

Newsletter Term 3

Wk 2 2023



Important Dates

Term 3

3 rd August	Board of Trustees Meeting (6.30pm in the staffroom)
8 th August	Kathryn Berkett information evening
11 th August	Senior Assembly 9.10am
25 th August	Junior Assembly 2.10pm
22 nd September	Last Day of the Term



Term Dates 2023

Term 1
Wed 1 Feb – Thur 6 April
Term 2
Mon 24 April – Fri 30 June
Term 3
Mon 17 Jul – Fri 22 Sept
Term 4
Mon 9 Oct – Mon 18 Dec

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Term 3 -School Sports Calendar

Weeks 1-10	Ngatitoa Netball	Every Saturday 2nd of Sept is the last round
Week 4	Senior School Swimming Sports (Years 5-8) - Cannons Creek Pool	Thursday 10th August (9am - 12pm)
Week 6	Parumoana Swimming Sports (Years 5/6) - Cannons Creek Pool	Tuesday 22nd August (9am - 12:30pm)
Week 6	Parumoana Swimming Sports (Years 7/8) - Cannons Creek Pool	Thursday 24th August (9am - 12:30pm)
Week 9	Parumoana Tournament (information TBC)	Tuesday September 12th pp Thursday September 14th 9.30am - 2.40pm
Week 10	Inter Regional Cross Country	Thursday 21st September

Friday 28th July 2023

Kia ora e te whānau.

Term 3 is underway! There is a lot of excitement around the FIFA Women's World Cup, which is fantastic. We are lucky to have such an important sporting event take place in New Zealand and be so accessible to us.

This term our inquiry focus is "Be Your Best"! All classes will be exploring strategies for dealing with conflicts, and how to stay true to your values even in challenging situations. Teachers will be using games as a way to highlight these situations. Classes will be playing favourite board games, outside games and sports (as well as learning some new ones!) they will be exploring how to demonstrate fair play, how to express thoughts and feelings in a respectful way and how to develop skills for resolving conflicts.

ROOM 9A

On Monday 21st August our new New Entrant class will be starting in Room 9A, which is on the other side of the kitchen beside Room 9. This class will be taught by Kate Excell and Sharon Gibson.

Both Kate and Sharon have considerable experience teaching New Entrant children and are looking forward to working with our newest 5 year olds. Room 9A is not the same size as a standard classroom, but is large enough for a small group of 10 New Entrant students. This class will be part of the Kawhia Hub and will work closely with Room 4.

WINTER ILLNESS

We have been asked by the Ministry of Education to share the following information from Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand.

Guidance on wellness indicators within children:

- If a child has been unwell with a respiratory illness other than COVID-19, they can return to their early learning service/education facility 24 hours after they have significantly improved and are behaving/eating normally. If they still have a runny nose or dry cough without any other symptoms such as a fever, vomiting or diarrhoea, then they are unlikely to be infectious and can be considered well enough to attend their early learning service/education facility.
- Following vomiting or diarrhoea, a child must be symptom free for 48 hours before they can return.
- In general, a doctor's certificate or clearance should not have to be provided for a child to go back to their early learning service/education facility after being unwell.
- A child who has a runny nose after a change in temperature (e.g. moving from outdoors to indoors) or sneezes due to obvious stimuli (e.g. the sun or dust) does not need to be sent home.
- Hay fever and other allergies can show similar symptoms to the common cold such as sneezing, a runny or stuffy nose and coughing. If a child has a history of allergic symptoms and shows one or more of these symptoms, or an itchy face (especially around the eyes or throat), consider if hay fever or an allergy could be the cause. You may need to check with the child's caregiver to confirm.

SWIMMING

We were scheduled to do school swimming at Tawa pool towards the end of this term. Since 2021, the last time we did swimming, the cost of the swimming lessons and bus hire has increased considerably.

Based on these costs, we would need to ask parents for \$90 per student, which I feel is far too much.

We understand the importance on providing swimming lessons and water safety programmes, especially as New Zealand has a large coastline and many lakes and rivers. But have decided that we will not go ahead with swimming this year and use this as an opportunity to reset and explore how we want to deliver swimming and water safety programmes that are financially sustainable moving forward. Please be reassured that Pāuatahanui School is committed to providing swimming and water safety opportunities for students and we aim for this to happen in 2024.

Ngā mihi

Caine Webster - Principal

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FROM THE OFFICE

Lucky Book Club

Please complete your orders for issue 5 latest by the 1st of August. Thank you.

