

Te Kura o Taupō



NEWSLETTER - week 8, term 2, 2020

From the Principal

Kia ora e te whānau,

The start to school has been great and children have been doing their best to follow the level 2 guidelines. Many of our children are looking forward to their sports teams getting underway. Netball and Hockey players have been advised that Kiwi Hockey will start on Saturday 20 June and Netball TBA. Practices for these teams will start in the coming week. Our usual Matariki Concert at the end of term 2 will not take place, however, we will be sharing some arts and cultural items 'virtually' on our website later in the term.

BEREAVEMENT

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mike Forrest and his family whose father passed away last week. Mike will be returning to school next week.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The PTA Annual General meeting was held on Tuesday evening. This small group of parents have facilitated a number of fundraising events which saw \$74000 contributed to the Board of Trustees in 2019. The school would like to acknowledge the hard work of all the members of the PTA and particularly Dene Harris, the outgoing chairperson, Sean McLauchlan, the outgoing secretary and Nick Evans, the outgoing treasurer.

We would like to congratulate Melanie Clark, elected as chairperson, Dee Jones and Ronit Naamani who will share the secretary role and David Ellison as treasurer. We thank these people for accepting these important positions.

The PTA acknowledges that 2020 is going to be a challenging year to raise much needed funds for the school and they would welcome new members and/or ideas for fundraising which are contactless and reach beyond our immediate school community. They also appreciate that our local businesses may not be in the position to offer sponsorship as willingly as they have done in the past and this may impact on our school gala planned for November. Some planned events have not, or will not, be able to take place this year but at the meeting on Tuesday, members showed a commitment and determination to explore ways to adapt events so they can be held while meeting any guidelines under Alert Level 1.

All parents are urged to give their support to the PTA and any fundraising events which are for the benefit of your child or children.

YEAR 7 VISION SCREENING - INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Regional Public Health provides a vision screening programme for all Year 7 students.

- **Vision** - pupils will be advised of results at the time of screening. If further assessment is recommended you will be notified by mail.
- **Children who wear glasses** and/or are under professional care and have regular checks will not require a vision check from our service.

Non-consent - please notify your school if you do not want your child being screened.

This screening is not a full assessment of your child's vision. If you have any concerns, please see an optometrist.

PARKING

The use of the stop and drop zone in the bus turn around has certainly helped the demand for car parking in the school grounds and the immediate school vicinity. We would ask parents though, to be respectful of the school's neighbours when you are parking and ensure you keep their driveways clear. Please also observe yellow lines so that traffic can flow smoothly.

Ngā mihi,
Jill Symonds and Rosemary Oxnam
Deputy Principals

PTA News

SUPPORT OUR SUPPORTERS

Many local businesses have been incredibly generous in their support of our school through PTA activities. Now is our time to support them. If possible please support the businesses, retailers and organisations on the following list. Apologies in advance for any missed - please let us know as we will circulate this list again.

- [Abundance Mind and Body](#) - Porirua. Yoga and pilates studio.
- [Annemarie \(AM\) Janssen Harcourts](#) - Real estate. Achieve amazing results.
- [Awesome Bounce](#) - Fun for the whole family.
- [Big Mac Slabs Furniture](#) - Outdoor furniture.
- [Black Rose Florist](#)
- [Bottle-O](#) - Mana. Real locals, real value.
- [Brumby's Bakery](#) - Porirua.
- [CareVets](#) - Porirua. Caring for your pets.
- [Cityfitness](#) - Fitness gyms, classes and training programmes
- [Curves](#) - Mana. Women's health and fitness clubs
- [D4 Mana](#) - Craft Beer Bar
- [Dash Swim School](#) - We have a class for every level of confidence and ability.
- [Easyswim](#) - Swimming lessons for all ages.
- [Fisherman's Table](#) - Paekakariki. Seafood Restaurant
- [Fix and Fogg](#) - Makers of divine peanut butter.
- [Flame Hair Stylists.](#) - Hair & Beauty. Ignite a new you.
- [Friends of Mana Island](#) - volunteers supporting DOC in the restoration of Mana Island
- [Hair By The Sea](#) - For your ultimate hair experience, visit our ultimate hair team.
- [Harcourts Paremata](#) - Real Estate
- [HazardCo](#) - Health and Safety made simple
- [J.D. Construction \(Wgtn\) Ltd](#) - Dedicated building professionals
- [Kafe Oranje](#) - Cafe
- [Kapiti Island Eco Experience](#) - Kapiti Explorer - ferry, guiding and sea kayaking on Kapiti Island
- [Leacroft Nurseries](#) - Growers of Quality Native & Exotic Trees, Ornamentals and Perennials
- [Le Mer Boutique Day Spa](#) - Beauty treatments and day spa.
- [Little India](#) - Porirua. Exotic ingredients, familiar dishes and tongue-tingling flavours of India.
- [Mana Pharmacy](#) - Your local community pharmacy.
- McDonalds - Mana
- [Moana Rd](#) - Kiwiana homewares, funky fashion accessories and choice-as technology products.
- [New World Paremata](#)
- [New World - Porirua](#)
- [Noel Leeming - Porirua](#) New Zealand's leading consumer electronics and appliances retailer.



"Ka ako tahi tātou, ka tupu tahi tātou. Together we learn, together we grow."

[Office Products Depot](#) - Tawa. Office supplies and stationery.
[On Heat](#) - Trusted suppliers of commercial and residential heating services.
[Pacific Horizon](#) - Motorhomes. Supplying a range of premium motorhome options to hire.
[Palmer's Plimmerton](#) - Garden Centre
[Paremata Auto Services](#) - Professional mechanics for the greater Wellington region
[Paremata Spa & Pool](#) - helping you relax with hassle free pool ownership.
[Parka Insurances](#) - The pleasure of knowing you're well covered... just in case.
[PD's Performance Development Services](#) - Automotive repair centre.
[Plimmerton Auto Services](#) - Quality and reliable automotive repairs and services
[Plimmerton Boating Club](#) - Sailing, fishing, restaurant/bar and venue hire.
[Plimmerton Deli](#) - Plimmerton Deli specializes in local, organic and good quality deli products including organic coffee.
[Plimmerton Fish Supply](#) - grab some takeaway, and head over the road with your piping hot bundle of fried goodness and enjoy the view of Plimmerton.
[Plimmerton School of Dance](#) - Providing children with a love for dance
[Plimmerton Taj](#) - Specialising in the very best authentic Indian cuisine
[Revl](#) - The fitness playground
[Runway Studio](#) - Siobhan Samuel hairstyling
[Sandbar Bar & Restaurant](#)
[Sarah Searancke Catering](#) - Where style meets substance
[Smart Air Solutions](#) - Heat pump and air conditioning experts
[Supply Room](#) Bar and Restaurant
[The Goods Shed](#) - Plimmerton. Garden Supplies
[The Big Salami](#) - Cafe
[Tinker Tailor](#) - Craft beer brewery and cellar sales
[Whittakers](#) - Chocolate crafted in Porirua.
[Z Mana](#) - Service Station

Community News

These are provided as a service to the community & may not reflect the policies and practices of the school.

Re-energise and Reconnect After School Sports Programme (Years 1-4) - Friday's 3:05-4:05pm

Get your children (Years 1-4) back into being active, feeling excited about playing sports & having fun with their friends. This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a safe, fun & enjoyable environment. It encourages their enthusiasm for sport & life skills that such involvement brings - giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future. We have limited spaces available, so please enrol online urgently! Sessions start next Friday 29 May 2020! We would love to see you! For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201