



NEWSLETTER - week 4, term 1, 28 February 2019

From the Principal



Kia ora e te whānau

Last Sunday close to a hundred students turned out for the PTA Triathlon. It was fantastic to see students showing our school values of Riaka - Energy and Manawāitī - Resilience as they gave it their all in on the course. And what a brilliantly organised and run event it was, too! Huge thanks to Pete Barton, Todd Morton (EasySwim), the PTA and the many other parent volunteers who made it a great event for our kids. We are so lucky to have such great parent support for our school events.

RETURNING TO SCHOOL AFTER ILLNESS

We have had over 50 students away with stomach upsets in the last few weeks. To help stop the spread of illness we are encouraging hand washing and good hygiene habits. Please, if your child has been sick (vomiting or diarrhea) please keep them away from school for until they have been free of vomiting or diarrhea for 48 hours. This is the Public Health recommendation. It is also recommended that they do not swim for two weeks.

MOVIN MARCH is coming soon!

The Student Council will be organising activities for the last week of March, but don't forget, Movin March starts Friday 1 March - TOMORROW!!! Leave the car at home and walk or bike to school! You never know when a spot prize may be awarded!!

Ngā mihi

Mike Forrest - Tumuaki/Principal

From the Board

INTERESTED IN STANDING FOR THE BOARD?

There is an information session run by the NZ School Trustees Association for interested parents. It is being held at Aotea College, 6pm on the 7th of March. More information on the flyer on this page.



Have you thought about becoming a board member for your school?

Come along to NZSTA's Kōrari Programme to find out about becoming a school trustee on a school board!

We are holding a community hui at Aotea College Library on 7 March 2019 at 6.00 pm in the lead up to this year's board of trustees' elections.

At the hui you'll hear about:

- What is a school board of trustees
- What do trustees do
- What skills do trustees need
- Who can become a trustee
- How do I become a trustee
- Who is on a board of trustees
- How is a board elected
- What help do school trustees get
- How does the board of trustees work

We look forward to seeing you and helping your school's succession planning!



Kōrari – a programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees

It's Cool to Korero!

Kia ora e te whānau!

Last week we found out how to ask, 'Kei hea to pōtae?', or 'Where is your hat?'

This week's rerenga kōrero (sentence, or phrase) builds on pōtae, hat. This week we are using a command sentence, 'Purua tō pōtae!', or 'Put on your hat!' *puu-roo-ah tor paw-tie*

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

Ngā mihi,

Whaea Emma

Purua tō pōtae!



Put on your sunhat!



PTA News

A big congratulations to the 85 children who participated in the Plimmerton School PTA Triathlon last weekend! We've received some awesome feedback from parents/caregivers and it was just awesome to see so many happy and proud faces out on the course.

A big thank you to the 25 volunteers and marshals who managed this event on behalf of the PTA and to Easyswim, major event sponsor.

Good luck to all children participating in the Wellington Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon!

Annual General Meeting

In 2018 the Plimmerton School Parent Teacher Association presented the amount of \$80,000 to the Board of Trustees. This was raised by your support of events like the Craft Beer Fair, the Quiz Night and of course our amazingly successful Gala.

Some of the stalwarts of the PTA have moved on now as their children are attending college. This means that to continue to be able to provide Plimmerton School with the additional funding that keeps our class sizes as small as they are we need active innovative parents to join the PTA. The resources we have which make us a desirable school, have been contributed to by parents who want to make a difference for their child and their learning.

We would like to invite you to the Annual General Meeting of the PTA which will be held in the Staffroom at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 5th March. This brief meeting will be followed by our monthly meeting. Even if you would just like to come to find out more about the PTA's role at Plimmerton School please know you will be made very welcome at this meeting. If you have any queries please contact Rosemary Oxnam on 2338677 ext 9 or Katrin Ellison 0211065743.

Student News

- **INDOOR FOOTBALL RESULTS**

Plimmerton Orcas (1) v Papakowhai Red (1) - Player of the Day: Jules McLennan

Plimmerton Stingrays (1) v Rangikura Raptors (2) - Player of the Day: Timmy Alderdice

- **TE KURA O TAUPŌ T-SHIRTS**

It is tumeke (awesome) to see lots of students and staff wearing their Te Kura o Taupō t-shirts with the Taupō nui tonu image designed by Te Mako Stan Orzecki. If you would like to order one of these tumeke tshirts please click [here](#).

