

Ponsonby Primary School

Te Kura o te Rimu Tahī

Kia ora parents and whanau,

What a week we have had! This week has been all about essential services. Essential services play a vital role in our communities by providing important services that are necessary for the well-being and safety of individuals. It is not everyday you get the Eagle Eye helicopter land on your field, or have the Patrol dog team come in and talk to the children. These are memories the children are going to cherish for the rest of their lives. A big thank you to Mr Naera and John Maea-Brown who is a constable in the Police and a parent at our school for organizing such an amazing experience for our students. Mr Naera may try to use the Helicopter to fly into his new school (that would be some kind of entrance).

Our Friday Fundraisers have been such a success, we have raised over Four thousand dollars and our target is around Eight thousand, all this money raised is going towards our maker space room. A big thank you to our Yr 6 leadership teams and Miss Johnston for organizing. A maker space room is a designated area within a school or community where people can gather to create, invent, and explore using various tools, materials, and technologies. Maker spaces are designed to foster creativity, hands-on learning, problem-solving, and collaboration.

This year, we as a school Celebrating 150 years at Ponsonby Primary is a significant milestone in the school's history. It's a time to reflect on the rich heritage and achievements of the school community. This will take place next term and it will be a week long celebration, we will be sending more information out closer to the time.

With the school celebrating 150 years, shifting from the old to the present will be the theme. Through this, we are going through the process of developing a new school logo. This is going to be an exciting and creative process with the final product representing our values, identity, and spirit of the school. The Pegasus logo has been part of the school for longer than many can remember, and while this will still be present throughout our school, the new Logo will represent our local area and a truer reflection of Ponsonby and Aotearoa NZ. We will be unveiling our new logo during the 150 year celebration.

I wanted to take this moment to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Mrs Marron who is pregnant! Amy has told the staff this week. This is such an exciting time, Amy will go on maternity leave in week 4 of Term 4.

Please keep in mind that there may be a teacher strike for all primary schools next Wednesday the 31st of May, this may mean that school will not be open for instruction due to the majority of our teachers being apart of the union. This has not been confirmed yet and we should get confirmation by this Sunday.

Week 6 Term 2 Reminders

YEAR 4-6 CROSS COUNTRY

Monday 29th
May,

Grey Lynn Park
(Weather
Permitting)

POSSIBLE TEACHER STRIKE DAY

Wednesday 31st
May TBC

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Friday 2nd June

NEXT ASSEMBLY

Friday 16th June
Room 6 & 19

BOOK WEEK Week 8

12th-16th June

And Finally, we kindly request your support in making a donation to our school. Every contribution, no matter the size, makes a difference and directly benefits our students' education. Your generosity will help us continue to provide a nurturing and enriching learning environment for all. You can pay donations through Kindo here is the link to Kindo <https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?session=false&shop=Ponsonby%20Primary%20School>

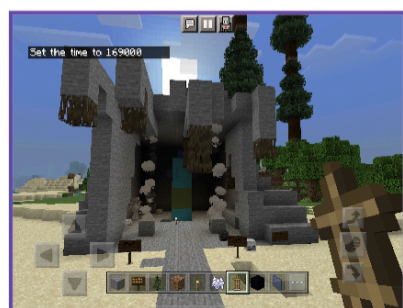
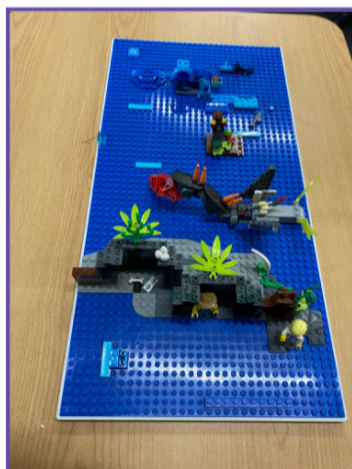
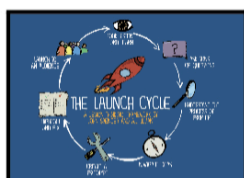
I hope you have a fantastic weekend, filled with joy, relaxation, and enjoyable activities.

Ngā mihi
Sanjay Rama

Room 23

This term in year 6 we have been reading the novel To Trap a Taniwha written by local ex-teacher Jane Cooper.

We have been using our inquiry/design thinking model called The Launch Cycle to design, engineer, create and innovate a taniwha lair, home of the taniwha named Kaiwhare. Students got to choose whether to use Lego, Minecraft Education or our in class makerspace to construct their builds. Below are some of their amazing creations.



Today the Kakariki children made a fairy garden, everyone had a lot of fun and it was so lovely to see the children enjoying the garden during lunch time.

Ms Harford & the Kakariki teachers would love to beautify the Kakariki playground.

We will be adding fairy gardens, new benches, murals, planter boxes and plants

Ms Harford would love some planter bench seats for the fairy garden area if anyone in our school community could possible help make them, (See pic)

We would also be so appreciative if we could have any of the items below donated -

Donations of -

Planter boxes

Plants-Succulents/Plants (suitable for winter planting)

Fairy garden accessories - coloured stones, figurines, little toadstools etc

This would be fantastic and we would be forever grateful

Many thanks,
Ms Harford

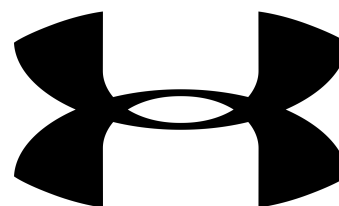


"Kakariki children were very lucky to have Sam Paulin (Esme Rm 20's Dad) come in to teach them basketball skills on Wednesday this week. Sam has years of experience teaching basketball in countries such as Australia, America and Malaysia. The children and teachers loved the skills sessions. Thank you so much Sam!"



Thank you to the following businesses that have donated to our upcoming fundraiser so far. If you would like to donate, please get in touch fnaera@ponsprim.school.nz We appreciate your support

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