



PANUI - NEWSLETTER - Week 9, Term 3, 2022

Mai e te Tumuaki - From the Principal

The final newsletter for the term is upon us, which reminds us about the well-deserved break on the near horizon for our students and staff, including the Public Holiday this coming Monday. Term 3 has been the most consistent and constant time for learning since COVID-19 and we have experienced a lot of learning, fun and laughter together. So I am excited to see what exciting learning opportunities teachers and students can create together next term (especially now we can see their faces and expressions without a mask!). Term 4 also brings about warmer weather and lots of EOTC adventures so watch this space for exciting updates!

Moving into Term 4, there will be a large amount of correspondence coming home as we prepare our teachers and students for their continued learning journeys. We have already begun looking at teacher placements for 2023, including the inevitable fare-welling of teachers and inducting new ones. Once we have established syndicate make ups we will then focus on the children's classrooms and update you accordingly.

In the meantime, thank you for everything you have done as parents to support your children, and for the aroha shown to me this term. It's a huge honour to lead a school and especially one like ours which has so much history and connections to our community. As educators we are able to influence our tamariki during the day, but the hard work has started long before they arrive at our front gate. Each day you wake up you have the responsibility to shape the mind and values of your children. These values are also the ones that shape their daily interactions with others, so never underestimate the excellent job you are doing and the positive values you are installing in them.

Lastly, thank you to our wonderful community who got behind our Book Week! We celebrated with a Character Dress up Day on Friday and everyone looked amazing! A special thank you to Sarah and Jo for their organisation and going above and beyond to make it a special week for all of our tamariki!



Have a great holiday and we look forward to seeing you all again in Term 4.

Nga Mihi
 Chris Steffensen
 Principal - Tumuaki

Coming Events - to put on your calendar

Monday 26 September:

Queens Memorial Day - no school, see you all on Tuesday

Friday 30 September

End of Term 3

Monday 17 October

Start of Term 4

Calendar Art

Thank you to those that have returned your order forms and payment for this year's calendars, cards, and diaries featuring your child's art. As Monday is now a holiday, the final deadline for orders is 9am Tuesday 27 September. Ordering details are below and you can pick up additional order forms from the office. Payment can be made by cash or Eftpos at the office. **Please note, orders can not be placed on your Parent Account.**

Absence Notifications

Absences can be reported by phoning 04 233 8677 or emailing absence@plimmerton.school.nz When sending an absence email or leaving an absence phone message it is essential to leave a clear explanation/reason for your child's absence. Please note that the School Stream App is no longer active.

Book Week

Wow what a week it has been!! Plimmerton School has certainly celebrated its love of reading throughout the week. Thank you so much for your support with the Book Fair. We have had so many families visit Room 1 and buy books. Over the week there have been lots of competitions going on. Here are some of our winners:

Essay winners

Petra H

Annabelle N

Grace P

Greta F/Kyler W

Mr Deluxe

Paper Planes:

Jesse V

Thomas X

Betsy X

Scavenger Hunt:

Caleb R

Cam B

Seren P

Jahvis T



Guess the number of books:

Emee L who won 2 tickets to Shrek the musical

Name the books:

Beth J

Alexander H

Joshua D

Vai H

Hannah P

Eli F

Best book costumes:

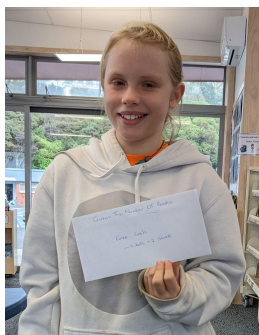
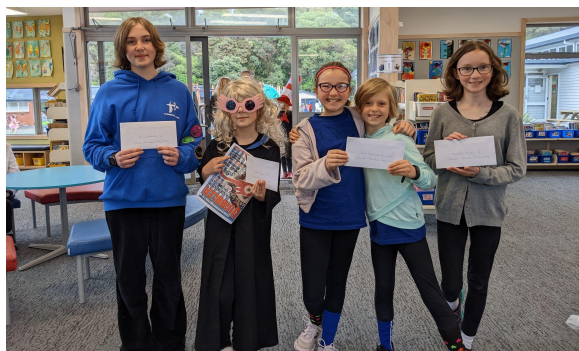
Kowhai: Oakley E, Carma E, Vinnie D

