



NEWSLETTER - week 10, term 1, 11 April 2019

From the Principal

Kia ora e te whānau

It has been a busy and productive term for our students and many of them are looking forward to a little bit of downtime in the holidays. Certainly some of the staff are! We hope you all have a safe and happy holiday break with your children over the next two weeks. **School reopens on Monday 29 April.** Kelly Club will be operating a holiday programme at school through the holidays. To register your child go to <https://kellyclub.co.nz/plimmerton>.

GOLD COINS TOMORROW

LUI'S HAIR CUT FOR ELSIE AND NEUROBLASTOMA CHILDHOOD CANCER

Tomorrow Lui To'omaga Tapua'i, a year 7 student, will be getting his haircut at school to raise money for Neuroblastoma Childhood Cancer New Zealand.

Red's Hair in Pukerua Bay will be cutting his hair at school at 1:10 pm. You can support Lui and this great cause by donating to his 'givealittle' page and bringing along some gold coins to place on the coin trail. After the haircut Whaea Emma and some student council members will also be doing some hair braiding in the hall for a gold coin donation. <https://givealittle.co.nz/fundraiser/luis-hair-cut-for-elsie-and-neuroblastoma>

EPILEPSY AWARENESS AND FUNDRAISING

Tomorrow the student council are supporting fellow student Lucas Renshaw to raise awareness and funds for the New Zealand Epilepsy Foundation. They are encouraging everyone to wear purple for the day and bring some gold coins for a collection. Student council will be giving out purple ribbons at assembly. They will also be making a short presentation at assembly to educate people about epilepsy.

SWIMMING SPORTS

Taupō and Hongoeka swimming sports were held this week. We have many excellent swimmers, and there were some very close races! It was great to see almost all students taking part too. Looks like we'll have another great team for the Parumoana inter-school swimming!

Mana syndicate has their swimming sports tomorrow (Friday 9-12). Thanks to the parent volunteers who have given up their time to come and support and help with timekeeping.

KOWHAI ATHLETICS

After a couple of weather delays, the Kowhai syndicate athletics took place last Tuesday. It was great to see so many of our parents turn out. Thanks for your help, encouragement and support. Awesome to see our younger students giving it a go, having fun and developing their jumping, throwing and running skills too.

LOST PROPERTY

Please check lost property before the end of term - leftovers will be heading to the local charity shop. Thanks.

Ngā mihi

Mike Forrest - Tumuaki/Principal

Board News

BOARD TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS

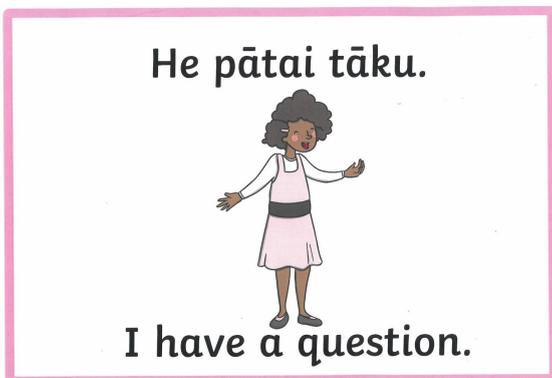
Are you interested in standing at the elections in May? This is a great opportunity to gain governance experience and work as part of a team to achieve the best possible outcomes for all of our students. The Call for Nominations runs from 10 May to 24 May.

What's involved? The time commitment is two Board meetings per term which require some reading prep beforehand. You could also be part of a subcommittee looking at the strategic plan, school policy, property options, finance, HR issues, etc. Training opportunities are provided through the NZ School Trustee Association in a wide range of areas. You don't have to have education experience. You just need to be committed, willing to learn and challenge/ask questions in a school-wide context. Please refer to the [NZTA website](#) for further information.

We are holding an **Information Evening** on **Thursday 2 May** from 7pm in the staff room. It will be relaxed and informal with nibbles and drinks. We would love to see you there.

