

Te Kura o Taupō



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NEWSLETTER - week 3, term 3, 2020

From the Principal

Kia ora e te whānau,

Today in our Assembly 70 students received a values certificate. This was acknowledgement of how well and consistently that they had demonstrated one of our school values over the last three weeks. We also celebrated that over 600 values cards had been given out to students over the last three weeks. These are an on the spot recognition of behaviour that reflects our values. The redefining of our school values, and the ways of promoting them are an important part of the 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' (PB4L) project that we are a part of along with many other schools. Another important initiative in this project has been developing a support space and system for students to help guide them when things don't quite go right! See more on that below...

TE RUMA O TAUTOKO (SUPPORT ROOM)

Tautoko means to support, encourage, back, accept, agree.

Te Ruma o Tautoko is a room that has been set up in the school so that students can access support from a teacher, at interval and lunchtime to deal with issues that arise in the playground.

There is a process and shared expectations about how students will participate in the Tautoko Room so that everyone is listened to and gets a chance to speak. The teacher from the leadership team, who is rostered to be on duty, will invite students to tell them what happened so what has happened can be understood by everyone. Together students, with the teacher's support, will reflect on the incident and the behaviour choices made at the time. To move forward, the teacher will then help the student or group of students, to acknowledge the feelings of all involved, and come to an agreement on what they could do differently in the future and which of our school values they could show next time. Where necessary, there will be an agreed 'make good' action or natural consequence.

We are encouraging students to see going to Te Ruma o Tautoko as a learning experience. It is not the "naughty room" but as the definition suggests a place to go where children can feel supported and encouraged, where they can consider their choices and those of others, and have some control in solving issues and planning for more positive interactions that will enable themselves and others to live the school values in the future.

PLEASE HELP US TO BE SMOKEFREE AT SCHOOL

The Smoke-free Environments Act 1990 directs that all school buildings and grounds are smokefree, 24 hours a day, seven days a week (with no exemptions). The education provisions in the Act aim to:

- prevent the exposure of children and young people to second-hand smoke,
- prevent children and young people being influenced by seeing others smoke,
- send a positive message about a smokefree lifestyle as the norm.

The Act applies to anyone on the school grounds, including students, staff, visiting parents, contractors, and people hiring or using the school facilities outside school hours. This applies to all smoking and vaping products, including e-cigarettes.

SCHOOL DISCOS NEXT WEEK - POSTPONED

The PTA School discos were scheduled for Friday next week. These have been postponed. A new date to be advised soon.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic book fair has been a great success. As a result of our sales we have earned scholastic vouchers to the value of over \$2,000. These vouchers will be redeemed for books for Te Korowai Manaaki - the new library. Thank you to the student council and our librarian Liz Nichols for running the fair, and to all the parents and students who supported this by purchasing books.

CHILLED - A STORY WITH A WARM MESSAGE

The New Zealand Playhouse will be performing their show "Chilled" at school on Monday. The show's objectives are to educate and inspire students about Antarctica, encourage and foster a love of science and the natural world and learn about climate change.

PARUMOANA CROSS-COUNTRY RACES

Good luck to our team of 50 runners from Year 4 to Year 8 who are off to compete at the Parumoana Interschool Cross-country on Tuesday 18 August. Also a correction from our cross country results - well done to Poppy K who was 4th in the Year 4 girls race and will be representing in the team.

ROAD SAFETY: STUDENTS CROSSING BETWEEN MOANA ROAD TO SUNSET PARADE

The traffic moves very swiftly along the parade, making crossing to and from Moana Road (the cutting) quite hazardous. If your child crosses here please make sure they know how to manage the road crossing. We have requested that the council consider some measures to make it clear to drivers that children are likely to cross at that point. Please feel free to call PCC to put in your own request for action. The more the better!

RAIL SAFETY WEEK 10-16 AUGUST - CROSS WITH CARE | KIA TŪPATO TE WHAKAWHITI

Rail Safety Week aims to reduce near miss collisions on level crossings. Every near miss is a traumatic event and has a very real impact on the locomotive engineers, the witnesses involved and on those who nearly lost their lives. Never cross when bells or lights are activated and always look carefully in both directions before crossing. Be especially careful to look for a second train. If one train has stopped at a station another one could be coming. We recommend that you show your child/ren this [video on crossing railway tracks safely](#).

For those families interested, have a look at this [Rail Safety Virtual Field trip](#) information that was shared with participating schools in 2019. Visit the [Tracksafe website](#) for more information.

2nd REMINDER - 2021 IN ZONE ENROLMENTS & STUDENT LEAVERS

It is that time of year when we start to plan classes for next year. Having a clear picture of 'leavers and arrivers' helps us to make good class placements and keep classes to an appropriate size.

Do you have a child starting school in 2021? To pre-enrol your child (or check if they are already pre-enrolled) please contact the school office or go to the enrolment page of the school website to access an [enrolment form](#). If you know of any friends or family in our zone who may not have pre-enrolled their child please encourage them to contact us too.

Do you have a child (Year 1 to Year 7) leaving our school during, or at the end of 2020? Please advise the school office to assist us with our 2021 planning.

Ngā mihi,
Mike Forrest
Tumuaki/Principal

School News

TE KURA O TAUPŌ T-SHIRTS



We still have a few Te Kura o Taupō / Plimmerton School T-shirts available to order. The t-shirts are black with a crew neck. The cost of the t-shirt is \$20 for all sizes and can be paid for at the office by eftpos or using your Parent Account. Please email Lisa at the office if you would like one office@plimmerton.school.nz.

