

## Plimmerton School Newsletter - Week 8, Term 3, 2018



### From the Principal

Nau mai haere mai ki te wiki o te reo Maori ki te kura o Taupo

It has been Maori language week this week and staff and students have been given a challenge to find the longest place name in te Ao - the world. If you would like to have a go it is near Purongohau in Hawkes Bay.

#### KAPITI ISLAND

Four classes from Hongoeka syndicate visited Kapiti Island this week as part of their inquiry into environmental sustainability. They saw lots of native birds including weka, kaka and tui. The students are now launching into their own mini inquiries on conservation. The trip has been integrated into their maths unit on probability as students predicted the likelihood of seeing native birds on the island. The remaining two classes are set to go tomorrow. The weather has played the game this year and no trips have had to be postponed. Fingers crossed for tomorrow but the forecast is looking great. Thank you to the parent helpers for assisting with this trip.



#### PARUMOANA RUGBY AND NETBALL TOURNAMENTS

Teams from Hongoeka and Taupo participated in a rugby and netball tournament this week. Both netball teams made the semi finals. The Hongoeka teams semi went into overtime and they lost by 1 in the last second. Their resilience and sportsmanship was outstanding as they took their loss on the chin and congratulated the other team. Both rugby teams played well as a team and showed great sportsmanship, playing with lots of spirit and energy and were very supportive of each other. The rugby teams looked fantastic in their new shirts.





## From the Principal...continued

### MATHEMATICS

Students would have come home today with information about a "Mathathon". This is a fund raiser for the school but it is also a really good opportunity for students to practice their basic facts. The school holidays may be a great time to gather sponsors from family and friends. A maths whanau evening is planned for Thursday 25th October. This is an opportunity to share with whanau some of the work we have been doing in maths. Game kits will be available for purchase before the evening and collected on the night.

### TRIPS AND EVENTS

There are a number of trips happening over the next couple of weeks. Please check your inbox for any permission forms that need to be completed.

### ARTSPASH CHOIR

The Artsplash choir has been busy rehearsing over the term for their concert at the Michael Fowler Centre next week. We wish them all the very best for a wonderful night.

### RED NOSE DAY

We are looking forward to pulling our red clothes out of the wardrobe on Wednesday 26th September to celebrate Red Nose Day and raise funds for Cure Kids. The children are asked to bring a gold coin donation.

### BRAIN BREAK

As part of our healthy eating policy the children are encouraged to have brain food breaks. This food should be healthy. Please avoid sending junk food and sugary cakes and biscuits.

**Today's Roll** – 500 Students

Ngā mihi  
Mike Forrest  
Tumuaki - Principal

## BOARD NEWS

We would like to thank those that expressed an interest in our recent casual vacancy. We appreciate your energy and commitment to our school .

Keith Poore has been appointed to this position. Keith brings to the Board strong financial skills, and leadership and governance experience. Keith and his wife Mandy have four girls, three of whom are at Plimmerton and one at Aotea College. The family play an active role in Plimmerton school's sport and community activities and we are delighted to have Keith on the team.



## GALA 2018

### It's Gala Time Again - Saturday 17th November

#### Welcome to the 2nd 2018 Gala Newsletter

Thank you to all those who pointed out the incorrect date for the Gala – we have now rectified that!! And thank you to the four people who responded for a job...

**HELPERS** – Now is the time to put your hand up and grab the job you want! We are needing LOTS and LOTS of people for LOTS and LOTS of jobs ON THE DAY at the Gala. There is an expectation of all parents/caregivers to contribute towards the Gala and work on the day. This is our BIGGEST fundraiser of the year and entails just two-three hours of your time. Our Gala's raise over \$45000 of much needed funds so please do your bit.

And it would be appreciated if you could contact us, otherwise we spend precious time chasing people! Contact the Gala Team at [gala@plimmerton.school.nz](mailto:gala@plimmerton.school.nz) or 0272337747

**CAR RIDES** – Do you or anyone you know have an interesting car that could be used for rides at the Gala? This is one of our most popular rides at the Gala and we desperately need some help! Please email or call us – we would love to hear from you...

**Mystery Jars** – The Mystery Jar is our all time favourite stall at the Gala! This is a great activity for the children to get involved with. It's so much fun.... fill a jar or two with treasures, wrap and deliver to the school office! HOWEVER, a couple of years ago, we unfortunately had a large number of jars which were filled with stones, rubbish and dirty, used items. We ask for a little bit of parent guidance as it isn't much fun to open a jar of rubbish and we want to maintain this stall to a high standard. We are more than happy to have you donate some items for the Mystery Jars and we will make them up, if you prefer. Simply fill a jar or two with treasures (small items such as toys, lollies, trinkets, stickers etc), wrap and deliver to the school office!

**White Elephant** – Spring has sprung and it's time to de-clutter! We would love all your fabulous pre-loved treasures, furniture, clothes, toys, white elephant and bric a brac. Same as last year, the White Elephant is getting immediately sorted as items arrive, so the hall will be open from Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November right through till Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November for your drop-offs. If you do have a large quantity that requires storage or bigger items that require pickup, please contact us so we can make arrangements. We are happy to accept any sports goods including clean rugby/soccer boots. Remember, NO computers, printers, screens, hard drives, computers or TVs thanks.

