

# PANUI - NEWSLETTER - week 4, term 2, 2021

# From the Tumuaki - Principal

#### Kia ora e te whānau

Our very special thanks to the many families who have shown such kindness and support as we have all struggled with the death of Jacob Tate. Andy and Rachel have been very grateful for all the love and support shown to them. The presence of some many school families and students at Jacob's service was a real tribute to the friendships and connections he made while at our school.

#### TEACHER ONLY DAY - FRIDAY 4 JUNE

A reminder to all families that there is a teacher only day on Friday 4 June. This is the Friday before Queen's Birthday weekend. School will be closed for students.

Kelly Club will be running an out of School Care programme for the day. Bookings can be made at  $\frac{\text{https://kellyclub.co.nz/plimmerton}}{\text{https://kellyclub.co.nz/plimmerton}}$ .

# ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

It is **very important to advise the office** if your child is away on holiday, has an appointment and will be late or is sick. The office staff will then advise the classroom teacher. To contact the office you can either phone, go in and see them, or email <u>absences@plimmerton.school.nz</u> or use the absences notification on the SchoolStream app. Thank you to everyone who follows these procedures.



# INTERACTION DAY/PINK SHIRT DAY

On Friday 14 May we held Pink Shirt Day a week earlier than the national Pink Shirt Day on the 21st May, and celebrated by holding an interaction day. Students were divided into groups of mixed ages and rotated around a variety of activities based on the theme of "anti bullying" This supported our introduction of KiVA this year. The children were encouraged to wear pink to school that day and ate their lunch with their interaction group. The purpose of interaction days is for students and staff to interact with other children across the school, build relationships and have fun. The student council helped to run the interaction day. It was very pleasing to see many of the Taupo students helping out the younger students during the activities. A special thank you to Grant Down for using his drone to photograph the whole school as we formed a large pink shirt.





#### **PŌWHIRI**

Thank you to all students for their enthusiastic and respectful participation in the Term 1 and 2 Pōwhiri last week. The students manaaki made sure the welcome for our 30+ new students and their families was a special occasion. Special commendations to the girls who carried out the karanga: Kayleigh-Rose, Lenaia, Aaliyah, Lily M, Eva W and Madison L. Also to Kauri and Phillip for their expert use of te reo Mäori in the delivery of welcome speeches. Tamaiti ako i te kainga, tu ki te marae tau ana. (A child raised by his community to stand with pride to welcome visitors)

## CROSS COUNTRY AT THE PLIMMERTON DOMAIN

The school cross-country was held at the Plimmerton Domain last Friday. It was a great occasion and went very well, in part due to the great weather. Thank you to all the parents who came and supported our students, it really added to the occasion.



Also a very special thanks to the Year 7 and 8 students (pictured below) who helped with marshalling, supporting younger students and packing up at the end. Awesome student leadership!



## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Our School assemblies are a time to celebrate achievements, share some of what has been happening in our school and acknowledge students who have shown our school values through the presentation of values awards. Our next assembly is tomorrow - Friday 24 April. All families and friends are most welcome to attend.

Here are some of the students who received Values Awards at our last assembly earlier in the term.



Back: Eli, Arlo, Karli, Lillian, Giana, Silas, Ayla, Jassin, Felix, Serena, Jacob, Rico, Minty, Cece Front: Gigi, Harper, Sebastian, Zoe, Piper, Cybele, Hunter, Elena, Marnie, Olivia, Scarlett, Eva, Himank, Liam



Back: Will, Molly, Daniel, Toby, Zac, Jamal, Zara, Lily, Lenaia, Amethyst, Tommy Front: Robbie, Jake, Jules, Kyla, Maddy, Tara, Rowen, Cassidy, Aaliyah, Tyler, Travis, Raymond

# STUDENT COUNCIL SUBMISSION ON THE PCC LONG TERM PLAN

A group of our student council members made a presentation to the Porirua City Councilors as part of the public consultation on the draft long term plan. They presented especially well, and with a focus on a youth and Plimmerton community perspective. Here is a <u>link</u> to their presentation.

Felix, James, Chloe, Hazel, Matt, Olive and Mr Forrest







# **RIPPA RUGBY**

A team of students from Hongoeka syndicate and a team from Taupo syndicate participated in a Rippa Rugby tournament last Thursday. They competed against local schools and showed great teamwork and positive attitudes. The year 5 and 6 team pictured below won all their games. Thank you to the parents who came along and supported the students.

Aaliyah, Jett, Charlie, Will, Jake, Ryan, Jessica, Lennox, Lara and Caitlyn

#### HONGOEKA MANA ISLAND TRIP

This week Hongoeka students will be visiting Mana Island. Unfortunately today's trip had to be postponed until Friday. Let's hope for some better weather for the rest of the week.



#### YUMMY APPLES TIME AGAIN

The "Healthy Eating, Healthy Living" "Yummy" sports **promotion** has sports money for schools with \$200,000.00 OF FREE SPORTS GEAR! Over the past few years our school has received a huge amount of sports equipment from this promotion including balls, bats, hoops, cricket gear, etc.

Crunch your way through "Yummy" Apples, collect the "cut out" labels from the 2kg bags of apples or individual Yummy apple stickers (each 2kg bag "cut out" is worth 10 stickers!) Bring your stickers to school for your class chart. Get going, start collecting your "Yummy" 2kg cut out labels and stickers now!

Let's see how many stickers we can get by Friday 22 September.

## NZ PLAYHOUSE THEATRE

The NZ Playhouse theatre will be performing at school next Monday afternoon. This year their show is a hilarious and interactive adaptation of Grimm's beloved fairy tale "Rumpelstiltskin" that will have the students (and teachers) laughing, and thinking about the value of kindness and cooperation, the consequences of not telling the truth and the importance of keeping a promise. A form was sent home yesterday asking for permission for students to attend.

# **PTA News**





# **Community News**

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



## **SOCIAL TENNIS**

We are a group of social tennis players (4 of us) who just enjoy the fresh air and tennis and would like to invite light minded tennis players (male and female) or beginners to join us on Tuesdays and Thursday mornings winter (10.00 am) and summer (9.30 am). There is no charge for playing as we play at the public courts at Ngatitoa Domain. All we ask for is for those interested, to bring a tin of tennis balls to share for the season. We would be very happy for parents to bring their preschoolers with them as there is a completely fenced area right next to the tennis courts which the youngsters can play in safely.

Kind regards, Caroline (042338204) Brenda (042331964 or 0275555981)



# With Roz Baxter

Speech and Drama Teacher
Beginning Term 2

Plimmerton School

# Individual lessons

In school time

My passion is to cultivate and encourage confident and creative communicators.

I love supporting children and adolescents in their own and collective Drama, Speaking and Performance goals

Speech and Drama classes are designed to teach children how to perform poems, plays and short skits.

Lessons develop a students ability to speak with clarity and fluency.

Speech and Drama and its various forms it increases confidence and self esteem.

There's an opportunity for students to sit New Zealand Speech Board exams, these are an additional cost to the lessons provided.

It enhances school work and develops an individuals strengths and talents.

It Draws out shyness.

Is lots of fun!

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