

Ponsonby Primary School

Te Kura o te Rimu Tahī

Kia Ora Whānau,

A warm welcome back to Linnea Maycock, who has started the new Year 0 class in Room 11. Linnea has just completed her studies to become a qualified teacher, and we are excited to have her back.

Congratulations to our two E-Pro8 teams that represented our school at the Inner-City Primary School Champs held at Remuera Intermediate. Both teams performed exceptionally well, showcasing their planning and building skills in a series of fun and challenging tasks. A huge well done to:

Charlotte (Rm 9)

Parker (Rm 9)

Anna B (Rm 9)

Esme (Rm 5)

Jade (Rm 8)

Logan (Rm 5)

Alexa (Rm 5)

Sienna (Rm 6)

You all represented our school with pride and excellence—well done!

You may have seen in the media this past week the announcement of centrally funded student workbooks, teacher guides, and textbooks. We have only a couple of weeks to place our orders, but these resources are being made available before we see the outcome of the Maths Curriculum consultation. While these texts are intended to support the successful programmes we already have in place, we will wait to review the updated Curriculum before deciding on their use. Following feedback, the Minister has clarified that schools may choose to use these resources, rather than being required to. As always, we will make decisions in the best interests of our learners.

Next week, our Year 5 students will be hosting their highly anticipated Carnival Day! The children have worked hard to come up with some fantastic stores and creative initiatives to help raise money for their EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) program. From games and treats to handmade crafts, there will be plenty of fun and exciting activities for all our students to enjoy.

Congratulations to all of our students who have taken part in the Wonder-thon testing today. It is now time to begin collecting your sponsorship money. Remember Mrs Jurisich will be giving out exciting spot prizes each day from Wednesday next week. Everyone who has taken part in the Wonder-thon will have a chance to win some awesome prizes.

Just a reminder: School will be closed to students on Monday, 28th of October (Labour Day), and Tuesday, 29th of October (Teacher Only Day). As per the teacher's collective contract, teachers receive days for managing administration workload and professional development. This is our last Teacher Only day of the year and a great addition to the long weekend!

Have a fantastic long weekend!

Ngā mihi,
Sanjay

TERM 4 DATES

14 Oct - 18 Dec

REMINDERS FOR TERM 4

- **Wide brimmed hats are compulsory in term 4**
- **LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
Monday the 28th October
- **TEACHER ONLY DAY**
Tuesday the 29th October
- **INNER CITY BASKETBALL**
Thursday the 31st October
(year 5 & 6 children)
- **Year 3-6 ATHLETICS DAY**
Wednesday the 6th of Nov
9am-3pm
- **COLOUR RUN**
Saturday the 23rd November
11:30am-3pm

Room of The week Room 17



Be ready to be spooked!
Room 17's created some very
horrrifying haunted house lego
during the Lego Masters STEAM
Challenge last week.

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Room of The week

Room 17



Our lovely STEAM week stars.
Our beautiful Willow turned 7 this week.
Room 17 built a beautiful art gallery for the
futuristic city last week.



Visit our website at www.ponsprim.school.nz



Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers,

We will be hosting an exciting Wonder-thon fundraiser. Last year's general knowledge Know-a-thon was such a success that we are bringing this fundraiser back with a twist. This year we are asking our students to share and submit any wonders about the world that they have. We are giving them two weeks to submit their wonders either by recording them onto one of the paper slips provided and placing them into the Wonder-thon boxes found outside the school office or alternatively by scanning the QR code below to submit their wonders. These wonders that the students submit will form the questions in the Wonder-thon this year.

On Monday the 23rd of September (the last week of Term 3) we will be sending home a Wonder-thon pack with your child/children. Inside the pack will be a sponsorship form and information about the fundraiser.

The children will have 1 month to research and learn the answers to their assigned questions. The goal for each student is to get as many people to sponsor them as possible. The sponsor will need to decide how much money they will sponsor for each correct answer. Each year group has a set of questions to answer. Please see below the total amount of questions for each year level to research and learn:

Year 1 and 2 children have **20 questions** to research and learn. Year 3 and 4 children have **40 questions** to research and learn. Year 5 and 6 children have **60 questions** to research and learn.

Money should not be collected until after the big 'test' which will take place on Friday the 25th of October, week 2, Term 4 (some classes may sit this earlier during this week depending on class timetables). After the test students will contact their sponsors to collect the money.

Sponsorship money can be paid to the school in one of 3 different ways:

- Deposited into the school **ASB bank account: 12-3019-0472255-00**, please enter your **child's name, room number** and the **key word WT** (short for Wonder-thon) in the reference section for this payment.
- Paying with **eftpos** at the school office or bringing in **cash** directly to the school office and placing it in the Wonder-thon box inside the zip lock bag provided.
- You can also make a combination of online/eftpos and cash payments.
- Please note that payments via Kindo will not be available for this fundraiser.