We have the following sizes available at the office now:

1 x Medium	4 x Small	
4 x size 8	3 x size 10	1 size 12

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From the Board

SCHOOL DONATION

Thank you to the many families who have already responded to our letter about the school donation.

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 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 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

Update: Some of you have enquired about paying by regular automatic payment. The answer is yes! Please email Louise or Lisa in the office (office@plimmerton.school.nz) and they can deduct the donation from your parent account - either from your existing balance or you can arrange to pay it off across the year. Whatever suits your family.

We appreciate your support.
Aaron Sherriff, Board Chair

POLICY REVIEW

Our School policies are available to view on the [SchoolDocs website](#). The username: Plimmerton and password: respect - will give you access. Each term the board reviews a number of policies. This term we are reviewing:

- Learning Support;
- Appointment procedure; and
- Child Protection

If you would like to view and provide feedback on these policies please go to the "Current Review" tab on the Plimmerton SchoolDocs site and there are easy to follow instructions.

OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS

The board has looked at roll numbers and the likely numbers of out of zone enrolments. There are likely to be 5 out of zone spaces available for 2021. This will be finalised before the ballot in September. The deadline for out of zone applications is 5pm Monday 21 September 2020. Information on the ballot for out of zone places in 2021 is available at this [link](#). Here are links to the [enrolment form](#) and [map of the school zone](#).

PTA News

SAUSAGE SIZZLES

Our next sausage sizzle (PTA fundraiser) will be on Friday, 28th Aug. Get your kids' lunch, just \$1.50 for a sausage, \$1.50 for a Charlie's Juice (for Kōwhai and Mana children it is ordered in the morning and delivered at lunch time).

We are urgently looking for someone who has a couple of spare hours on Fridays (once a Term, 11.20am till 1.30pm) and can give us a hand with preparing and sizzling... Please contact Katrin, 02108001086, katrinellison@gmail.com

ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

Support Plimmerton School by buying an Entertainment Membership! It's a fully digital solution that is valid for 12 months and is easy to use. It includes Dining Options, Retail Shopping & Local Services, Arts, Sports & Attractions, Travel & Leisure, Hotels & Resorts, and Car Hire. Choose from single city or multi-city membership options.

Thank you for your continued support. There has never been a more important time to support us with our fundraising, 20% of every Entertainment Membership goes directly to our school. To support Plimmerton School, just click on this link: <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/105g178>

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Sports Results

 SENIOR NETBALL RESULTS - Saturday 1st August		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Navy	Adventure Fever	25-9	Ruby W
Plimmerton Galaxy	Discovery Swifts	14-15	Gaby V
Plimmerton Foxes	Discovery Tornadoes	26-4	Charlotte G
Plimmerton Diamonds	Adventure Force	12-12	Chloey T

 JUNIOR NETBALL RESULTS - Saturday 1st August		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Dolphins	Tawa Thunder	11-3	Pippa P
Plimmerton Tuis	Tawa Lightening	9-0	Honor D
Plimmerton Keas	Hampton Hill Heat	17-2	Liam C

 BASKETBALL RESULTS - Weds 29/7, 5/8		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton School	Adventure School	36-13	Lenaia N-G
Plimmerton School	Windley School	27-27	Ra P

 HOCKEY RESULTS - Saturday 1st August		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Storm	Tawa	6-0	Hana B, Ella E
Plimmerton Thunder	Plimmerton Lightening	2-1	Molly S

 Futsal - Tues 21/7, 28/7, 4/8		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Kowhai	Discovery Defenders	1-4	Felipe
	Papakowhai Phoenix	1-1	Caterina
	Papakowhai Victory	4-0	August
Plimmerton Hongoeka 1	Norths Nuggets	11-1	Nick F
Plimmerton Hongoeka 2	Postgate Flames	7-0	Harry R
	North Nuggets	14-1	Daniel P
	Senior Creek A	8-2	Ollie M

 Futsal - Weds 22/7, 29/7, 5/8		Score	Player of the Day
Plimmerton Mana 1	Ngati Toa Naturals	0-2	Pete H
	Porirua Pelicans	5-2	Gordon L
	North White	7-1	Josh
Plimmerton Mana 2	Adventure	0-1	Jake W
	Papakowhai Roar	16-1	Tana R
	HFS Knuckles	2-1	Jassin H

Community News

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



11am - 1pm | Dip at 12pm

Dress up Competition | Big Dig | Cake Stall | Raffle
Sausage Sizzle | Bacon Butties | Awesome Spot Prizes

Join us for this great annual event to celebrate and support our Kindy!
You could be in to win amazing spot prizes such as a \$150 Wellington Phoenix prize pack including signed kids' jersey, a \$100 Bouncy Castle voucher from Happy Hire, a signed Warriors ball, or more from Zealandia, Whittakers, and our awesome locals at Plimmerton Deli, Your Wellington Florist, Plimmerton Taj, Plimmerton Fish Supply and Hell Pizza Man!

RAFFLE PRIZES: \$1000+ Longevity | \$ 400 Pamper | \$300 Family Adventure | \$400 Road Trip
Go to <https://bit.ly/plimMWD2020> to buy raffle tickets \$2 each

 Plimmerton Late Winter Dip

Keen to play Squash?

Come along to Mana Squash club at Ngati Toa domain, Mana and give squash a go.

Squash is a great sport that can be played all year round, sun or rain.

We run junior club nights on a Friday from 5pm to 7:30pm, just come along.

Plus we run junior coaching programs during the school terms for all ages and levels, from new beginners and up.

We can provide the kids with rackets and eye wear, all they need is a pair of non-marking shoes and a drink bottle.

Contact Marica at juniors@manasquash.co.nz or via mobile on 027244 2589

Visit our website at www.manasquash.co.nz for more information.

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