

Ponsonby Primary School

Te Kura o te Rimu Tahī

Message from the Principal

Kia ora Parents and Whanau,

Welcome back to the start of the term, I hope you all had a fantastic break. We have kick started the term with the Ponsonby School of Dance. They are working with our students to choreograph some amazing dances for our students in preparation for our school show which will take place later on this term. More information around the school show will be sent out closer to the event.

A big thank you to Hannah Folster and Amy Moll with their organisation of the schools show, they are both doing an amazing job preparing for this huge event. Also a big congratulations to our lovely Hannah who got engaged in the holidays!



This Friday our Year 6 Health and Wellbeing group are organising a gold coin donation event for Red nose day. If you could, it would be greatly appreciated if your child could bring in a gold coin. We are asking if students can wear something red on Friday. All the money raised will go towards the Cure Kids charity.

Next Thursday, the 5th of August, is the opening night for our Art Exhibition. The Art exhibition takes place in our school hall, every child will have a piece of art that will be displayed and a few select pieces from each year group will be credited with awards. We will open doors from 5.30pm on Thursday and this will be open until 7pm. The awards will be presented to the children at 6pm. The Exhibition will also be open on Friday from 2pm - 3.30pm and on Saturday morning from 9.30am - 12pm.

A reminder that in Week 3 on Friday 13th September we have a Teacher Only Day. These were allocated in an Accord between the Ministry of Education, NZEI Te Riu Roa and PPTA Te Wehenga Rua. Our teachers will be working on our local curriculum and collaborative planning and preparing the learning programs for our children for the rest of the year. Have a great end to the week and let's hope our Olympians bring home some more medals!



Events

Week 1

- Dance week with Ponsonby school of Dance

Week 2

- Cook Island Language week
- Kakariki Kelly Tarltons trip - Tuesday
- Australian Maths Competition- Wednesday
- Art Exhibition

Sibling Enrolments

If you have a younger sibling of a Ponsonby Primary student turning 5 either in 2021 or 2022 that you would like to enrol. Please contact our Office Manager early to start the process.
khobday@ponprim.school.nz

SCHOOL SHOW, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Dear parents, we are after a set/s of walkie talkies or headsets we can borrow for our school show (date needed is the 23rd September). We need something appropriate for backstage/staff members to communicate with each other. If you can help us out please contact hfolster@ponprim.school.nz. Thank you!



Cure Kids Red Nose Appeal

This Red Nose appeal, we're inviting you to join us to help raise funds for more research into a wide range of child health conditions including childhood cancers, inherited heart conditions, epilepsy, infectious diseases, cystic fibrosis, sudden unexpected death in infants (SUDI), stillbirth, burns as well as child and adolescent mental health – and many, many other areas of research. Taking place on Friday 30th July 2021, Red Nose Day is Cure Kids biggest fundraising appeal where incredible kiwis across Aotearoa come together to help fund big research for little lives. Children are invited to wear as much RED as they can and bring a gold coin donation.



Cyber Safety Talk

In week 4 - on Thursday the 19th of August from 6-7pm in the school hall we will be holding a cyber safety workshop, Steve Voisey will be the guest speaker for the workshop. Following a 15 year teaching career, Steve Voisey has worked as a Professional Learning Facilitator for the last 7 years – teaching teachers about safe and meaningful use of technology in the classroom. Steve is a father of five, and throughout 2020 helped teachers and families navigate distance learning programmes.



This workshop will cover:

- Device choice – what sort of technology should families have in the home?
- What are teachers trying to achieve with technology and how can we support them?
- Guidelines for technology in the home
- The role of gaming and related apps (Among Us, Fortnite, Minecraft, Twitch)
- Content restrictions – what sort of content is appropriate for each age"

If you need to bring your children along, our staff will be available to supervise during the workshop. We hope to see you all there.

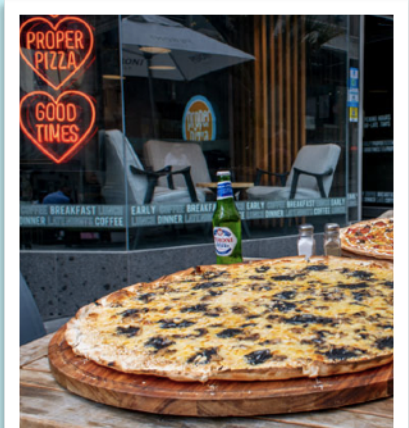
COMMUNITY NEWS

Thank you to Stuart Deeks, owner of Proper Pizza for supplying Pizza for our school Taste of Ponsonby fundraiser.

Proper Pizza is offering our parent community with a 20% discount code when ordering from Proper Pizza.

The code for the Ponsonby Primary community is - PP20 for parents and supporters.

<http://www.properpizza.co.nz/>

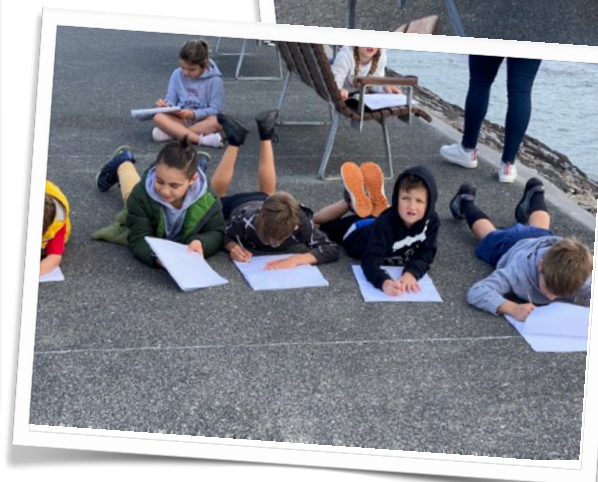


Ruma o te Wiki - Room 10!