Students will need to return their sponsorship form inside their zip lock bag (which will be recycled for future events) in order to be entered into the draw to win some of the amazing prizes. The final date to hand in Wonder-thon sponsorship forms and pay sponsorship money is Friday the 22nd of November (Week 6, term 4).

If you have any questions about this fundraiser please feel free to email mjurisich@ponsprim.school.nz

Many thanks for your involvement and support!

Sanjay, Morgan & Arran



On **Saturday the 23rd of November** (saver date Sunday the 24th of November) we will be running a Colour Run Carnival fundraiser **at our school from 11:30 - 3:00 pm**. This event will replace our Guy Fawkes fundraiser this year due to the work being completed at Pt Erin Park.

Entry into the carnival is **FREE**, however if you would like to take part in the Colour Run there is a registration fee. Please see details below:

Registration Fees into the Colour Run

Adults \$50 each

Child \$30 each

Included in the above prices is a PPS Colour Run T-shirt and entry into all 3 of our exciting raffles, which will be drawn on the day.

Important Information

In order to make sure that our Colour Run t-shirts arrive on time, **registrations into the Colour Run are now open!** You will have up until Friday the 18th of October to register and pay for registration entry into the Colour Run. Upon paying for your registration you will be asked for your t-shirt size.

You can pay for your Colour Run registration now, via Kindo or at our school office.

Please note that the T-shirts for the PPS Colour Run will arrive before the event and we will let you know as soon as they arrive.

Raffle Information

For those who are not participating in the Colour Run but will be attending the event or cannot make the event, we will be selling tickets for 3 different raffles available from next week onwards at the school office. There is a kids, adults and family raffle. **A ticket for each raffle is \$10 each.** Alternatively if you wish to purchase additional raffle tickets (even if you already have your name entered into the 3 raffles from participating in the Colour Run) you will be able to do so before and during the event. We will be sending out more information regarding what is included in each raffle later this week.

Thank you for your support!



SOUND BATH

SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2-3 PM
PONSONBY PRIMARY WELLNESS ROOM



Come and bathe in the beautiful healing frequencies of sound. Luna & the Aura Club's reiki infused sound bath offers the ultimate relaxation. Sound healing is used to strengthen immunity, reduce stress, anxiety & physical pain, restore emotional balance, improve sleep & enhance creativity. Using an array of magical instruments including crystal singing bowls, gong, guitar, shamanic drums & chimes all tuned to the healing frequencies of the universe.



\$35 PER PERSON

Included in our offering is a 1 hour sound bath followed by a delicious and hydrating herbal tea. No experience is required. Ages 15 years +

TO SECURE YOUR PLACE EMAIL

lunaandtheauraclub@gmail.com



Te Reo 2024

Term 3 Week 2 **People in our kura**



ākonga - (ā ko nga) - student
tamariki - (ta ma ri ki) - children
kaiako - (kai a ko) - teacher
tumuaki - (tu mu a ki) - principal
kaitiaki - (kai ti a ki) - caretaker



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Entry into this event is free, however if you would like to take part in the Colour Run there is a registration fee. Registrations can still be purchased via Kindo or at our school office. (Please note that any registrations purchased from now up until the event will not include a Colour Run t-shirt).

THIS EVENT IS STRICTLY ALCOHOL FREE & IS A CASH ONLY EVENT. There will be 2 eftpos machines at the event where you can get cash out, however we strongly recommend bringing cash for all of the stalls.

How can you help? Before the event

Classroom Stalls - Sign Up

This event is one of our biggest school fundraisers for the year. Every year, each classroom is allocated a stall to run on the evening. Over the next couple of days you will receive an email/Whatsapp message from your child's classroom parent liaison inviting you to sign up through a roster system. There will be a selection of 1 hour shifts available to opt into. If you are able to give up an hour of your time on the day to help at your classroom stall it would be much appreciated.

Jolly Jars

A child favourite! For those new to our school this year, your child will be given an eco-friendly (recycled plastic) jar to bring home. Alternatively you can use your own jar from home. The aim is to decorate the jar and fill it with treats. We call this a "Jolly Jar" Your child then brings their Jolly Jar back into school and hands it over to their classroom teacher. These Jolly Jars are a little treat that a child can purchase with their own pocket money at the event. The best judged Jolly Jar from each syndicate will be recognised at school. A great project to complete over the long weekend coming up.

Jolly Jar Specifications

Students can decorate inside and/or outside the jar. Make it eye-catching! However, the rule again this year is that the decorated jar is not to be any larger than approx. 20cm tall or 15cm wide/deep (any jars larger than this will not be judged.) The best jolly jar from each syndicate wins a pizza lunch for the creator & 3 friends!

All Jolly Jars need to be returned to your child's classroom teacher by Monday 18th November to be in to win!

Here are some example Jolly Jar ideas below



Here are some Jolly Jar ideas:

Candy/lollies, marbles, water balloons, hair clips/hair ties, lego, crayons/pencils, collectable cards, kids craft bits & bobs, matchbox cards, card games

Sweets & Treats for the Colour Run Carnival



The sweets and treats stand is very popular with kids and adults alike and we'd love your help in providing some delicious products to sell. We have cake boxes and cellophane bags available to collect in your child's classroom and/or the school office.

