

Ponsonby Primary School

Te Kura o te Rimu Tahī

Message from the Principal

Kia ora parents and whanau,

We are now over halfway through the term and we continue to experience fantastic weather which is being enjoyed by our students and staff. Despite us still operating at Red, school life is operating normally. The classrooms are buzzing with happy children who are settled and learning. We have been lucky to have minimal staff and students isolating over the last month and we have managed to keep school operating normally. It has been pleasing over the last few days to see a large number of students returning to school and we currently have 85% of students learning onsite. We anticipate seeing more students back on site next week unless they are Covid positive or isolating. Our teachers are to be commended for the amazing job they are doing in running high quality programmes in these trying times.



We have decided that our Three Way learning conversations will be done online this term. This is due to our school still operating under the red light setting and reducing the need for gatherings onsite. The interviews will take place in Week 11 which is the last week of this term. Your child's classroom teacher will be sending out information to you regarding times for interviews, these may take place either before or after school.

I would like to congratulate our Year 6 House Captains for organising our Frozen Friday Ice Block fundraiser. The children were amazing with their marketing skills and this was evident as all the Ice Blocks were sold out!!! Well done to our House Leaders.

The Year 6 Wellbeing group is going to be running a crazy mask day on the 7th April more information will be given closer to the date. This is not a fundraiser but will just be a fun day for our Tamariki to show their creative side!

Next week we will be running our Yr 1-3 swimming sports carnival at school. Mrs Robins will be sending more information home around the logistics of this event. The following are times of the events.



Week 7
Term 1

Sibling Enrolments

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

Brimmed hats for all children is compulsory at school.



9am - 9.30am Year 1

10am - 10.30am Year 2

11.45am - 12.15pm Year 3

We are currently unable to have the Year 4s join the Year 5 and 6 children at the Millenium pools as we usually would due to the venues gathering restrictions, due to this we are looking at running the Yr 4 swim sports at Pt Erin pools. We are currently looking at dates for this and will update our school whānau when we can.

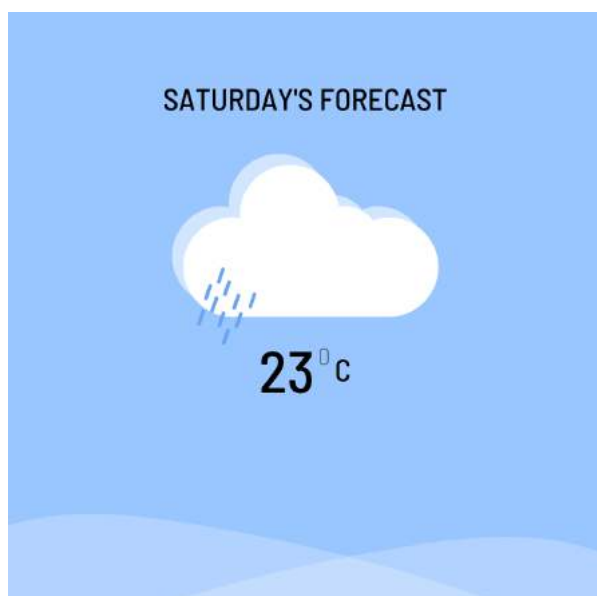
Finally, if you have not paid your donations yet, you can either pay this online or in the office. For us as a school, we rely heavily on these donations as this helps us fund extra teacher aids and the amazing opportunities that our students benefit from. You also have the ability to claim back your taxes on school donations. We are pretty low with the intake of our donations to date.

Have a fantastic weekend!

Ngā mihi nui,

Sanjay Rama

Ponsonby Primary Weekend Weather Forecast



Notices & Updates

YEAR 4 NETBALL PLAYERS & NETBALL UMPIRES NEEDED!!

We need year 4 netball players so please see Mrs Radcliffe if you are interested.

PPS needs some committed and trained umpires for the upcoming winter netball season. We will need umpires on both Monday and Wednesday afternoon/evenings. If you are interested please email Sarah on sradcliffe@ponsprim.school.nz

We can often organise transport to and from games if needed. If you are interested but untrained, check out the NNH website for more information about umpiring courses: <https://www.netballnorthharbour.co.nz/>

PONSONBY RUGBY CLUB - RIPPA TEAM

Ponsonby Rugby club are looking to enter a PPS rippa team to their U6 and U7 rugby draws.

A parent coach/manager is needed! Games to be played on Thursday and Friday afternoons at Ponsonby Rugby club and afterschool trainings can be organised within your team. Support from the rugby club for this will be available.

If your child is 7 years or under on the 1st of January and you are keen to give it a go please email fnaera@ponsprim.school.nz

WWF | **WHALE TALES**

24 JANUARY - 18 APRIL 2022
Whale Tales is an immersive public art trail, across Tāmaki Makaurau!

Inspired by the threatened (nationally critical) Bryde's whale, the trail is made up of 80 Big Broo and 82 Pēpi Pod whale Tail sculptures dotted around Auckland's streets, parks, and open spaces.