School Photos

School photos will happen next week Tuesday – Thursday. Below is the timetable, so you can see when your child's room will have their classphoto taken. There are sibling photo spots available to book. Please go to clairefraser.nz/schools to sign up ([click on Sibling Photo Booking](#), [enter passcode 2023SIBS](#)). For any group photos (sports and leadership) your child's teacher will be in touch to inform you and let you know what the required uniform is.

	Monday 31 July	Tuesday 1 August	Wednesday 2 Aug	Thursday 3 Aug
8:00-8:30		Siblings (6 families)	Siblings (6 families)	Siblings (6 families)
8:30-9:00		Netball Teams x 3	Siblings (6 families)	Siblings (6 families)
9:00 - 10:00		Room 4	Room 1	Room 3
10:00-11:00		Room 5	Room 2	Room 10
11:00-11:25		Staff Group Photo (24 staff)	Staff Individuals	BREAK TIME
11:25-12:25		Room 6	Room 7	GROUPS C
12:25-13:05		GROUPS B	GROUPS A	GROUPS D
13:05-13:55	Studio set up	LUNCH TIME	LUNCH TIME	LUNCH TIME
13:55-14:55	Studio set up	Room 9	Room 8	Individual catch ups
15:00-15:30		Siblings (6 families)	Siblings (6 families)	Studio pack down
				Studio pack down

Tuatara visit

Last week, Spike and Scientist in Conservation Ecology, Sue Keall visited from Te Herenga Waka Victoria University Wellington. Last year our Potty Planters team supported a project about lizards in our school. This visit was to see a reptile face-to-face.



Thank you to Eva at the School of Biological Sciences for choosing our school as a site for research.



TREE PLANTING DAY FOR
RAUKAWA AND WHITIREIA WITH
PORIRUA CITY COUNCIL



WE ARE GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY
COME AND JOIN US

WEDNESDAY 23RD AUGUST - 3 SESSIONS DURING THE DAY
STREAM ALONGSIDE NAVIGATION DRIVE PATHWAY



Room 3 and 4 100-day party!

Room 3 and 4 have been recording how many days we have had at school since the start of the year. Today we got to 100! We celebrated by having a 100-day party. We decorated and ate cupcakes, stacked 100 cups, played a dancing game, made 100 crowns and dressed as 100 year olds.







Room 5

Room 5 has been having fun doing a research project about players in the Football Ferns. We each have a player and have been using ipads to find out facts about these players. We are learning to put this information into paragraphs and display it in pairs.





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TAINUI HUB (Rooms 1 and 2)

Tainui—Rooms 1 & 2

Tainui love Whakatōmene (Discovery/Exploration time)

Every Friday we explore, discover and learn together—last week our theme was games and we loved playing a variety of inside games; chess, snakes and ladders, Jenga, pick up sticks and lots more! We incorporate our PAUA values, negotiating with one another, using fair play and supporting each other. Kapai Tainui :)



RAUKAWA and WHITIREIA HUB
(Rooms 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10)



Raukawa loves learning!

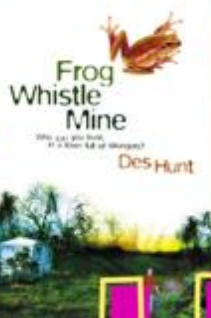


We know how to
work independently,
with a buddy and in
a small group.





Whitireia students
have hit the ground
running! Learning is
well under way.



WOW!

We love novel study in Whitireia!



It was so quiet, you
could have
heard a pin
drop!



room 1 and room 9



On Thursday, we
got together to
do a word search
and make our
own.



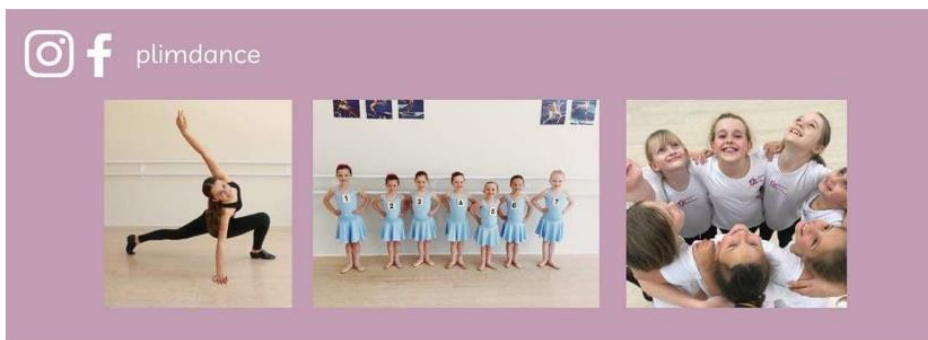
Hopefully we can
do a different
activity together
another time

This is a great
opportunity for our
older students to
support our younger
students and to
make connections.



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