In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact Melanie Swallow, Chairperson on 021 434 357 or talk to Mike Forrest, Keith Poore, Jasmine Hardy-Mills, Lauren Prosser, Aaron Sherriff, Brendon Cross, Sarah Pomare or Louise Ioane.

It's Cool to Korero!



Kia ora e te whānau,

Here's our new mahi for this week - **e rua ngā kīwaha**, 2 phrases. It builds on from the kupu (word) 'pātai' (question) from two weeks ago.

He pātai tāku: I have a question - *here par-tie* (like a neck tie) *tar-koo*

"He pātai tāku. What are we having for dinner?"

"He pātai tāku. Where's your jacket?"

The next kīwaha is:

He pai tō pātai! Good question!

"He pai tō pātai! I don't know what we're having for dinner."

"He pai tō pātai! I don't know where my jacket is. Have you seen it?"

Jumping in and out of languages is great for our brains - linguists call it 'code-switching'. When we use bits of te reo Māori in with our English, it makes our reo something more natural and easily accessible.

Give it a go - it's cool to kōrero!

Ngā mihi,

Whaea Emma

PTA News



The New 2019/20 Entertainment Memberships are now available to pre order!
Plimmerton School is selling the Entertainment Memberships as part of our fundraising.
We receive \$13 for each book or Digital Membership we sell.

There are fantastic savings to be made at Wellington's leading restaurants, cafes and attractions. Your membership is a great way to find exciting new places to visit, or a reminder to get back to those old favourites. There are also great offers for over 2000 Hotels, Theme Parks, Rentals Cars, online shopping and so much more.

We launch the new edition at the end of March but you can **pre-order your copy** on the link below to receive over **\$180 of bonus offers** that can be used straight away!

They are available to order through the link below. To order securely online go to:
<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/105g178>

Student News

FOOTNOTE DANCE

On Friday the 5th April, The Footnote Dance Company came to our school and did a performance for the whole school. They are based in Wellington and are a Contemporary Dance Company. They performed several dances - one of them they had learned in China.

After the performance they did some workshops with students throughout the school.

We really enjoyed the whole school performance and thought that the workshops were very worthwhile. We hope The Footnote Dance Company comes back again next year.

Eden Soukotta and Aurora Gritt



INDOOR FOOTBALL

Finals

Plimmerton Orcas (0) v Papakowhai Yellow (1)

Plimmerton Stingrays (2) v TKMP Toroa (0)

We are putting together teams for the year 3 & 4 for Miniball term 2 and we need a few more players! If your child is keen, please click this [link](#).

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 t-shirts please click [here](#).

TAUPO SYNDICATE HOODIES

In 2019 Taupō students again, have the option to buy hoodies that have been designed by our own former student Kate Barham! This is to support the strong team spirit that our Taupō students share. If you'd like to order one, the form can be found on this [Link](#).

Plimmerton Primary School on 15th May, 2019

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)

<p>Pack A \$40.00</p>	<p>Pack B \$35.00</p>	<p>Pack C \$29.50</p>	<p>Pack prices (do not pay now)</p> <p>A = 40.00 B = 35.00 C = 29.50 D = 20.00 E = 15.00</p>
<p>Pack D (Portraits) \$20.00</p>	<p>Pack E (Class) \$15.00</p>		

Packs include:

- Pack A: 10x10, 2x10, Postcards, Wallers, Calendars and Class
- Pack B: 10x10, Postcards, Wallers, and Class
- Pack C: 10x10 and Class, Wallers, and Class
- Pack D: 10x10, Postcards, wallers, but no Class
- Pack E: Class only

Comments:

Pack A & B include an order form for your child to take home on the 15th May. Please return this to school on the 15th May. We will send you the order form for your child to take home on the 15th May.

Family/Sibling Photos: Order form is on reverse of advice note which your child will bring home. Order form MUST be returned to school office before photoday for photo to be taken.