

Ponsonby Primary School

Te Kura o te Rimu Tahī

Message from the Principal

Kia ora parents and whanau,

It has been great to have many students back at school this week after being household contacts and isolating due to COVID. Hopefully, as a school, we have just about reached the peak and we are on the home straight!! Currently we have 25 children who have tested positive and all children and families are doing well.



It's good to see students being so proactive in keeping themselves safe and ensuring that they follow the school COVID procedures.

A big thank you to our staff who have worked hard to provide learning for students both face to face in the classroom and online where needed. And thank you to you, our parents for your timely and informative communication around household contacts and positive cases that we are receiving. Please keep this communication flowing freely as we must report case numbers to the Ministry of Education on a daily basis.

We have decided that we will still be able to run our school swimming sports for Yr 5 & 6 children at the Millenium Institute swimming pool. The restrictions from the venue is a group size of less than 100 including children and staff so we will be running the event in two sessions over the day. We will have the Yr 5 in the morning session and the Yr 6's will take place in the afternoon session. Unfortunately parents will not be able to attend due to these restrictions but we believe it's important to provide these opportunities and experiences for our tamariki. More information will be sent home next week. A big thank you to Mr Connor for his efforts to make sure we can safely run this event for our senior students.

We are looking at our Yr 1 - 4 swimming sports as well. We are working through the logistics on how we can run this event at school and once we have finalized this we will let you know how this will look.

Just a reminder that next Friday, the 18th of March, is a Teacher Only day. Our teachers will be working on looking at our local curriculum and collaborative practices.

And finally what an amazing school board we have, as you know the board is responsible



Week 6
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.**



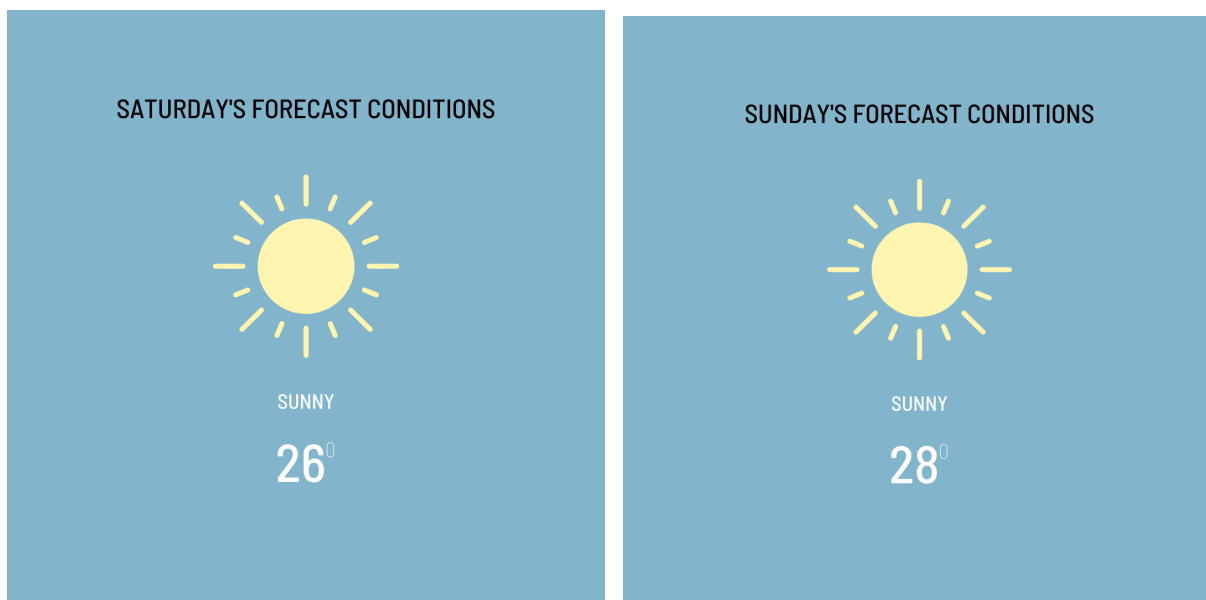
for the governance of the school. We are fortunate to have a very supportive Board who resource our school to ensure we achieve high quality teaching and learning. The Board had their first meeting of the year last Thursday and Lisa Crooke was re-elected as Chair and Davida Dunphy as Vice chair. Our other members of our board are Lisa Carbines, Joe Telford, Justin Edgar and Susan Robins who is the staff representative. Thank you for all the hard work you do.

Have a fantastic weekend,

Kind regards,

Ngā mihi, Sanjay Rama.

Ponsonby Primary Weekend Weather Forecast



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.



- **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/>

- **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

- **YEAR 3 & 4 MONDAY BASKETBALL LEAGUE**

The Monday afternoon Basketball League in our very own school hall starts this coming Monday! By now, everyone should have been notified of their teams and their respective managers. If there are any questions, please contact Arran Connor at aconnor@ponsprim.school.nz. Good luck to all our teams and players!

