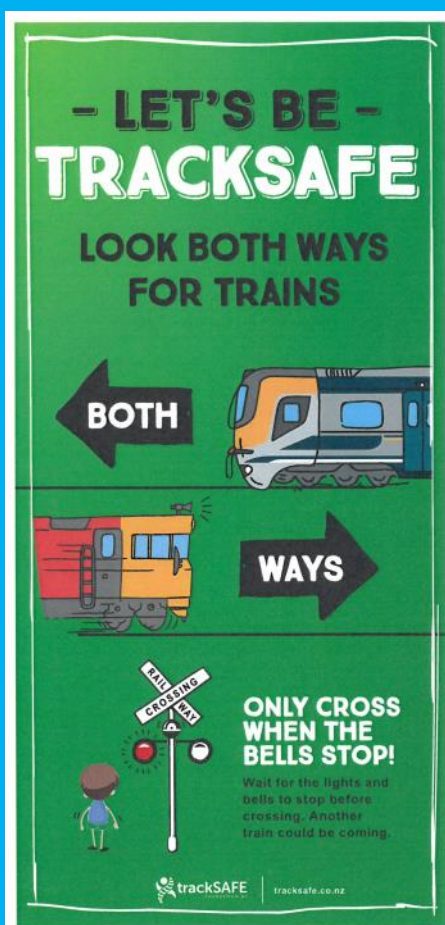
SCHOOLSTREAM APP UPDATE

We are looking forward to the new School Stream update being released on the Apple and Google Play Store next week.

Please check that you update the app when it's released. You can even set your phone's app updates to automatic. Here are the instructions for the Apple App Store (<https://goo.gl/mvC9as>) and the Google Play Store (<https://goo.gl/XCgkL1>).

To get the most out of the app features we do recommend creating an account so you can easily manage the content the school sends through.

To create an account, go to the side menu via the top-left corner and click on "Log-in". This is a quick and easy process that will require your first and last name, and a mobile number, email, or Facebook account authorisation. Once you have created your account, you will be able to access all of the new app features which will be highlighted in the welcome video.



Regional Public Health

HAUORA Ā IWI KI TE ŌPŌKO O TE IKA A MĀUI
Better health for the greater Wellington region

8/8/18

PERTUSSIS (WHOOPIING COUGH)

A person at Plimmerton School has whooping cough. They were infectious from 31/7/18 to 8/8/18. The time from contact with the bacteria to getting sick is usually 2 weeks (range from 1 to 3 weeks).

Whooping cough may start with a runny nose which then proceeds to prolonged bouts of coughing. It can be very serious in babies under 1 year of age and people at risk of severe disease and complications (chronic respiratory conditions, congenital heart disease or immunodeficiency). Adults often do not have the classical whooping and vomiting after bouts of coughing. Treatment is usually a 5 day course of an antibiotic Azithromycin. A person is no longer infectious after 2 days of the antibiotic treatment is completed.

In children under one year of age this can be very serious. Women in the last 4 weeks of pregnancy are advised to see their GP or Lead Maternity Carer.

We recommend the following actions:

- Anyone with a persistent cough should see their doctor, and stay away from school / work/ social activities until the doctor is sure it is not whooping cough.
- Check all your children are up-to-date with their Pertussis (Whooping Cough) immunisations. The Pertussis immunisation is given at six weeks, three months, five months and a booster at 4 and 11 years of age.
- Early childhood workers and health professionals who have contact with babies, pregnant women and immunocompromised people are recommended to have a booster pertussis vaccine (Boostrix Vaccine) every 10 years. Ask your medical centre about the cost for this.
- Pregnant women are strongly recommended to get FREE Boostrix vaccine between weeks 28-38 of pregnancy. This will reduce the risk of getting the disease and passing it onto your new born baby. The vaccine provides protection pre and post-delivery to the mother and to the baby for the first 6 weeks.
- Pregnant women and people with chronic respiratory conditions, congenital heart disease or immunodeficiency are advised to telephone the Communicable Disease Team (Public Health Nurse) on (04) 570 9002 to discuss if you may need antibiotics.

If you have any questions contact your family doctor or practice nurse, or phone the Communicable Disease Team (Public Health Nurse) on (04) 570 9002.

Yours sincerely,

Caroline Boyle

Public Health Nurse
For Medical Officer of Health
Disease Prevention

Whooping cough fact sheet

www.rph.org.nz/public-health-topics/illness-and-disease/whooping-cough-pertussis/



SPORTS NEWS

SENIOR NETBALL RESULTS – Saturday 4 August		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Navy	Bye	Bye	Bye
Plimmerton Dragons	Discovery Interceptors	18-3	Ellidh O'Hare-Quirke
Plimmerton Pauas	Pauatahanui Magic	24-3	Lexi Henderson
Plimmerton Gold	Discovery Swifts	11-29	Gabi Clements

JUNIOR NETBALL RESULTS – Saturday 4 August		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Wildcats	Paremata Pumas	6-5	Molly Lauder
Plimmerton Pumas	St Francis	6-9	Laura Curtis
Plimmerton Falcons	Titahi Bay Red	1-4	Aless Clements
Plimmerton Nightmares	Adventure Storm	6-23	Kayla Searancke
Plimmerton Phoenix	St Theresa Angels	7-3	Tayla Smith

BASKETBALL RESULTS – Wednesday 8 August		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton	Rangikura B	22-34	The whole team! Great effort for the semi-final!!

HOCKEY RESULTS – Saturday 4th August		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Pumas	Bye	Bye	Bye
Plimmerton Shortsticks	Rangikura Raptors	7-3	Danika Strydom
Plimmerton Panthers	Redwood Redsticks	0-3	Lucia Gits
Plimmerton Sharks	Plimmerton Storm	3-6	Hope Glensor
Plimmerton Storm	Plimmerton Sharks	6-3	Ruby Keene

INDOOR SOCCER

Plimmerton Taniwhas v Ngati Toa Nogards 1-0
Plimmerton Tuataras v Natone Te Keo 5-1

Player of the Day: Macklan Chandler
Player of the Day: Liam Campbell

