### Plimmerton School Newsletter - Week 6, Term 3, 2018



# From the Principal

#### Kia Ora Koutou

PRIMARY SCHOOLS LEADERSHIP AWARDS - This week Porirua's young future leaders were honoured for going the extra mile to serve their schools and the community. The Rotary Clubs of Porirua and Porirua City Council presented Primary School Leadership Awards to 54 local school children at a ceremony at the Elim Church.





The awards were presented by Porirua Deputy Mayor Izzy Ford and Donna Reed, Rotary Plimmerton President, who said it was great to see so many wonderful young people being celebrated. Our special congratulations to Carter Sidwell (left) and Izzy Lauder

(right) who were presented with their Primary School Leadership Awards for leadership, service above self, and for being excellent role models



YEAR 7 & 8 PARUMOANA SWIMMING SPORTS - On Wednesday the Taupō swim team took to the water at the Parumoana Swimming Sports. Our team competed hard and many of them made the finals. We were especially proud of how well our team supported each other, and the respect the showed to all of the competitors. Their teamwork really showed in the last events - the relays - where we had two 1st and two 2nd placings, and won this section of the meet. Unfortunately it wasn't enough to take the overall lead and the team finished a very creditable 3rd overall. Unfortunately on the day there was some confusion between the school that won the relays section and the overall winner, and our team was mistakenly announced as the event winner. I broke the news to the team this morning and was pleased with the sporting manner in which the accepted the

Superb effort from the team, and grateful thanks to the many parents who helped with transport and timekeeping.

**MATHSWELL COMPETITION** - This week a Year 5 & 6 team competed in the MathsWell competition, on Tuesday night. Our Hongoeka team of 6 competed against many other schools in some very very challenging maths problem-solving tasks. A huge congratulations to Bella K, Eden S, Isaac B, Lewis J, Xavier B and Ace V - congratulations to our team on stretching their thinking and working well together.



# From the Principal...continued

**DAFFODIL DAY REMINDER -** On Tomorrow Friday 31 August. Donations will go the New Zealand Cancer Foundation who put the money towards current research, prevention and support for those suffering and surviving through it. Please support this cause by sending a monetary donation of any kind with your child on daffodil day and encourage him or her to dress in yellow or green. Flowers are now available in the school office and will also be sold before and after school on the day. A coin trail will take place outside the hall after the school assembly for anyone to contribute towards. Many thanks in advance.



**SAFETY AT THE RAILWAY STATION** - We have reminded our students that scooters or bikes must not be ridden on the station platform. From time to time students have 'raced' trains pulling into the station with their bikes and scooters. This is incredibly dangerous to themselves and others. We do not want someone to fall or get pushed off the platform into or in front of a train. The platform is monitored by a number of security cameras. Thanks to the parents who have reported unsafe behaviour to us, as we have been able to work with Transdev Wellington Ltd to identify students involved and discuss safety with them.

#### **EVENTS COMING UP tomorrow and next week:**

- •TOMORROW Friday 31 August Daffodil Day; 9.10am School Assembly; 1pm PTA Sausage Sizzle
- •Saturday 1 September Final senior netball games; 5pm Netball break up in the School hall.
- •Thursday 6 September Kōwhai syndicate Te Papa trip

Today's Roll – 500 Students

Ngā mihi Mike Forrest Tumuaki - Principal

#### **MESSAGE FROM WHAEA EMMA:**

Kia ora whānau,

Awhi mai! I'm on the lookout for whānau of Māori children who are interested in forming a rōpu here at kura.

We would meet once or twice a term our initial focus would be to look at building relationships with each other and within the school and wider community. If you are interested and could spare a couple of evenings a term, please email Whaea Emma, <a href="mailto:emman@plimmerton.school.nz">emman@plimmerton.school.nz</a>, or pop into R3 after school for a kōrero.

I would also love to hear from whānau who are weavers, artists, kapa-haka performers, writers, taiaha experts, or who know lots about our local rohe (area) who could share their expertise with our tamariki.

Kia ora, Whaea Emma



### STUDENT WORK

You are sunlight brightening each of my days.

You are a soft squishy marshmallow always comforting me.

You are a brave soldier protecting my family.

You are a wise owl always knowing what to do.

You are my cute cuddly bear.

You are a cup of coffee keeping me warm.

You are sweet candy floss, making me happy.

You are a genie, always making my wishes come true.

You are a funny clown making me laugh.

You are thousands and billions of money, giving me toys to make me happy.

You are thousands and billions of love-hearts giving me love.

You are my big giant fluffy ball, making me comfy.

You are a gold medal making me proud.

You are billions of feathers floating down onto me.

You are a lantern, lighting my way through the darkness.

You are a monkey tickling me.

You are a colourful rainbow showing me the colours of you.

You are a cheetah, faster than anything.

You are something made out of love.

