

Plimmerton School Newsletter - Week 10, Term 3, 2018



From the Principal

Kia Ora Koutou

JILL SYMONDS STUDY LEAVE - Last year Jill, one of our Deputy Principals, was successful in gaining an Education Council Teacher Study Award with a proposal to investigate the impact of different teaching approaches on student achievement in mathematics. There are only a few awards given out each year, so this is a great acknowledgement of her expertise. Next term Jill will be on her study leave break and will be visiting schools and undertaking research to identify best practice in this area. We wish her all the very best and look forward to Jill sharing what she has learned with us.

SCHOOL OPENING TIME FOR STUDENT ARRIVAL - As the weather has improved we have noticed more students arriving at school well before the school opening time. This is a reminder that school opens for students at 8.00am. Next term, when the weather is fine, students who arrive at school before 8.30am will be asked to play and socialise outside until 8.30am (there will be an 8.30am bell). Many teachers are busy preparing for the day or in meetings at that time and are often not in the classroom. This means we are unable to supervise students as well as we would like to at that time. The ideal time to arrive at school is between 8.30 and 8.50 am, however we appreciate that for some families this is not possible.

BRANDON INTERMEDIATE CULTURAL CONCERT - Our group of Pacifica students went to Brandon Intermediate on Monday morning to watch their cultural concert. The show included items from the Cook Islands, Samoa and Tokelau, as well as Kapa Haka, dance groups, rock bands and instrumental groups. Our students were impressed with the enthusiasm and pride in which the students performed the various items and the hospitality shown. "Brandon Pride" was very evident.



BEACH CLEAN UP - Hongoeka syndicate have been listening to a presentation about sustainable coastlines today followed by a walk to the beach for a clean-up.

RED NOSE DAY - Yesterday we celebrated Red Nose Day and along with Kelly Club raised money for Cure Kids. Many children took the opportunity to dress in red and donate to this worthy cause. The Student council organised a waffle Wednesday breakfast for the staff which raised over \$100. A special thank you to Bettina Van Hulle and Kobe de Ridder for making the authentic Belgian waffle mixture. They were delicious!

FRACTIONS AND FRANKFURTERS - MATHEMATICS INFORMATION EVENING - Don't forget to lock in Thursday 25th October from 5:30-7 pm for the maths evening all about fractions. The order forms for fraction games packs is being emailed home to everyone today.



From the Principal...continued

MANA TRIP TO PATAKA - Mana syndicate have been visiting Pataka this week as part of their study of the history of Taupō-Plimmerton. They learned about Kupe's discovery of Aotearoa, Ngāti Toa's migration from Kawhia and how Te Rauparaha composed the Ka Mate haka performed by the All Blacks. They also learned about Awarua the taniwha of Porirua harbour, the settlement of Taupō-Plimmerton by early Māori and Europeans - a lot to learn in 90 minute sessions!

END OF TERM 3 TOMORROW – I hope you all enjoy the break after a busy term. TERM 4 STARTS - Monday 15 October. A reminder that Monday 22 October (Week 2) is Labour Day.

Today's Roll – 500 Students

Ngā mihi
Mike Forrest
 Tumuaiki - Principal

STUDENT NEWS

This week, Mana syndicate visited Pātaka to wrap up our learning about Taupō-Plimmerton.

We have learned about the history of Plimmerton School - it was first opened in 1904 and kids used to have to have swimming lessons in the sea! We found out about the community too - there wasn't a road bridge from Paremata to Plimmerton until 1936!



We also found out that Kupe discovered Aotearoa before anyone else. His wife named Aotearoa because she saw a long white cloud in the distance when they were sailing - and they knew that it meant there would be land coming up. His anchor stone is at Pātaka at the moment! Kupe also stayed on the island in front of Plimmerton, Mana Island. The proper name is Te Mana o Kupe, and Kupe's daughter named it.