Items need to be resalable, clean and not broken – if in doubt, leave it out!

**Books** – books will be getting sorted in the hall this year, so any books you may have can be dropped to hall the week prior. Please NO magazines, videos or if you're old enough to know, no cassette tapes.

**Clothing** – clothing will be getting sorted in the hall this year also, so any clothing may be dropped off to the hall. Please remember NO underwear, bras, swimwear or shoes and items need to be of a saleable condition. No rips, tears or dirt!

**Sponsorship** - if you would like your company to appear as a Sponsor and be widely advertised, please contact Natalie on [sponsorship@plimmerton.school.nz](mailto:sponsorship@plimmerton.school.nz)

**Donations** – over the next few weeks, we will be asking for help in many ways and we know it gets a bit repetitive, but the Gala Team are trying their best to spread the load. Please help where you can.

**Reusable Eco Bags** – Usually we ask for donations of plastic bags to be used at various stalls, but this year we have decided to go eco-friendly. If you have an oversupply of Eco Reusable bags, we would LOVE them for our Gala. For those of you who are crafty, feel free to make t-shirt bags. And remember to start saving your ice cream containers!

**MAJOR RAFFLE** – After careful consideration, it has been decided the major raffle for the Gala WILL be happening again this year as it is an integral part of the Gala and generates around 10% of the income. This is a simple task you can do before the Gala and doesn't require much effort – they sell themselves! Each family will receive one book (10 tickets) of raffles and it would be great if you could sell them to your friends and family. If you think you can sell more, please let us know prior. Likewise, if you really can't sell them, we would like them returned early so we can give them to someone who can!

**Keep an eye after the school holidays for the raffles.**





# 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. <http://www.kellyclub.co.nz/plimmerton>

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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 Programme Coordinator,  
 Kelly Club Plimmerton  
 021 246 1717 | [plimmerton@kellyclub.co.nz](mailto:plimmerton@kellyclub.co.nz)



**General Information:** We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings for children out of school. Our holiday programme is focused around sports, arts and crafts, cooking and outings to local attractions. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

**Who can attend:** Boys & Girls aged 5-13 yrs

**What else you need to bring:** Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweater, hot drink bottle and food.

**Food:** Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12.30pm to 1.00pm each day.

**Programme activities:** Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent on weather conditions and programme numbers.

**Payment details:** Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

**Work and Income OSCAR Subsidy:** Parents/caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WINZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit <http://www.workandincome.govt.nz>.

**Please note:** Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst on the programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$15 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

## OCTOBER 2018 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

PLIMMERTON SCHOOL

**Website:** [www.kellyclub.co.nz/plimmerton](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz/plimmerton)  
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	Mon 1 October	Tue 2 October	Wed 3 October	Thurs 4 October	Fri 5 October	
<b>WEEK 1</b>	 <b>ALIENS</b> Out of this world treats, crafts, space games & more! <b>PLUS A SPECIAL EVENT: PETTING ZOO AND PONY RIDES!</b>	 <b>TRIP DAY: WILD WHEELS AT AVALON</b> Join us for an awesome trip day to Avalon Bike Park & Playground! Be sure to bring your bikes, skates and scooters!	 <b>ANCIENT EGYPT</b> Enter the world of the ancient Egyptians. Find out why their mysterious civilisation, sphinxes and pyramids capture the imagination!	 <b>TRIP DAY: PORIRUA AQUATIC CENTRE</b> Kelly Club has booked out THE ENTIRE Aquatic Centre. Enjoy the inflatables, have a rush on the hydrolide and more!	 <b>DISCO DANCE PARTY</b> Compete in a dance-off, make disco balls, microphones and tie-dye bandanas and boogie the day away!	
<b>WEEK 2</b>	 <b>YARRRR ME HEARTIES!</b> Set sail, find the treasure and play lots of pirate games! <b>PLUS A SPECIAL EVENT: "HUNGERBALL" BOUNCY CASTLE FOOTBALL!</b>	 <b>TRIP DAY: MISSION INFLATABLE!</b> Join us for an awesome trip day to an all-time favourite: Mission Inflatables Bouncy Castle Park!	 <b>OUTDOOR SURVIVAL</b> Learn how to survive in the wild - be lost, try oven smores, scavenger hunt, hot building and capture the flag!	 <b>TRIP DAY: ZEALANDIA</b> Join us for a wild expedition through Zealandia Wildlife Sanctuary! Please remember shoes, a penny, sunscreen, a water bottle and lunch.	 <b>FREAKY FRIDAY</b> Fear Factor Challenges, Blindfold food tasting competition, creepy crawlies and silly slime!	
	<b>FULL WEEK:</b> \$220 Mon-Fri, 7am-6pm	<b>FULL DAY:</b> \$47 7am-6pm	<b>SCHOOL DAY:</b> \$35 9am-3pm	<b>HALF DAY:</b> \$25 7am-12:30pm or 12:30pm-6pm	<b>TRIP DAYS:</b> Extra \$15	<b>SPECIAL EVENTS:</b> Petting Zoo - extra \$7 Hungerball - extra \$5



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