Explore the unique and stunning whale Tail sculptures, designed by talented artists and students, and sponsored by generous businesses and organisations. Every Tail has its own tale too, so soak up the rich stories as you journey through the trail.

After the trail ends, the sculptures will be auctioned to raise funds for WWF-New Zealand's vital work to protect and restore the Hauraki Gulf and the Bryde's whales that call it home.

WHALE TALES APP
Download from the App Store or Google Play

**LOVE A TAIL?
BID FOR IT AT AUCTION!**
Register to bid email kwalsb@wwf.org.nz

VIRTUAL TRAIL
Can't get out and about?
Then let's go virtual!
virtual.whaletales2022.org

DONATE
Text Whale to 2923 to donate \$3 to World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) - New Zealand. Funds will support work to restore the Hauraki Gulf and help save our Bryde's whales.

AUCTION EVENT
Mon 2 May
Bid to purchase your favourite Tail at this evening event!
Online or in person whaletales2022.org/events

MERCH RANGE
shop.whaletales2022.org

PRESENTED BY
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A Wild in Art event in partnership with Auckland Unlimited

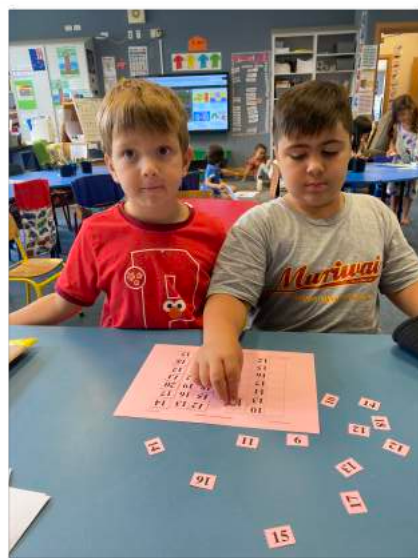
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Room 21 at Rippa rugby & doing some maths in class.



Year 3/4 Gardening club planting Carrot, Broccoli and Spinach



This weeks Pegasus Flyer recipients are....



Room 1 Hunter Slee for working so hard on his reading and noticing when he has made a mistake and fixing it himself. So proud of you!

Room 2 William Materi for being a kind, considerate and resilient member of Room 2, keep up the great work William you are fabulous!

Room 3 Claudia Gates for wonderful progress in reading

Room 4 Luca Macintosh for being such a kind and caring student in Room 4

Room 10 Fyfe Donaldson for working hard at listening to feedback and acting on it and **Seb Walker** for always giving 100% in everything he does.

Room 11 Jade Brainard for always working hard and being a fantastic member of our class and

Marley Falefitu for working hard to complete all of your work!

Room 15 Barnaby Waring for working so hard to learn his spelling words and for being a fabulous classroom helper

Room 17 Hugo Hind for trying so hard with all his learning and moving into the Sea Horse swimming group. You are amazing Hugo and **Hugo Gray** for writing wonderful stories and being a great maths problem solver. You are brilliant Hugo.



Room 21 Zoe Hanna for having a positive attitude to learning and being a good friend and role model

WELL DONE, KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!

Te Reo Māori Word of the Week

tātau

This means 'counting'



Kids Bootcamp

by **FitnessAllTogether.**


An inclusive, adapted and playful way to spend your holiday while staying fit with your friends!

9AM-10AM on **MONDAY** (18th and 20th) & **WEDNESDAY** (25th and 27th) of **October** at Ponsonby Primary School Hall

What to expect?
An adapted workout for kids using light medicine balls, skipping ropes and other equipment. We focus on **building team spirit, inclusivity and improving coordination!**

Limited sign-ups available
Book your space **NOW!**
Just **\$20** per person per class.

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For more information and sign-up, scan the QR code.



PONSONBY RUGBY CLUB

PONSONBY PRIMARY - U6 & U7 RIPPA RUGBY



PLAY RIPPA RUGBY FOR PONSONBY PRIMARY AT THE PONSONBY RUGBY CLUB EVERY THURSDAY OR FRIDAY NIGHTS. TRAININGS AFTER SCHOOL.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March Birthdays

Charlie Barton

Alice Barton

Thomas Aitken

Lula Wright

Otis Jeffrey

Clementine Coney

Hugo Wells

Chloe Hodgetts

Mila Stephenson

Max McKimmon

Elliott Baker

Sofia Hutchinson

Sylvie Whittle

Barnaby Yelash

Alexei Leopardi

Raphael Leopardi

Nico McKay

The Nanette Cameron School of Interior Design is enrolling now for 3 May course start.

Open to all levels of experience, attend one 2.5 hour class per week and learn the foundations of interior design. In-person and correspondence class options available.

Established in 1967 and renowned in the design industry, this comprehensive two-year foundation course has been empowering students for decades to create their own satisfying home environments.

To learn more and enrol visit nanettecameronschool.com.



Year 5 and 6 working on a physical coding lesson yesterday in Thursday programme