We learned about how Ngāti Toa came down from Kawhia and settled in the area. Te Rauparaha travelled down from Kawhia lots of times to help the people move here. It took about 2 years!

At Pātaka we saw a movie about Te Rauparaha and how he composed the Ka Mate haka. Some of the movie was a bit spooky! (Did you know that Te Rauparaha had 6 toes on one of his feet? That was the sign of a taniwha who would become a great chief and a warrior.)



We also did sand art pictures of Awarua, the taniwha of Porirua Harbour, looked for taonga of Ngāti Toa, made harakeke (flax) ropes and got to hear lots of history from Linda, one of the teachers from Pātaka.

It was awesome fun and Team 3 reckons that you should definitely go to see the exhibition at Pātaka over the holidays.



IT'S COOL TO KORERO!

Kia ora e te whānau!

Just one more moe (sleep) til holidays and extra time with tamariki and whānau!

Still struggling with saying Māori vowels?
Try saying "Are there three or two?" There are your 5 vowel sounds i te reo Māori!

In 'It's Cool to Kōrero' last week we learned "Kei te pehea koe", or "How are you?" i te reo Māori.

For the next toru newsletters we'll look at some different answers :) The 'ahau' (a-ho) is interchangeable with 'au' (oh) - these personal pronouns mean the same thing.

You'll also notice that it's only the adjective (or describing word for the feeling) that changes in the sentence structure - easy peasy!

- "Kei te harikoa ahau" - I'm happy □ (Kay te harr-ee-core-ah a-ho)
- "Kei te pōuri au" - I'm sad □ (poe-ree)
- "Kei te āwangawanga au" - I'm confused! (ar-waa-nga-waa-nga) □
- "Kei te pukuriri ahau" - I'm angry (pook-oo-ree-ree) □
- "Kei te pukukino ahau" - I'm grumpy (pook-oo-kee-no) □
- "Kei te ohore au" - I'm suprised (or-hor-ree-ree) □

How many of these different answers can you use over the holidays? (Hopefully you won't be pōuri, pukuriri or pukukino too often!) Give it a go - remember, it's cool to kōrero!

Whaea Emma



<p>harikoa - happy</p> <p>Kei te pēhea koe? How are you?</p> <p>Kei te harikoa ahau. I am happy.</p> 	<p>sad - pōuri</p> <p>Kei te pēhea koe? How are you?</p> <p>Kei te pōuri ahau. I am sad.</p> 	<p>worried - āwangawanga</p> <p>Kei te pēhea koe? How are you?</p> <p>Kei te āwangawanga ahau. I am worried.</p> 
<p>pukuriri - angry</p> <p>Kei te pēhea koe? How are you?</p> <p>Kei te pukuriri ahau. I am angry.</p> 	<p>pukukino - grumpy</p> <p>Kei te pēhea koe? How are you?</p> <p>Kei te pukukino ahau. I am grumpy.</p> 	<p>ohore - suprised</p> <p>Kei te pēhea koe? How are you?</p> <p>Kei te ohore ahau. I am suprised.</p> 



KELLY CLUB NEWS



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OCTOBER 2018 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

PLIMMERTON SCHOOL

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 to wear/bring to camp: Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweater, hat, 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.