- **REMINDER FOR THE YEAR 2 INFORMATION MORNING**

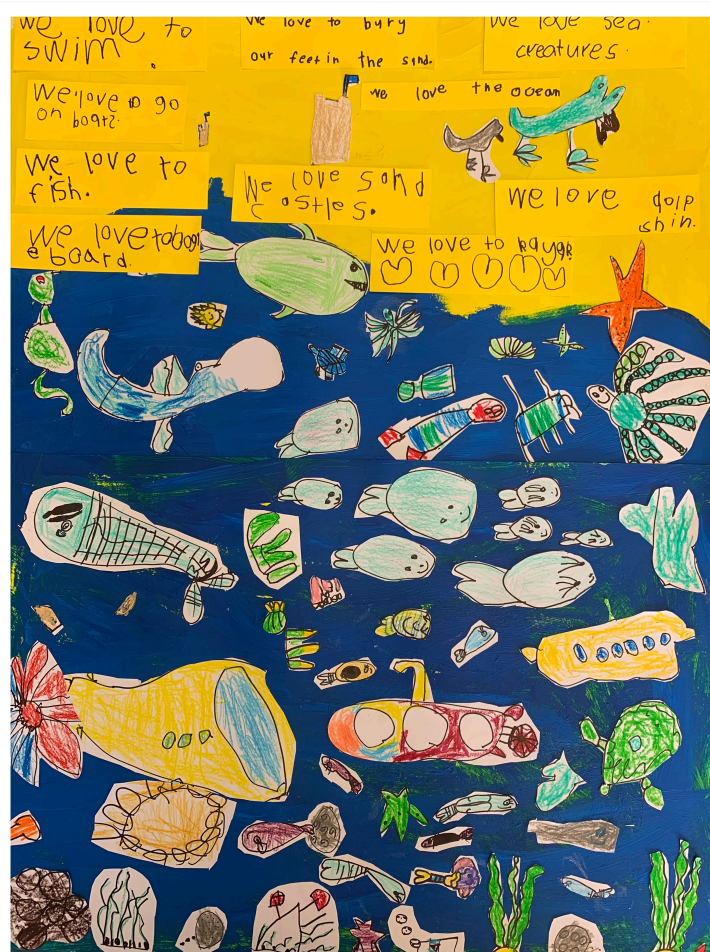
Next Thursday morning the 17th of March from 8 - 8:30am via zoom. Miriam Harford will send out this link next week.

- **St Patrick's Day - Thursday the 17th of March**

If you would like to send your child to school wearing green please feel free to do so.

Room 18 wrote about why they love the ocean to celebrate Sea Week.

Room 3 practising their stream line arms at swimming!



Room 21 made Smarty Pants creations



Room 21 Zoe putting the alphabet flags in order



This weeks Pegasus Flyer recipients are....

Room 1 Dewdu Nambukara-Gamage for Using great problem-solving skills in maths to solve tricky place value tasks.

Room 3 Jago Aue for excellent work managing himself during maths and contributing in class discussions.

Room 4 Emily De Lacey for a great start to the year and being brave when facing challenges with new learning.

Room 5 Nicholas Aitken for showing independence in the classroom and listening attentively to instructions and

Emily Doherty for always being on task and for participating and sharing in whole class discussions.

Room 6 Sam Eriksen for always contributing thoughtful ideas to class discussions and **Rosie Ormsby** for showing amazing teamwork and collaboration in maths tasks.

Room 7 Savannah Carpenter for focussing on her learning and doing particularly great research on her biography this week. Keep up the awesome effort! **Zane Oyagawa** for working hard on developing his self regulation and organising his tools for learning. Awesome effort, Zane.

Room 8 Leo Craig-Menzies - for being an inspiring sustainability leader and an all round great student! **Zoe Russell** for working hard, always trying your best and showing kindness towards others.

Room 9 Edwin East-Cook for showing great creativity while making his International Women's Day comic and **Beau-Ruby Hotu** for consistently showing excellent self-management and organisational skills.

Room 10 Nova Young for her wonderful focus and effort after being away from school and **Olivia Bines** for her wonderful attitude towards everything she does - what a star!

Room 11 Anna Bourke for having a wonderful attitude towards learning and **Tyler Stephenson** for becoming an independent and motivated learner.

Room 17 Lou Orme-Gee and Mila Stephenson

Room 18 Billy Marsters for working so hard in writing, you are listening for sounds in words. **Finn Heise** for working so hard to learn your letters and sounds.

Room 21 Ollie Corden for using his phonics knowledge to help write unknown words and **Hugo Wilson** for working hard to learn his pink sight words.

Room 23 Bella Bradley for the positive and creative way she approaches new learning and **Billie Hannah** for taking on new learning with ease and creating unique and interesting photographs.

WELL DONE, KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!



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

Frozen Friday Fundraiser

The money raised will go towards purchasing sporting equipment for our school and umbrellas for our outside tables for the Kowhai eating area.

