

Ponsonby Primary School

Te Kura o te Rimu Tahi

Kia ora parents and whānau,

What an awesome start to the year! We have loved reconnecting with all our students this week. Our classes have been buzzing with activity as students work collaboratively to get to know each other and make new friends. Yesterday, we had a whole school scavenger hunt which was based around Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the children also worked with their buddy class to learn about our school whakataukī.

We have an exciting year ahead planned and we look forward to meeting all parents at "Meet The Parent Information Evenings. If things change due to the weather we will let you know. Parents, we do advise you to attend these sessions.

On Friday (17th of Feb) next week we will be hosting a Mihi Whakatau, welcoming ceremony to welcome any new students and whānau into our Ponsonby kura. We would like to formally invite any students and whānau who are new to our school to attend. If you would like to take part on the day please RSVP to khobday@ponsprim.school.nz no later than Tuesday the 14th of February. As we see this fits in nicely with our vision around belonging. Below are the times parent information sessions Week 3 and 4

Week 3

5.30pm - 6.15pm Monday 13th February: Kowhai Teachers presenting

5.30pm - 6.15pm Tuesday 14th February: Puriri Teachers presenting

Week 4

5:30 - 6:15pm Tuesday 21st of February : Kakariki Teachers presenting

On the topic of weather, with the weekend's impending weather, there will be a lot of preparation with regard to our own properties and personal safety to think about over the next few days. For now we have not received any information from the MOE but if things do change I will email you as soon as I get any information. Let's hope it is not as bad as anticipated.

Just a quick update regarding our Kakariki playground, due to the weather that we have been hit with to begin the year, we have had a few delays to the work being done. This is currently scheduled to be completed at the beginning of next week, but with the impending weather, completion may be delayed to the end of the week. Thank you to our parents and tamariki for their patience, we know our students can not wait to play on their new playground!

Ngā mihi
Sanjay Rama

Week 2 Term 1

UPCOMING EVENTS AND REMINDERS

TERM 1 FRIDGE REMINDERS

Please see the website homepage for the list of Term 1 reminders.

Please keep an eye on the school

MEDICATION

All medication for children should go to the school office and not be in children's school bags please

PARENT DETAILS

If you have recently changed your number, email or address **please notify the office.**

Ponsonby Primary Syndicates

Kakariki (Years 1 & 2)

Puriri (Years 3 & 4)

Kowhai (Years 5 & 6)

Ponsonby Primary School now has an instagram account, we would love you to follow along and see all the exciting things happening around the school.
@ponsonbyprimary



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Term 1 Fridge Reminders 2023

(this is also on the home page of the website to print)
Please keep an eye on the website for updates or changes to school events



Ponsonby Primary School

Steadfast and True - Te Kura O Te Rimu Tahī

Term 1, 2023

Book these dates in your calendar. Please check the school website for any changes or updates .

Week 1: 2nd February - 3rd February

2nd Feb - First day of term 1

Week 2: 6th February - 10th February

Week 3: 13th February - 17th February

13th Feb - Meet the teacher - Kowhai 5:30-6:30pm

14th Feb - Meet the teacher - Puriri 5:30-6:30pm

Week 4: 20th February - 24th February

20th Feb - PAT testing for all year 3-6 children in class today

21st Feb - Meet the teacher - Kakariki 5:30-6:30pm

21st Feb - Kōwhai at Pt Erin for Pool Day 9am - 2:30pm

23rd Feb - Board of Trustees Meeting 6:30pm

Week 5: 27th February - 3rd March

28th Feb - Parent meeting for netball - 8:15am

2nd Mar - PPSG Meeting 7pm TBC

Week 6: 6th March - 10th March

9th Mar - Year 5 & 6 - Inner City Kilikiti

9th Mar - Year 4,5 & 6 Netball trials at school 12:40pm

Week 7: 13th March - 17th March

14th Mar - Year 4 Swimming Sports at Pt Erin Pools

16th Mar - Year 6 Inspirational Evening - more details to follow

17th Mar - Years 1 -3 Junior Swimming Carnival at school

9am - 12pm

Week 8: 20th March - 24th March

22nd Mar - Year 5 & 6 Swimming Sports - Millennium Institute, North Shore approx 10am

22nd Mar - Induction meeting for new year 1 children starting in term 2 - 3:30-4:30pm

23rd Mar - Years 5 & 6 Inner City Softball

Week 9: 27th March - 31st March

28th Mar Three Way Learning Conversations

29th Mar Three Way Learning Conversations

Week 10: 3rd April - 6th April

4th April - Year 6 puberty education evening for parents 6-7pm

5th April - Year 6 student puberty education

6th April - Board Of Trustees meeting 6:30pm

7th April - Good Friday Public Holiday

Term 1 School Holidays

Monday 10th April - Sunday 23rd April

Term 2 begins - Monday 24th April

2023 Term Dates

Term 1: 2nd February - 6th April

Term 2: 24th April - 30th June

Term 3: 17th July - 22nd September

Term 4: 9th October - 15th December

Teacher Only Days

Friday 27th January

Friday 2nd June


Tuesday 24th October

Term 1 Key Dates

Goal Setting Day: 1st February

First day of Term: 2nd February

School Holidays: 10th April - 23rd April



PONSONBY PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPEECH & DRAMA LESSONS

WHO?
Open to all Ponsonby Primary School students.

WHEN?
Lessons are held during school hours 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.

For more information
www.headheldhigh.co.nz • kateimlach@headheldhigh.co.nz • Kate 027 682 0300

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 intro 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

At Ponsonby School of Dance, we have been teaching dance in the area for over 20 years.

Classes are for dancers aged 3 years to 18 years.

We teach Royal Academy of Dance Ballet, Jazz, Contemporary, Hip Hop, Musical Theatre and Acrobatics. We have recreational dancers and also dancers that are wanting to make a career out of dance. Everyone is welcome!

Our aim is to teach children the joy of dance in a fun and friendly environment, whilst developing strong technical skills and abilities.

We have four gorgeous new studios custom built only last year at 5 Lincoln St Ponsonby and we have a wonderful team of dedicated and qualified teachers.

Contact tracey@ponsonbyschoolofdance.co.nz for more information.

Or check out our website <https://www.ponsonbyschoolofdance.co.nz/>