Mana: Penny C, Cannon D, Alessandra S

Hongoeka: Angus B, Lachlan H, Grace P

Taupo: Sebastian M, Lola C, Abby B

Staff: Whaea Dianne, Mrs O'Neil, Mr Brown

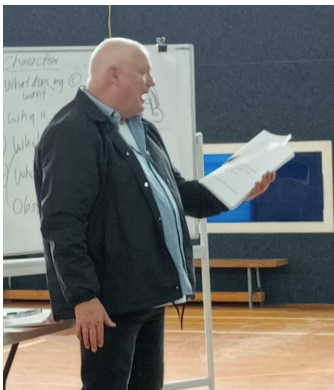


More photos from Book Week



Stu Duval

Stu Duval spent a day at Plimmerton School on Tuesday 20 September and spoke to all the syndicates. He told us all about how he writes and illustrates his books as well as teaching us how to draw cartoon characters. Lots of kids expressed an interest in purchasing some of his books so he has kindly offered to come back on Tuesday 27 September at 3pm with a collection of his books. Books are \$20 each and he accepts cash and eftpos. This is a great price as they normally retail at \$25+



Crazy Hair / Wacky Wig Wednesday

Every week in Aotearoa, an average of three families are told that their child has cancer. These families are supported by the Child Cancer Foundation throughout their cancer journey. We have had families at Plimmerton School go through this so it is a cause close to our hearts. Each year the Child Cancer Foundation holds Wig Wednesday and this year Plimmerton School went all out and wore our wackiest wigs or did our hair in crazy ways. We raised \$490.40 for the Child Cancer Foundation. Check out the photos below of some wacky wigs and crazy hairstyles.



Parumoana Swimming Sports

Parumoana Swimming Sports Year 5 and 6

On Tuesday 13th September sixteen of our Year 5 & 6 students represented Plimmerton School at the Parumoana competition. It was really great to be able to have this event as it had to be cancelled last year. All of our students put in 100% and encouraged other students and showed great sportsmanship encapsulating our values of Whitireiatanga and Manaakitanga.

Year 5 students - Maax T, Liam O, Jassin H, Kymani B, Charlotte T, Giana M, Lily N, Sierra H

Year 6 students - Isaia A, Phineas H, Oliver S-C, Rex L, Poppy K, Caitlyn T, Molly P, Elsa H

Points were added for all races and overall Papakowhai came first with Plimmerton coming a close second. Overall top three finishers in the finals were:

25m Freestyle	Maxx T (1st) Oliver S-C (1st) Charlotte T (1st) Lily N (3rd) Molly P (3rd)
25m Breaststroke	Charlotte T (1st) Maxx T (2nd) Oliver S-C (2nd)
25m Backstroke	Maxx T (1st) Charlotte T (1st) Molly P (1st) Isaia A (2nd)
25m Butterfly	Oliver S-C (1st) Isaia A (3rd)
4 x 25m Team Relay	Year 5 Girls (1st) Year 6 Boys (2nd)



Parumoana Swimming Sports Year 7 and 8

On Thursday 15th September sixteen of our Year 7 and 8 students represented Plimmerton School at the Parumoana swimming competition.



Year 7 students

Asher T, Charlie H, Zach B, William S, Maddy SJ, Maggie L, Florence LF, Jess W

Year 8 students

Freddy M, Samuel K, Colin L, Riley P, Lola C, Maia N, Pippa P, Tilly FG

There was a great effort by all the swimmers and lots of encouragement for one another. The boys swam in the first session and the girls swam after. All finalists, 1st to 6th, earned points for our school. The boys team had great swims and had a good lead over other schools after their session. The girls swam well earning good points but overall Papakowhai School won the combined Year 7 and 8 competition by 16 points.

