

Ponsonby Primary School

Te Kura o te Rimu Tahī

Message from the Principal

Kia ora parents and whanau,

Wow, we are now half way through the term! It has been fantastic to see our learners settled into classroom routines and enjoying the company of their friends over the past few weeks. Kaiako (teachers) across all learning teams have been impressed and encouraged by the resilience, positive attitude and engagement of our learners. We know that much of this is the result of your encouragement at home and PPS staff are so grateful for your support.



This week Lucie Cheeseman, who is a Math facilitator, has been working with our staff around developing Inquiry learning in Math. Lucie will be working with our staff throughout the year and the focus areas we are focussing on for our tamariki are developing skills in collaboration and problem solving.

Last night, we had our first PPSG meeting. It was a great turnout and it was fantastic seeing so many new faces who want to help the school with fundraising. The PPSG and Mr Naera are gearing up for our first major fundraiser which is our annual Taste of Ponsonby.

Our first fundraiser will be our annual Taste of Ponsonby and at this stage will still be planning to go ahead. As this event is penciled in for June, we are hoping we will be out of Red so will be able to go ahead. On the note of fundraising, our Year 6 leaders have decided they would like to fundraise for shade umbrellas, local charities and sports gear for schools who are less privileged than ours. Next Friday, our house captains will be selling lemonade Ice blocks at Lunchtime for students to buy. The cost is a Gold coin donation so if your child/dren would like to purchase an Ice Block, please put a gold coin in their bag for next Friday.

Final few reminders, please keep children at home if they are feeling unwell. As we know, the number of Covid cases will increase over the coming weeks. Currently we have 11 children who have tested positive and all children and families are doing well. The coming weeks are going to be quite difficult for us as a school as when teachers are sick it is impossible to get relievers, we would like to keep our staff as healthy as possible so we can continue to keep classes open and children on site.



Week 5
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.**



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.

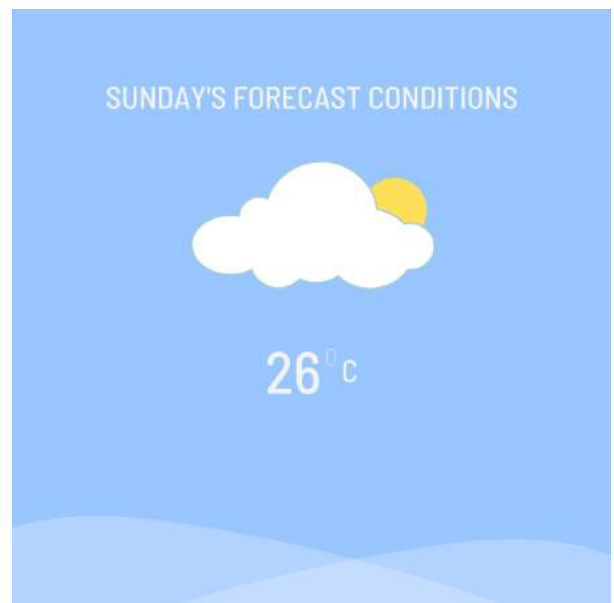
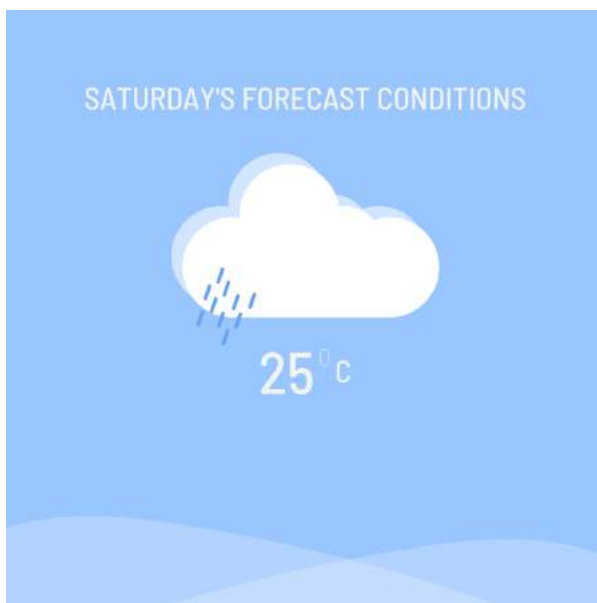
Good luck to all the children who are taking part in weekend sports and especially for our teams who are involved in Splash Polo and Basketball.