In Room 10 we created our art for the Art Show using all recycled materials.

We used old vinyl records, test pot paints from Resene (kindly donated) and cardboard from old writing pads. Our focus was the Waitematā Harbour and the Harbour Bridge and we studied the Impressionists like Monet and Van Gogh. We went down to Westhaven and sketched the bridge - how we saw it, not how we thought it should look.

When we were painting we tried different techniques with the paint including long brush strokes, dabbing and blending. Creating this piece of art took a long time but we are so proud of our art and can't wait to have it displayed at the Art Show next week.

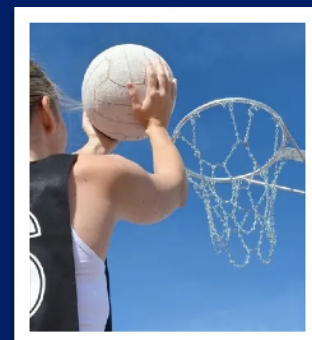


COMMUNITY NEWS

Calling Year 3/4's who want to learn some netball skills!!

My name is Hayley and I am an ex PPS student. I am offering my time and skills every Saturday from 2-3pm on the Top Court (PPS) for anyone wanting to come and have fun and learn some netball skills. There is no need to commit for the term, just come when it suits. I am asking for a Gold coin donation please as I am fundraising for Kidscan.

Last term, the kind donations from these sessions allowed me to donate \$115 to Kidscan. Hope to see you there. If you have any questions, please text me 0210789273.



KOWHAI REQUEST!

Year 5 and 6 would love donations of clean and folded newspapers for construction activities this term. If you have any newspapers at home, please drop them off to Room 7. Thanks, Mrs Radcliffe

Australian Maths Competition

If your child is participating in this competition on Wednesday next week and would like to do some preparation, please use these links:

[website:https://www.amt.edu.au/department/amc-practice-solutions](https://www.amt.edu.au/department/amc-practice-solutions) (past papers and solutions)

<https://app.problemo.edu.au/student/sandpit> (more problem solving experiences)

Please make sure the children bring their device fully charged next Wednesday for this exam.

KAKARIKI KELLY TARLTON'S TRIP

On Tuesday August 3rd Kakariki will be visiting Kelly Tarlton's as part of our Inquiry. We will be leaving school at 9am and returning at lunch. Children will need a sneaky snack, morning tea and named drink bottle. A letter has already gone home, Please email Miriam Harford if you would like another copy, a reminder letter will be going out again in Term 3.

mharford@ponsprim.school.nz



PONSONBY PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPEECH & DRAMA LESSONS

WHO?

Open to all Ponsonby Primary School students.

WHEN?

Lessons are held during and after school at Ponsonby Primary School, on Thursdays.

WHERE?

Ponsonby Primary School

LESSONS INCLUDE...

- Public speaking skills
- Acting skills
- Positive body language
- Speech writing & delivery
- Vocal skills
- Poetry recital
- Reading aloud
- Manners & relationship skills
- Building self-esteem & confidence

We also offer professional qualifications through our association with NZ Speech Board and Trinity College of London.

In an ever-changing and fast-paced, technology-addicted world, it can be difficult to guesstimate what skills our children need in order to prepare them for an uncertain future.

However, there is a bedrock set of skills that have always been essential throughout history, and will continue to be for all generations to come. That is; the skills that give us the ability to communicate, to be creative, and to have a grounded sense of self-confidence.

In a nutshell this is exactly the family of skills that Head Held High speech and drama lessons are designed to develop.

At Head Held High we use hundreds of fun games and imaginative scenarios in our lessons, to teach conversation skills, confident body language, respect for ourselves and others, how to relate positively to peers and adults, public speaking skills, good manners, and harnessing creativity. All blended into a programme that all types of students love and have fun being a part of!

In addition to all of the above, Head Held high students also have the opportunity to gain globally recognised qualifications by sitting Trinity College of London or NZ Speech Board examinations.

To enrol for your no-obligation trial lesson simply visit:

www.headheldhigh.co.nz/enrol-for-head-held-high

Or, if you've got questions, we're happy to answer them!
Simply email: kateimlach@headheldhigh.co.nz

For more information

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE A BIRTHDAY IN JULY.

Lucas Van Goch-Old 7/1

Emily Doherty 7/2

Samuel Muthuraja 7/2

Violet Goodwin 7/4

Oliver Eriksen 7/5

Jack Kelly 7/7

Jack Wright 7/7

Luella Dolan 7/7

Naomi Moore 7/9

Hugo Gray 7/9

River McIntosh 7/10

Luca Gee 7/11

Archie James 7/14

Fiona Lakeman 7/16

Dominic Deeks 7/16

Jasper Sigley 7/18

Edwin East Cook 7/20

Eva Cribb 7/21

Oli Li 7/21

Eva Cribb 7/21

Oli Li 7/21

Lou Orme-Gee 7/21

Luca Roderique 7/22

Chloe Moore 7/22

Willow McMath 7/25

India Dunsdon 7/26

Parker Elliott 7/29

Julia Vicini 7/31