Plimmerton School's Finalists

50m Freestyle	Asher 1st, Charlie 5th, Freddy 1st, Samuel 6th Maddy 5th, Lola 1st, Pippa 4th
25m Breaststroke	Asher 1st, Charlie 5th, Freddy 1st, Florence 3rd, Jess 6th, Tilly 3rd, Pippa 4th
50m Backstroke	Zach 5th, William 6th, Freddy 1st, Samuel 5th, Maddy 5th, Lola 2nd, Maia 4th
25m Butterfly	Asher 2nd, Charlie 6th, Colin 5th, Maddy 4th, Pippa 3rd, Lola 4th
4 x 25m Team Relay	Year 7 Boys - 2nd, Year 8 Boys - 1st, Year 7 Girls - 1st, Year 8 Girls - 2nd

Well done to you all and a big thank you to the parents who helped at the pool and with transport.



Lunchtime Scootering on the Driveway

DAY	SYNDICATE
Monday	Hongoeka
Tuesday	Kōwhai
Thursday	Taupō
Friday	Mana

Scooter Rules:

- No scootering without a helmet
- Only use your own scooter
- Scooter **down** the drive and walk **up** the path
- Ticks only at the bottom
- Listen to the Scooter Patrol
- 3 strikes and you're out for the session



School Donation

The school donation is voluntary, but any donation makes a huge difference in what we can offer our students. A BIG THANK YOU to those families who have already made donations, we are extremely grateful for your support! If you would like to make a donation but are yet to do so, please read on for further information and for easy payment options.

In line with the government donation scheme the suggested donation this year is \$150 per student. As it is a donation the amount is up to you and voluntary. If this amount is a stretch feel free to adjust it accordingly. At the same time if you feel you could contribute more, please also feel free to adjust the amount. The school office will generate a tax receipt for any donation amount of which you can then claim 1/3 back from the IRD.

Payments can be made:

- At the school office via Eftpos or by credit card
- By direct credit to the school bank account. Please clearly state your child's surname, DONATION, and your 4 digit parent account number. **Plimmerton School Board of Trustees: 12-3478-0062343-00**
- Alternatively, please complete the [School Donations form](#) on our school website to request payment of the donation via your parent account - you can then pay this off over the next few weeks.

We appreciate your support.

PTA News



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, 19 November 2022

We are still looking for volunteers who can: coordinate stalls and rosters prior to the Gala, do a 2- hour slot at stall on Gala day, sort donations in the hall the week before, help set up stalls on Friday 18 November and pack up after the Gala. Thanks in advance for your support.



Turning your Child's Picture into unique products!



Calendars

High quality laminated A4 print of your Child's Artwork. Wire bound to a 12 month tear-off calendar. Includes public holidays & school terms.

Cards

Display your Child's Artwork on a pack of 8 cards. Artist's name and age are printed on the reverse. Includes envelopes.

Diaries

Hard cover print of your Child's Artwork. A5 size (148 x 210mm). Wire bound. Artist's name and age printed on the inside cover. Includes week view and year planner.

Orders to be returned by:

Deadline for orders: **9am, Tuesday 27 September**

Student's Name: _____
(Fill out one form per child)

Room: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Phone: _____

	Calendars	Cards	Diaries	Total of each Row
	\$ 14.00	\$ 13.00	\$ 17.00	
How many items are to be made from this Student's Art?				
Total \$	\$	\$	\$	\$

Payment Instructions:

Please make payment when this form is returned

Payment: **Cash or Eftpos** at the office



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NIPPER OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER 1.45pm

Come along and take part in a fun nippers session at Paekakariki beach to kick off the junior surf season.
 7 - 13 years old all welcome. For more info contact
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KELLY SPORTS OCT HOLIDAY PROGRAMME - NGATITOA DOMAIN, PORIRUA

Our hugely popular Kelly Sports Holiday Programme is back for the October Holidays for children 5-13 years. Come and join the Kelly Sports coaches for the best in sports!