Kind regards,

Ngā mihi

Sanjay Rama

Ponsonby Primary Weekend Weather Forecast





- **EZY LUNCH ORDERS**

Ezy Lunch will resume from Monday the 21st of February. You can order your child's lunch through kindo.

https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/pdf/school/ponsonby_primary_school/Menu.pdf

- **COVID 19 RED LIGHT FRAMEWORK**

All assemblies & Inner City sports are currently on hold during this alert level. .

- **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/>

- **SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB** - Now available to order online <https://www.scholastic.co.nz/parents/lucky-book-club/>

(Parents just search Ponsonby Primary School)

- **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

Room 3's Whale Tale progress



This weeks Pegasus Flyer recipients are....

Room 1 Raphael Craig-Menzies for managing himself so well when painting our whale tail. It is so fabulous to have you in our class!

Room 2 Mikah Fung for being a kind, considerate and hardworking member of Room 2

Room 3 Mishka Pretty for contributing beautifully in maths discussion. Keep it up!

Room 4 Freddy Stocker for being such a kind, focused learner in our Room 4 class. He is awesome!

Room 5 Jayden Do for his hard work and the excellent attitude he shows in the classroom.

Hugo Baker for a fantastic start to the year, and for being so focused and determined in all that he does.

Room 6 Phoenix Bryant-Linn & Bessie Leys

Room 7 Maddie Spicer for her awesome attitude and fantastic work ethic. Way to go, Maddie! & **Bladon Phillimore-Smith** for being an engaged and thoughtful learner who always shares his great ideas with others. Awesome work, Bladon!

Room 8 Zach Compton & Neve Dunphy

Room 9 Miles Lattie for his amazing effort producing a brilliant piece of creative writing

Max Hannah for becoming an excellent role model this year by always showing kindness towards others

Room 10 Zachary Riley for working really hard on his reading - great work & **Kareena Beeramathy** for being a kind and considerate classmate.

Room 11 India Dunsdon being kind and courteous and always putting your best foot forward & **Eli Hancock** for having a wonderful attitude towards your learning.

Room 15 Asher Taylor for all the hard work he has been putting into his writing. Well done Asher. Keep it up! **Landon Reid** for being a fabulous listener on the mat and for doing a great job at working independently on tasks

Room 17 Gracie Hill and Charlie Anderton

Room 18 Billie Couch and Arham Shar

Room 20 Spencer Bunbury for his kind attitude, what a great friend you are!

Room 21 Theia Eason Using her letter knowledge to sound out words & **Rosabella Yu** Her enthusiasm towards all her learning! Rosa is a delight to have in the class!

Room 23 Julian Fleming for putting 100% into everything that she does and producing work of excellence &



Michael Rahman for his calm and thoughtful way of approaching school life and people.

WELL DONE, KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!

Te Reo Māori Word of the Week

Whanau

This means 'Family'



PLAY FOOTBALL AT WESTERN SPRINGS AFC

Club Open Day & Boot Swap
Sunday 6th March 9am - 11am

Girls and Women's Open Day
Sunday 13th March 10am - 12pm

Junior, Youth and Senior Registrations
Open until 20th March

2022 SEASON

Junior Inhouse 5th-12th Grade

May to
September

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.

For further information,
visit our website

WSAFC.ORG.NZ



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

Ponsonby Primary Children busy learning

