



PANUI - NEWSLETTER - Week 7, Term 4, 2022

Mai e te Tumuaki - From the Principal

Kia ora whānau

The last couple of weeks have absolutely flown by and so much has happened! To the point I almost forgot to write my part in the newsletter today. Let us start with acknowledgements. The biggest acknowledgement goes to our team of volunteers who organised our gala and then to you our community who attended, even though the day started off unkind, the amount of people who walked through our gates was incredible - so thank you everyone for playing your part. We are very grateful to our sponsors who year after year support us and without your generous support a lot of our big day would not happen.

Welcome to summer! Scary to think it is summer now and Christmas just weeks away. As we have mentioned previously our school structures are taking place with staff being appointed, student placements nearing completion and teachers preparing for the end of year tidy. This takes a considerable amount of time, thinking and organising so I wanted to acknowledge our incredible educators who are ensuring this happens and trying their best to make sure our students are placed in a classroom where they will build friendships, strengthen their values and develop their academic ability across all areas of our busy curriculum.

As a staff we have begun the exciting journey of planning ahead and we have come up with a 'theme' for next year. The theme (which you will be a big part of and hear a lot about) is **"UNDER THE SURFACE"**. Having a broad learning 'theme' enables us to think creatively about what we deliver curriculum wise and how our tamariki can dig deeper into knowing themselves and what is important to them. We will start in term one by using Manaakitanga to understand (what is under the surface) for showing love and kindness. What does that mean for us as a school and what does it mean to others when all of us show Manaakitanga. Plus much, much more! It is a change in what we traditionally have done, but with change comes excitement and we have the passionate staff to drive this learning journey.

As we enter our final couple of weeks we do begin to farewell members of staff, students and whānau who have been at Plimmerton School for varying lengths and made different contributions through their time. Next Friday at 2pm we will be having an assembly to acknowledge the staff who are leaving. If you are one of the families who are leaving us and will miss the last day, thank you from your Plimmerton School whānau for allowing your children to learn and develop with us. We wish you and your families well in your future endeavours and look forward to seeing you in the community.

Until Week 9, have a safe start to summer and enjoy the next couple of weeks.

Nga Mihi

Chris Steffensen, *Principal - Tumuaki*

Coming Events - to put on your calendar

Week 8

Monday 5-9 December

Mana Beach Safety

Kowhai Water Awareness programme

Monday 5 December

Aotea Orientation Day for Year 8's

Tuesday 6 December

Wellington Regional Athletics

Friday 9 December	Hongoeka Syndicate fun day Farewell assembly for staff who are leaving - 2pm. All welcome.
Week 9	
Monday 12 December	Kowhai Syndicate end of year trip to Aotea Lagoon Mana Syndicate end of year celebration
Tuesday 13 December	Taupō Syndicate fun day
Wednesday 14 December	Reports emailed home Children meeting new teacher and class
Thursday 15 December	Year 8 Leavers Dinner
Friday 16 December	Last day of school Final Assembly 11am - school finishes at 12 o'clock

End of Year

The end of term is fast approaching and there is a lot on. On Wednesday 14 December children will be meeting their new teacher and class, and reports will also be emailed home.

Our last day of term is Friday 16 December. The leavers assembly will start at 11am and you are most welcome to join us to farewell the year 8's. This will finish at approx 12 o'clock and children will be dismissed from their classes.

Parumoana Speech Competition

This term Taupō and Hongoeka classes have been learning how to write effective, interesting speeches about topics they are interested in. Once their speeches were completed they rehearsed them using oral language techniques they had learnt in class. They then presented their speeches to their class and semi finalists were chosen to present their speeches to groups of classes. From this the finalists were chosen and they presented their speeches to the whole syndicate. Congratulations to the children who got through to the finals.

Only one person from each syndicate could go through to the Parumoana competition and the winners this year were: Brooke Jordan who did a speech on the Plimmerton Dairy and Evie Smith who did a speech on Greyhounds. Congratulations to both of them.