WEEK 1	Mon 1 October ALIENS Out of this world treats, crafts, space games & more! PLUS A SPECIAL EVENT: PETTING ZOO AND PONY RIDES!	Tues 2 October TRIP DAY: WILD WHEELS AT AVALON Join us for an awesome trip day to Avalon Bike Park & Playground! Be sure to bring your bikes, skates and scooters!	Wed 3 October ANCIENT EGYPT Enter the world of the ancient Egyptians. Find out why their mysterious civilisation, sphinxes and pyramids capture the imagination!	Thurs 4 October TRIP DAY: PORIRUA AQUATIC CENTRE Kelly Club has booked out THE ENTIRE Aquatic Centre. Enjoy the inflatable, have a rush on the hydroslide and more!	Fri 5 October DISCO DANCE PARTY Compete in a dance-off, make disco balls, microphones and tie-dye bandanas and boogie the day away!
	Mon 8 October YARRRR ME HEARTIES! Set sail, find the treasure and play lots of pirate games! PLUS A SPECIAL EVENT: "HUNGERBALL" SOFTBALL!	Tues 9 October TRIP DAY: MISSION INFLATABLE! Join us for an awesome trip day to an all-time favourite: Mission Inflatable Bouncy Castle Park!	Wed 10 October OUTDOOR SURVIVAL Learn how to survive in the wild - tie knots, dry oven smores, scavenger hunt, hot baking and capture the flag!	Thurs 11 October TRIP DAY: ZEALANDIA Join us for a wild expedition through Zealandia Wildlife Sanctuary! Please remember shoes, a jersey, sunscreen, a water bottle and lunch.	Fri 12 October FREAKY FRIDAY Fear Factor Challenges, Blindfold food tasting competition, creepy crawlies and silly slime!

FULL WEEK: \$220 (Mon-Fri, 7am-6pm)
FULL DAY: \$47 (7am-6pm)
SCHOOL DAY: \$35 (9am-3pm)
HALF DAY: \$25 (7am-12:30pm or 12:30pm-6pm)
TRIP DAYS: Extra \$15
SPECIAL EVENTS: Petting Zoo - extra \$7, Hungerball - extra \$5



BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz

SCHOOL NEWS

Plimmerton Primary School Juniors on Wednesday 17th October 2018

We will photograph portraits of all students as well as class photos.
You do not order/pay for your child's portraits or class photos until AFTER PHOTODAY.
 You will receive an order form featuring a photo of your child after photoday. (Packs available below)

Pack A \$40.00 	Pack B \$35.00 	Pack C \$29.50 	Pack prices (do not pay now) A = 40.00 B = 35.00 C = 29.50 D = 20.00 E = 15.00
Packs include: Pack A: 10x6, 2x5x7, Postcards, Wallets, Calendar and Class Pack B: 2x 5x7, Postcards, Wallets, and Class Pack C: 1x 5x7 and Class Pack D: 2x 5x7, Postcards, Wallets, but no Class Pack E: Class only *Expenditure Packs A-D include portrait file voucher. Email the code on the included voucher by us, and we send the file by return. A, B & D include complimentary B&W 6x7's			
Pack D (Portraits) \$20.00 			Pack E (Class) \$15.00

Family/Sibling Photos: Order form is on reverse of advice note which your child will bring home or you can go to Family Order Form at www.schoolmemories.co.nz to download a form. Order form MUST be returned to school office before photoday for photo to be taken.



HEALTHY KIDS CORNER

After a winter of being closed up, your house may need a refresher. Spring cleaning is a great way to change the air quality inside your home. Opening windows to let fresh air in changes the oxygen balance. Sunlight coming in through the windows can help clean the air in your house.

A deep clean every spring can remove potential allergens. If you're prone to allergies or asthma attacks when spring rolls around, don't assume pollen is the only culprit. Dust and pet dander are powerful asthma triggers, especially in children.

An essential part of a successful spring clean is getting rid of old items that are no longer used or worn. Over the holidays children may think about whether they still use toys or if they still fit those clothes from last year? It is topical to think of anything that is no longer in use. Unwanted items could be put aside in support of our **School Gala on Saturday 17th November**.



We need lots and lots of volunteers for lots and lots of jobs. Please contact the Gala Team at gala@plimmerton.school.nz or 0272337747 to let them know how you can be part of this community fundraising event for the benefit of all of our children!

Schedule in a tidy up this holidays, Healthy Kids!

YEAR 8 NEWS

CELEBRATE THE START OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH YOUR FRIENDS, WITH A SCREENING OF



RATING TO BE CONFIRMED
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/>