You are my shield.

By Alannah room 5

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**







### **KELLY CLUB NEWS**

Hi everyone,

We are well into term three, and school holidays are fast approaching!

We're offering an exciting holiday programme at Kelly Club, including trip days to Mission Inflatable, Zealandia and swimming sessions. We also have fun themed days on offer including a disco dance party, an outdoors springtime race, creative science experiments and a slime party! The kids can also look forward to sports sessions along with heaps of fun crafts, cooking and games galore to keep them busy all holidays. For more details, please see the brochure below.

The link below will take you through to the Kelly Club website, where you can learn more or book your children into the programme. <a href="http://www.kellyclub.co.nz/plimmerton">http://www.kellyclub.co.nz/plimmerton</a>

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with school reception or myself (Claire Harrison, Kelly Club's programme coordinator).

Kind regards,
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## **SPORTS NEWS**

### PARUMOANA SWIMMING TOURNAMENT YEAR 7&8 RESULTS:

On Wednesday, a team of our very best swimmers from Taupō Syndicate competed in the Parumoana Swimming Sports at Cannons Creek Pool. We were very proud of how our competitors demonstrated their RESPECT values - swimming with resilience, energy, pride and excellence. The competitors supported and encouraged each other in every race and had excellent sportsmanship. Thank you also to the wonderful parents who came to support and to help with running the event. Congratulations to our team of swimmers:

Year 7 Girls: Milla Klausen - 25m Butterfly Year 7 Girls Relay - 2nd

Year 7 Boys: Kit Ladyman - 1st 50m Backstroke Liam Dunlop-Brown - 2nd 50m Backstroke Year 7 Boys Relay - 1st

Year 8 Girls: Year 8 Girls Relay - 2nd

Year 8 Boys: Nathan Butchard - 3rd 50 Metre Freestyle, 3rd 50m Backstroke, 2nd 25m Butterfly Kobe De Ridder - 3rd 25m Breaststroke Ashton Birdling - 2nd 50m Backstroke Year 8 Boys Relay - 1st





# **SCHOOL NEWS**

### **MATHSWELL COMPETITION**

This year **six** year 5 & 6 students were chosen to attend the Mathswell competition at Wainuiomata Primary School. They were Eden Soukotta, Isabella Kay, Ace Van Noort, Isaac Bott, Lewis Jeffreys, and Xavier Braga.

### How the competition worked:

There were 2 sections in the competition, one team of 3 did the problem solving section and the other team of 3 competed in the multi-choice question section.

#### Multi-choice section.

Eden, Isabella and Ace competed in this section. There were 5 choices for every question, there were 30 questions and we each did 10. The final score was 22/30. Problem solving Section.

The three people doing problem solving were Xavier, Isaac and Lewis. There were two rounds and the problem solving team got 26/26 in the end.

Out of the 14 teams that entered Plimmerton School came in **2nd!!!!!!!!!!!** We think this was our schools best effort ever.

### Students point of view:

- "It was really fun."
- "I want to do it again next year."
- "Challenging but fun."
- "Awesome."

Written by The Mathswell Team







## **YEAR 8 NEWS**





FUNDRAISING FOR PLIMMERTON SCHOOL YEAR 8 LEAVERS' DINNER

LIGHT HOUSE PAUATAHANUI 3 PAEKAKARIKI HILL ROAD

**SUNDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER | 7.30PM** ARRIVE FROM 6.30PM | TICKETS \$20

TICKET INCLUDES A DRINK, MOVIE TREATS & AN AWESOME GOODY BAG

FOR TICKETS CONTACT SARA JOHNSON 02108793022 OR ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE https://www.facebook.com/Plimmerton-Year-8-Leavers-2018-2279686992262984/



#### Year 8 Leavers Dinner - Bake Sale **FUNDRAISER**

To be held on Saturday 1 September 2018 at Ngati Toa Domain Netball Courts.

Please drop the baking to the school Staffvoor Friday 31 August by 3pm OR

drop to Mel Troy at 41 Cluny Road Plimmerton on

Friday evening
Please label all foods which could cause allergies and to individually wrap where possible to make it easier to sell.

Please email Mel Troy if you wish to assist selling on the day mel@meltroy.co.nz or 021 349 737



# IT'S COOL TO KORERO!

Kia ora e te whānau,

Kei te tatari māu - I'm waiting for you!

This is not only for all the kaiako (teachers) out there, but all the whānau who struggle to get out the door in the morning!!

Tatari means to wait.

'Kei te tatari au' means 'I am waiting' if you'd like to make a general statement!

Like most te reo Māori, this sentence depends on your tone to convey your meaning. A grumpier tone of voice means GRR!! I mean business! (That's me in the mornings!)

Almost te wiki o te reo Māori! Watch this space!

Give it a go - remember, it's cool to korero!

Whaea Emma