We are so appreciative of any and all donated sweet delicacies but from previous years experience the following are top sellers...

- Items that are easy to pick up and eat - brownies, cupcakes, individually portioned slices or the ever popular cookies!
- Bags of fudge or caramels (we have supplied some cellophane bags that will be in classrooms or the office for this purpose).
- Toffee apples. These are incredibly popular and always sell out within the first hour.
- Items suitable for adults that are easily handled - mini cheesecakes, slices, cupcakes etc.
- All those yummy things that kids and adults with a sweet tooth can't resist.
- Bought items are of course acceptable!

We are also after any cake stands or displays that we could use for the night. If you have anything suitable please send them along with your baking (named clearly so we can return them to you).

Please deliver your baking in a supplied cake box/cellophane bag or a container that is not precious, to the school office on the morning of Friday (22nd Nov) or alternately you can bring goodies directly to the Sweets & Treats Stall before 10:00 am on the day of the event.

Children's Market Stall

Do you have any **GOOD QUALITY, NEAR NEW** children's clothes, toys, games, dress-ups, etc that are no longer needed? If so we would love them for our Children's Market Stall. The children and parents really love this stall and are always on the lookout for a bargain. Please drop these items to the school office from today onwards.

Before & After the event

Any help with setting up and packing down on the day of the event is always really appreciated. Please contact Morgan Jurisich, mjurisich@ponsprim.school.nz if you can help in any way.

Colour Run Important Information

To ensure everyone has a fun and safe Colour Run experience, we will be staggering the start times for all participants based on year groups. Siblings and family members are of course welcome to run together! Please see the schedule below.

Colour Run - Running Schedule

Year 6: 1:00 pm - 1:10 pm

Year 5: 1:10 pm - 1:20 pm

Year 4: 1:20 pm - 1:30 pm

Year 3: 1:30 pm - 1:40 pm

Year 2: 1:40 pm - 1:50 pm

Year 0/1: 1:50 pm - 2:00 pm

What should we bring for the run?

Firstly, if you bought your tickets in time don't forget to wear your official Ponsonby Primary Colour Run Carnival T-Shirt! The shirts will be brought home by your child/children when they arrive from our supplier in the days leading up to the event.

If you make the most of your colour run experience then it should be pretty messy business, so we would also recommend bringing along a change of clothes for once you've finished your run.

Shoes are optional but also recommended as part of the colour run course will take you off school grounds.

Finally, we are going to be giving out prizes for the **best dressed**:

- Child
- Adult
- Family

So make sure you come dressed in your wackiest, wildest, most colourful gear (in addition to your official Ponsonby Primary Colour Run Carnival T-Shirt, of course!)



Stalls at the Colour Run Carnival

There will be many fantastic stalls on offer at the Colour Run Carnival. Please see below the list of stalls that will be at the event.

- Mr Rama's Chops
- American Hot Dogs
- PPS Dairy: Popcorn, ice creams, lolly bags & Vibe drinks
- Catroux Salads
- Sweets & Treats
- Chocolate Wheel
- Crystal stall
- Raffle stall
- Christmas Decorations
- Kids Market Stall
- Face Painting
- PPS Merch Stall collab with Sonnie
- Lorna Jane - womens activewear
- Year 5 Carnival stalls

Thank you so much for all of your support! We look forward to seeing you there!
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KIDS RAFFLE

- Lego Voucher \$500
- 2 x Micro Sprite Scooters
- Element Star Wars Skateboard
- Tech Deck
- Young Guns Skate School Voucher \$30
- Metallic Stunt Destroyer - remote control car
- Ponsonby Rugby Club 2025 membership fees for 1 player and a boots bag, rugby ball, rugby players shirt, polo and shorts
- Sonnies' voucher
- Vans voucher
- Lavie Tennis Academy 2 day pass



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ADULT RAFFLE

Andiamo Voucher - \$500
 Samsung Phone
 1 night stay for 2 at Movenpick Hotel
 Auckland, including breakfast
 Harris Tapper Voucher - \$300
 3 x 2 Litre Boxes of Muse Wine Co
 The Skinbar Voucher - \$500
 2 x Servilles cut and colour \$300 value each
 Davines hair pack \$600 value

HARRIS TAPPER



SERVILLES

FAMILY RAFFLE

- 2 night stay on Great Barrier Island - Medlands
- Beachfront family bach - sleeps 5
- Inflatable SUP paddle board
- 1 years supply of Ecoroll toilet paper for 1 family, valued at \$600
- Bunnings gardening pack
- Waitomo Top Cave family experience - 2 adults & 3 children
- 4 tickets to Tim Bray's The Santa Claus
- 4 tickets to Auckland FC Opening Game
- 4 Premier Courtside tickets to any NZ Breakers regular session home game 2025



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