

Ponsonby Primary School

Te Kura o te Rimu Tahī

Message from the Principal

Kia ora parents and whanau,

Today we held our Junior Swimming Sports for our Year 1-3 students. What a fantastic event it was, the children had so much fun in the pool, swimming and dancing. A big thank you to Miriam Harford for running such an amazing event.

Yesterday we held our Year 4 swimming sports at Pt Erin pools, another successful event, a big thank you to the parents who helped out on the day and also a big thank you must go out to Mr Connor who has had to adapt to make sure these events can go ahead in the current settings.

Next Friday we will be running out Yr 5 & 6 swimming sports events. The event will be staggered due to restrictions under the red light settings. We feel that it is important to run these events for our tamariki, even if they differ from our usual events, as these are the experiences that a lot of students look forward to and remember.

Last Friday we had our Teacher only day and it was an extremely successful day where each syndicate was closely around collaboration and working together on our Local curriculum.

We are noticing our numbers drop in relation to Covid cases within our school community. Currently we have only 6 children at home with Covid and the great news is that the children who have caught the virus have recovered well. Just a reminder that we still need to be vigilant and keep students home if they are showing any symptoms.

We are also in the middle of organizing our first major which takes place in Term 2. For our new parents this is known as the Taste of Ponsonby, a live auction evening which is always a popular parent social event to mark on your calendars! Your class parent liaison will be sending you some information about the event and how you may be able to support the school with Taste of Ponsonby.

The theme for the year is Midwinter Christmas, our decorating team are currently looking for items that they can use to make the school hall look magnificent, if you have anything that they may be able to borrow, please email Jo Baker Jo.k.baker@gmail.com



Week 8
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.



We are also looking for any items that can be donated for our auctions, previous donations which have been popular are vouchers, items, experiences, weekend bach use, fishing trips etc. We are happy to take any donations from our event, please email Francis Naera fnaera@ponsprim.school.nz if you are able to donate anything.

As the Govt announced changes to the Red light setting it really doesn't change much in school settings. We are hopeful by Term 2 we will be able to run school assemblies and return to normal school life. We really appreciate all the efforts our community is making. The three way learning conversation will be done via Zoom and your child's teacher will be sending out information next week around booking times for interviews, these interviews will take place in Week 11 of this term.

Have a fantastic weekend!

Ngā mihi nui, Sanjay Rama.



Year 1, 2 & 3 had their swimming sports at school today. Well done to all the swimmers!





SCHOLASTIC LUCKY BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Lucky Book Club Issue 2 is out now! Please support our school and order some books! There are some fantastic bargains and book sets in this issue, as well as some great gift ideas. Order online through the LOOP system **before Thursday 31st March.**

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 after school 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

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 kwals@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

WWF
WHALE TALES
AUCKLAND 2022

WILD IN ART
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Ponsonby Primary Weekend Weather Forecast

SATURDAY'S FORECAST CONDITIONS



22°

SUNDAY'S FORECAST CONDITIONS



21°



Kids Bootcamp

by FitnessAllTogether.

An inclusive, adapted, positive and playful way to keep your kids mentally & physically fit during the holidays!

Sessions			Breakdown
Tuesday 19th	9-11am	Ponsonby Primary	9am: drop off / meet 9:15am: Block 1: Fitness
Thursday 21st	9-11am	Ponsonby Primary	9:35am: Block 2: Yoga 10:00am: Break
Tuesday 26th	9-11am	Ponsonby Primary	10:15am: Block 3: Fitness 10:35am: Block 4: Yoga
Thursday 28th	9-11am	Ponsonby Primary	10:50am: Together to end

What to expect?

Our sessions have a mix of Fitness, Yoga, Meditation and breath-work activities run by certified instructors in a safe environment.

Groups will be split into 5 to 7yo and 8 to 11yo.

What's the vibe?

Collaborative, inclusive, playful.

Parent friendly (if you're going to hang around, we would love you to join in with us!)

\$40 per person per session
(or \$140 for all four!)

Limited sign-ups available.
Book your space NOW!

[Fitnessalltogether.co.nz](https://fitnessalltogether.co.nz)
 [fitnessalltogether](https://www.instagram.com/fitnessalltogether)


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For more information contact Kevin:
kevin@fitnessalltogether.co.nz

This weeks Pegasus Flyer recipients are....



Room 1 Raphael Leopardi for Making progress in his reading. It is so great to see you working hard and fixing up words all by yourself.

Room 4 Max McKimmon for his great effort at the Year 4 Swimming sports day. Well done!

Room 5 Alice Hoskin for an excellent start to the year, and the independence she always shows in the classroom & **Felix Aue** for his fantastic work in Maths and always listening attentively to the teacher.

Room 6 Harry Davidson for showing pride in and dedication towards his writing & **Isabella Bines** for striving for excellence in her biography writing.

Room 7 Dominic Taupea for being an outstanding student in SO many ways- being helpful, kind to others and for consistently demonstrating excellence in his work and attitude and **Frank McKay** for having a fantastic work ethic and completing some excellent pieces of work this week.

Room 8 Xavier Melliush-Reynolds for sharing your ideas and showing great collaboration skills and **Lexie Cameron** for demonstrating an excellent attitude towards all of your learning.

Room 9 Tupu Southon for the hard work he is showing in maths this term & **Poppy Carter** for always being happy to lend others a helping hand.

Room 11 Jax Munday for always working hard and trying your best in Maths.

Room 18 Arthur Becker for working so hard in writing - we can't wait to read more & **Arlo McKimmon** for working so hard on all of your learning - keep up the great effort.

Room 23 Sophie Gartshore for her fabulous attitude towards her learning both at school and in isolation & **Benson Coady** for being trustworthy and respectful.

WELL DONE, KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!



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Donation reminders - end of tax year

With the tax year fast approaching any donations paid now can be claimed quickly..

A big advantage for families (and for your school!).

Paying through Kindo can also bring in extra revenue for school through our partners TaxGift & Supergenerous. Families can gift their tax rebate to your school, so a \$100 donation paid today can be worth an \$140 over the next few years. ALSO they can choose to do this for 4 years unclaimed receipts. Families register as they pay a donation and we handle the rest.



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

Anton Iosefa

Natasha Iosefa

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.



Wave Warriors Holiday Surf Programme

The NZ Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the autumn holidays for 6-16yr olds at [Orewa Beach](#)

Fun, Safe, Active & Healthy

6-16yr olds | 5 & 4 Day Programme | \$195 per person

19 - 22 April | 25 - 29 April | AM or PM session times

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at [Orewa Beach](#)



Limited spaces | Please email to book

surf@nzsurfacademy.co.nz

www.nzsurfacademy.co.nz



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Face Painting For
Children's Parties**
Contact:
02109013696
Or Visit
Bellathefairy.co.nz



Hi, my name is Stella (17 years old) and I am looking for babysitting/nannyng work. I attend online school so my hours are super Flexi. I have a massive extended family and have heaps of babysitting experience. I get along great with kids and can help out with housework etc. If interested, flick me a text (021 257 1391).
Stella