Library Corner

Our top ten student borrowers for 2022 are:

1st: Will (19); 2nd: Thomas (21); 3rd: Grace (22); 4th: Eli (14); 5th: Charlotte (22); 6th: Liam (13); 7th: Oscar W (3); 8th: Jasper (13); 9th: Ollie J (13) and 10th: Alyssa (22). We just love to see how much enjoyment our students get from their reading.

During the year our Year 5 to 8 students have the opportunity to write book reviews. Our top reviewers for the year are 1st= Eli (14), Nathaniel (22) and Luke (22); 2nd= Amelia (16), Grace (22) and Ava (21). Please encourage your children to write reviews after they have read a book they love. It is a great way to inform their fellow students about books that are in the library and also gives students the opportunity to improve their writing and critical thinking skills.

Congratulations to Eli from Room 14, this year's Chess Club winner. Our final four place getters were: 1st: Eli (14); 2nd: Adam (15); 3rd: Bentley (14) and 4th: Daniel (18).





Eli with his winner's chocolate



Final match - Eli and Adam



3rd v's 4th playoff - Bentley and Daniel

Thanks to all students who participated in the 2022 Chess Knock-Out competition.

Scholastic Book Club Issue 8 has now been delivered to classrooms. I still have a couple of "gift" books in the library awaiting collection from parents. Your child's classroom teacher has hopefully passed this message to you. A massive thank you for supporting our Book Fair and 5 Scholastic Book Club issues. The library will get off to a cracking start in 2023 with books that we have purchased using our Scholastic Rewards.

There is still time for leaving families (and staff) to donate a book to the library. Please contact me sarahs@plimmerton.school.nz if you would like to gift a book. I can send you a list of book suggestions. You may have another book in mind, so please email me or search the catalogue first to ensure that we don't already have it. Each donated book will contain an inscription from the family/student/teacher who has donated the book. Many thanks to those families who have already contacted me.

Please check out our library catalogue to see what books are available (<https://nz.accessit.online/PLM03>).

Happy reading,
Sarah

2023 Back to School Stationery

For the 2023 school year we have teamed up with OfficeMax to make your back to school stationery shop super easy.

Stationery for years 1-8 will no longer be purchased from the school. Instead you can shop for your child's stationery from the comfort of your own home, or holiday spot, and have it delivered directly to your door. Don't worry, we've negotiated the best possible prices so you can shop online with confidence.

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The classroom consumable charge for 2023 is \$10.00 per student and covers printing, tissues, sanitiser, paper towels, sun screen, coloured pencils, and colouring pens. The Classroom consumables will be charged when you place your order and will show as a separate transaction on your credit or debit card.

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We hope you find online ordering easy and convenient. Please don't hesitate to contact the office if you have any queries about OfficeMax MySchool. We look forward to your child having a successful start to the new school year!

Please note, if you have new entrants starting during the year their stationery packs will still be purchased directly from the school office.

Seesaw

With the introduction of Hero in 2023 (the school's new student management system) we will not be renewing our subscription to Seesaw. We are aware that a large part of the school community uses Seesaw to view and celebrate students' learning, and rest assured that Hero offers a similar, if not better solution. You will be sent invitations to connect with Hero in the New Year.

What does this mean for all the wonderful images your child, and child's teachers, have shared via Seesaw? If you would like to keep a copy of these photos you will need to **download these via your Seesaw account before 31 December 2022**. You will not be unable to download any photos after this date.

Please follow this [link](#) which gives a step-by-step guide to downloading your child's photos.

Plimmerton School Sports Uniforms

We still have sports uniforms from our Netball, Hockey and Rippa Rugby teams that need to be returned, along with school t-shirts worn at the recent Athletics competition. Please drop these off to Katie in the office, in a named bag (full name and room number!). **Deadline for returning school uniforms is Monday 12 December**. An invoice to cover the replacement cost will be sent for all uniforms not returned by this date.

Plimmerton School Triathlon 2023

With the school pool back in action it's time to start planning for the school triathlon in March 2023! We're on the lookout for a new Event Director to run next year's event. If you're keen to learn more and potentially pick up this role (with support from Pete Barton) please email plimmertonschooltriathlon@gmail.com or text Pete on 022 067 0357.

PTA News



GALA 2022 Major Raffle Winners!

