

# Newsletter Term 2

## Wk 5 2021



### Important Dates for Term 2

<b>7 June</b>	<b>Queen's Birthday</b>
<b>8 June</b>	<b>Teachers only Day</b>
<b>10 June</b>	Science celebration
<b>14 June</b>	Powhiri
<b>17 June</b>	Room 3 and 4 Zealandia Trip
<b>18 June</b>	Room 1 and 2 Zealandia Trip
<b>24 June</b>	BoT Meeting
<b>2 July</b>	Matariki Celebration
<b>9 July</b>	Last day of term 2



PAUATAHANUI  
SCHOOL

#### Term Dates 2021

##### Term 1

Wed 3 Feb – Fri 16 April

##### Term 2

Mon 3 May – Fri 9 July

##### Term 3

Mon 26 Jul – Fri 1 Oct

##### Term 4

Mon 18 Oct – Wed 15 Dec

It is likely that 2 teacher only days will be scheduled during the 2021 school year.

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### Friday 4 June 2021

Kia ora e te whānau.

I can't believe we are already halfway through term 2 and that we are now officially into winter. I was so impressed by all the students on Cross Country day, whole school events like this are really special. I loved seeing our students' determination, their ambition, their perseverance and their support and encouragement for others. We are looking forward to our Science Celebration next week and hope you can join us.

### PROPERTY

The building work is continuing to move along at a great pace with lots of work happening on the deck and steps. We can see what a great space this will be. The painters are onsite and this weekend the plumber will be in to install hot water to the toilets by Room 4.



### POWHIRI

This week's rain made us postpone our Pōwhiri for the second time. We have rescheduled to Monday, the 14th of June at 9.30am. The Pōwhiri is to welcome the new whānau and staff that have joined Pauatahanui School in 2021. Everyone is welcome to attend. **Fingers crossed for good weather.**

### BUS TURN AROUND

At the end of the day we have a bus that comes just before 3pm, the bus driver needs to be able to get in and out of the bus turn around easily. If you find yourself in front of the bus please move on so that they are able to keep to their timetable and so that our pick up and drop off zone clears more easily. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

## **TEACHER ONLY DAY**

This weekend will be an extra-long weekend for you all as we have scheduled our 2nd teacher only day for the year on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June. This day is set aside for our staff professional development and we are really looking forward to learning from Kathryn Berkett. Kathryn has her Masters in Educational Psychology and a wealth of knowledge to share. Our day with Kathryn will be focused on;

- Understanding how the brain connects/learns.
- Understanding the impact of early trauma can have on the developing brain. The impact this has on the behaviour we see and how we can effect change
- Self-Care – looking after ourselves, so we can look after others



## **LOST PROPERTY**

We have a pretty large pile of lost property at the moment. We put this out every assembly day in the hope that some of it will be claimed. If you are looking for something at other times the lost property bin lives on the deck outside Room 6. All lost property will be donated to the Salvation Army at the end of this term.

**Ngā mihi Kate Excell - Acting Principal**

## **HIGH FIVE**

In today's Junior Assembly the following students were awarded with a certificate:

Tom  
Max  
Arlo  
Annabel



Amorey  
Travis  
Jonathan  
Nova

## **Tough Guy and Gal Challenge 2021**



On Thursday 27th of May 2021 in Wainuiomata some kids from different schools went to this challenge. When you go on the run you face lots of obstacles such as going through mud (which is very slippery) under barbed wire, over fences, you also go through bush which has lots of mud and small mud rivers, most of this is in the bush. Right at the end is a freezing cold pond that you have to walk or swim through. The year 5-8s have a 3km run and the year 3-4s have a 1.5km run. We loved the challenge so why don't you give it a go next year!  
Liam H and Therese S-T

This year's tough guy and gal was muddy, freezing but a whole lot of fun. The course was 3km long! Some of our favourite parts were: The muddy hill we had to walk up after going under barbed wire. Another one of our favourite parts was sliding down the big muddy hills and going through all the small streams and the big river at the end. We would truly recommend you to go to this event but remember it's for the tough guy and gals.  
Sofia B and Riley L

All of us enjoyed the muddy features of the tough guy and gal.  
My favourite part of the mud run was the freezing river at the end.  
This would be the highlight of the school year.  
I would love to do that again and I would definitely recommend you doing it.  
Tough guy and gal challenge + friends = BEST DAY EVER!!!! *Rosie S and David ET*

It was fun and the pond was super deep - *Charlotte De Boer*

I got really muddy and the big pond was very cold, freezing cold - *Kenzie De Boer*

It was good because it was fun. Getting dirty and muddy was fun - *Toby W*



## FROM THE OFFICE

### Lucky Book Club Issue 4

Please either order online through the Loop Book Clubs app or bring your order form to the office by 10<sup>th</sup> of June. Thank you.