We have created an Action Packed Programme including: : *The Tough Kids Challenge, Batt & Ball Day, Galaxy Defenders Day, All Stars Day, Football Fun Day, Kelly Sports Classics plus trips to Awesome Bounce, Wgtn Museum, Space Place and Zealandia!*

Click on the following link to see the activity planner - Kelly Sports October Holiday Programme Activity Planner

To enrol www.kellysports.co.nz, email adminwgtn@kellyclub.co.nz or ph. 021 972 728

Kelly Sports - Spring into Sports term 4- Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 4 with their fun and exciting classes. Come and try *Football, T-Ball, Cricket and Ripa Rugby!* It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability.

We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports - throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more - all while having a great time!

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201



COASTLANDS STAR SEARCH

TUESDAY 11TH TO FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER

The world-famous Coastlands Star Search is on in Coastlands shopping town, Paraparaumu in the second week of the October school holidays!

If you've got a talent - singing, dancing, gymnastics, acting, or anything you think the judges would like to see, then please pick up an entry form from the Coastlands Information Desk, or email Kelly.dawson@nzme.co.nz for a copy. There are two categories - Category 1 is children aged between 5 and 11, and Category 2 is for ages 12-17 (or 18 if still at secondary school).

Be in to win AWESOME prizes from Stirling Sports, Kapiti Chocolate factory, an annual family pass to Coastlands Aquatic Centre and much much more!

In conjunction with "Coastlands Shopping Town", "The Hits" and "Stirling Sports".



**Does your child like
to sing, dance, act
and perform?**

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I Didn't Invite You Here to Lecture Me

A play by Amy Mansfield
Performed by Mika Austin

In this verbatim comedy set in a lecture theatre, head back to university for a quick-fire education, word for word. Seven years of quotes from 7,000 pages of university notes are gleefully stitched together in this solo show following eight characters across multiple subjects. From linguistics to education to law and policy, this merciless examination of lecturers and back-row bandits is guaranteed to get you a degree in 55 minutes.

"Be prepared to weep with laughter, this is an education no student loan can buy you." -
Theatrescenics

Sat 1 Oct, 7.30pm

St Andrews, 11 Steyne Ave, Plimmerton

Tickets at eventbrite.co.nz

Aotearoa Reading Road Trip

October School Holiday Programme 2022

Tuesday 4 October, 2pm

Tūpuna Time Travelling – Bring along a photo of an ancestor and make them a part of our collective whakapaka timeline. Ages 10+.

Wednesday 5 October, 2pm

Books for Bubbas – board book story time for our littlest borrowers. For preschoolers.

Friday 7 October, 2pm

Wā Kōrero Reorua – Te Reo Māori/English bilingual story/waiata/craft session. All welcome.

Wednesday 12 October, 10.30am

What's Hiding in the Shadows? – Not everything is what it seems in this spooky story time. Suitable for ages 5+.

Thursday 13 October, 10.30am

Many Ways of Knowing – Take time for peaceful reflection in this mindful story time. Suitable for ages 5+.

Friday 14 October, 2pm

Tūpuna Time Travelling presentation – Who will your tūpuna meet when we combine our whakapaka stories? Ages 10+.

Parents/caregivers must remain with children at all times.

Photography may be taken at some events for promotional purposes – please advise us if you do not want you/your child/ren photographed.

Due to space and craft material limitations, please email to advise of large groups.

All enquiries to bee.trudgeon@porirua.govt.nz

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Aotearoa Reading Road Trip



Image © David Elliot – from *Bumblebee Grumblebee* (Gecko Press, 2022).

October School Holidays

Join us on te whāriki for a reading road trip through time and place, featuring some of the finest pukapuka Aotearoa has to offer. Something for every age, from pēpē to tūpuna.

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