Thank you to everyone who sold and purchased tickets and congratulations to all our raffle winners! Our Major Raffle Winners are:

- 1st prize Pacific Horizon - Lea Kennedy
- 2nd prize FS Cycles - Angela Stommers

3rd prize Cityfitness one year membership - Nicole Jacobs
 4th prize Plimmerton Motors - Layfields (already delivered)
 5th prize Noel Leeming Bluetooth Speaker - Gear family
 6th prize Easyswim \$200 voucher - Sharon Thomson
 7th prize Mana Pharmacy hamper - Karen Lewis
 8th prize Zohar Acupuncture voucher - Suzy Pinguet
 9th prize Kapiti Chocolate box - Megan Le Almedia
 10th prize Enjoy Store voucher - Bryce Holmes
 All winners have been contacted by phone.

Congratulations to all our winners, we hope you enjoy your prizes, and a huge thank you to our sponsors who donated the prizes!

A BIG thank you to all our wonderful sponsors. Please support them when you can.

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Community Notices

Hayley Johnson Dance Studio is putting on **THE NUTCRACKER** performance for all of the community, family, and friends. Our students have lots of fun and work hard every second year to present a performance that will entertain and inspire. Tickets are now on sale!

There are two shows at the Victoria University Memorial Theatre on Kelburn Parade, Saturday 10 December at 6.30pm and Sunday 11 December at 1.30pm.

Tickets: Adults \$26 / Uni Students with ID \$20 / Senior Citizens 65+ \$20 / Children 5-15yrs \$18 / Under 5's free sitting on an adults knee / Under 5's their own seat \$5

To order tickets please email Hayley Johnson on dancing_dudes@hotmail.com



Aotea College is excited to be welcoming International Students back!

With the return of International Students, we are now looking to expand our pool of homestay families, for both short term and long term hosting.

At this stage we are specifically trying to find homestay families for Japanese students arriving January 28th and departing March 6th, as well as for a group from Japan arriving on March 10th for 2 weeks.

Why host?

Hosting a student is an enriching experience for both yourselves and the student. You'll experience a true cultural exchange, sharing knowledge of your culture whilst learning about the many different cultures represented by our students. Often host families build lasting relationships with their students

What we provide

Aotea College has a well-resourced International Department, with a Homestay Co-ordinator who is able to provide you with advice and support.

Homestay families are paid a weekly fee of \$300 which is reviewed annually.

For more information about hosting a student please check out: international.aotea.school.nz/homestay or email cox@aotea.school.nz

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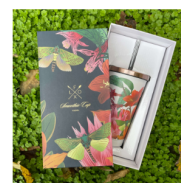


The [School Fundraising Shop NZ](https://www.schoolfundraisingshopnz.co.nz/) have offered a special 20% off discount* code to our school community. With every purchase you make School Fundraising Shop NZ will donate 10% of the order total to Plimmerton School. Get in quick as this discount is only valid until December 4th 2022, use the discount code below and remember to select Plimmerton School at checkout.

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JANUARY 2023

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

NGATITOA DOMAIN, PORIRUA



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KELLY SPORTS JANUARY 2023 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME - MON 9 JANUARY - TUES 31 JAN 2023

This sports based holiday programme will give your children the opportunity to try different sports, learn new skills, build their self-confidence, and most importantly have a huge amount of FUN.

Your child can expect high energy, all-inclusive games and activities to keep them entertained and engaged for however long they are staying!

We have an exciting programme planned including:

"Tag your it Day", Kelly Sports Inflatable Football Arena, Sports Mash Up Day, Dodgeball Day, Super Summer Sports Day, Incredible Race Day, Sports Carnival Day, Summer Splash Day plus trips to Ten Pin Bowling & Aotea Lagoon, Picnic in the Botanical Gardens, Wellington Zoo, Roller Skating and Maidstone Park, and lots more..

To Book go to www.kellysports.co.nz

Super Summer Sports - Term 1 - Thursday's 3.05pm-4.05pm for 8 weeks!

Enrolments are now open for term 1!

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings, giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

The sports we will be focussing on in term 1 are: Cricket, Dodgeball, Athletics and Ultimate Frisbee.

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