### We are still collecting bread tags!

Thanks so much to all who have sent bread tags into school, we have quite a collection!

Do you have bread tags lying around that need a good home?! Ruma tahi are continuing their collection of bread tags for the 'bread tags for wheelchairs' charity. The more we collect the more good we can do! Please send them to room one and place them in our bread tag collection box. They get recycled into seedling trays - all the profit then goes to a charity, some locally in New Zealand and some in South Africa where they buy wheelchairs for people who need them. Many thanks, Mrs Layfield and room one.

## CELEBRATION OF SCIENCE



See classes in action! Come and join us!  
Science Inquiry - Our local ecosystem  
Thursday 10th June 8:45 - 11:00am



Whitireia Hub (Room 9, 10) will walk to the Inlet to share observations of local flora.  
10:00 - 11:00am



## WHITIREIA HUB

### Cross Country

Last week on Tuesday, May the 25th we had Whole School Cross Country. Everyone was dressed up in their house colours, which was really fun to see. There was lots of cheering and support from friends and classmates and other house members. If you ran you earned a house point, along with the place getters. Everyone that participated tried their best and enjoyed themselves. Several people from years 4-8 will go on to compete at Parumoana Cross Country. The year 7 and 8's were allocated jobs which were supporting kids and telling them where to go, and were leaders who had to run at the front or at the back to keep track of the kids running during the year 1's 2's and 3's races.



## Talofa Lava

On Tuesday we made Panipopo (coconut buns) as part of celebrating Samoan language week with Mrs Dalton. To activate yeast, you need to add sugar and water. We learnt that yeast is a living organism and is dried out to be preserved. It smells horrible. The buns were in the shape of a pinwheel and the sauce was very sweet, creamy, and sticky. It was white from the coconut. Some of us liked it, some didn't. Overall it was fun to learn more about Samoan culture and try something new.



# Room 3 and 4

We have lots of fun learning our sight words in Room 3+4. These are some of the ways we learn them. Using magnetic letters, chalk, playdough, shaving foam, rainbow writing, whiteboards, and dye.

like



look



Mum



up



play

## Junior Art Club Term 2

What an enthusiastic group of people with great smiles we have in art club this term. We started with 30 on the first day and we have kept the numbers to around 20 each week. What a great turn out!

This week we have been learning to use pastels. Some of us worked on drawing cats based on the work of the artist Laurel Burch and then chose pastels to bring our cats to life.

Here we are having fun working with pastels to colour in our cats and other drawings.

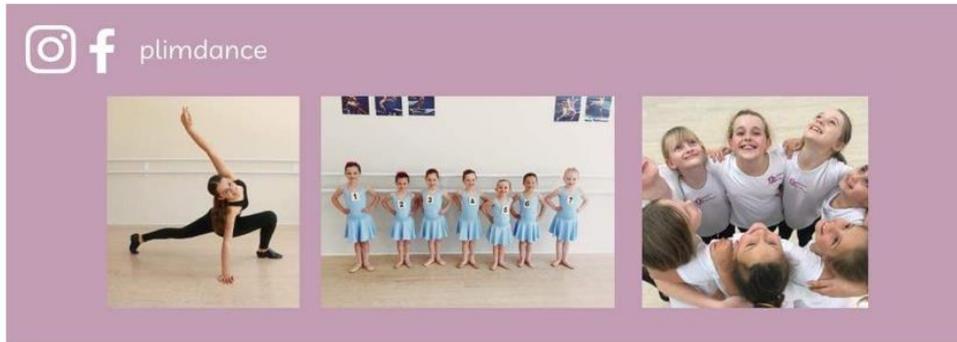


## Room 2 Special Visitor

This week in Room 2 Ailsa Atkins (Jack's Mum) came in to talk about her Uncle George who is an entomologist. Ailsa talked to us about Uncle George's amazing pop up book called "Bugs". We looked through all the wonderful illustrations and special features of the book. We also watched a video featuring Uncle George talking about insects. Now we know where Jack gets some of his insect interests from! Thank you Ailsa and Uncle George!



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