



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

We welcome you to be a part of our community,
where every child's potential is celebrated and encouraged to grow!

QUICK REMINDERS

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Friday 28 March
Whole School
Assembly

Hosted by Room's 17 & 4

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Mon 31 March
Hui/Fono

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Thur 03 April
Inner City Softball

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Friday 04 April
Visual Pepeha
Showcase

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01 & 02 April
Maritime Museum
Kākāriki Trip

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SCHOOL HATS

Its compulsory to have a
brimmed hat for Term 1.

FOOD SAFETY

We have children with
serious nut allergies in
our school. **PLEASE**
NO NUTS

TERM 1, WEEK 8 • 2025

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora Whānau,

I can't believe we're already in Week 8 and nearing the end of the term!

Last Friday, we held our annual **Junior Swimming Carnival**, and what an event it was! The sun was shining, and the children had an absolute blast. I'm truly going to miss seeing our little ones dancing to the famous *Coconut Song*! Events like these don't happen without great organisation, so a huge thank you to Miriam Harford and the Kākāriki team for putting together such a fantastic day. It was also wonderful to see so many parents attending—we are so lucky to have such an incredible community that supports us in so many ways.

THREE-WAY LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

It was also a big week for our teachers with the Three-Way Learning Conversations. Our teachers put in a tremendous amount of work to prepare, and we truly appreciate all the parents who took the time to meet with their child's teacher.

VISUAL PEPEHA SHOWCASE

Next Friday, we have our Visual Pepeha Showcase, an opportunity for you to come and see the amazing work your children have been doing this term. This learning is integrated across the curriculum, including reading, writing, and visual arts. More information about this will be shared next week.

TASTE OF PONSONBY

A big thank you to all the parents who have donated items for our Taste of Ponsonby Fundraiser—we are still looking for more auction items! The event will take place next term on Friday, 13th June, with all funds raised going towards the new Pūriri Playground.

I also want to acknowledge the Wellbeing Leaders for their amazing efforts in raising money for a new defibrillator by selling ice blocks every Friday. Keep up the great work team!

Just a quick reminder, if you haven't paid your school donation yet, we encourage you to do so. These contributions are essential for funding additional resources such as Teacher Aides and maintaining smaller class sizes, which directly benefit our students.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Ngā mihi nui

Sanjay Rama - Principal

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A TASTE OF PONSONBY AUCTION ITEMS

We are on the lookout for live & silent auctions

- Big ticket items for our live auction, such as: an overseas or local getaway, fishing charters, private chef experience at home or at a restaurant, golf experiences etc...
- Vouchers of any kind
- A family bach experience
- Restaurant dinner packages
- Beauty or wellbeing products or vouchers
- Jewellery items
- Sport and family experiences

Email: mjurisich@ponsprim.school.nz
or pop into the school office to see Morgan





SUPERETTE



SIMON JAMES

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A TASTE OF PONSONBY AUCTION ITEMS

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Classroom of the week

Room 8 - Mr Keshaw

Room 8 has had an exciting and busy start to the year! We've been focusing on team building, and working together in fun challenges to build friendships and cooperation. A highlight has been getting to know our younger buddies, helping them settle in and forming strong connections.

During art with Mrs Marron, we created amazing self-portraits that will be part of our Visual Pepeha. These artworks reflect who we are and where we come from, making them a special addition to our classroom.



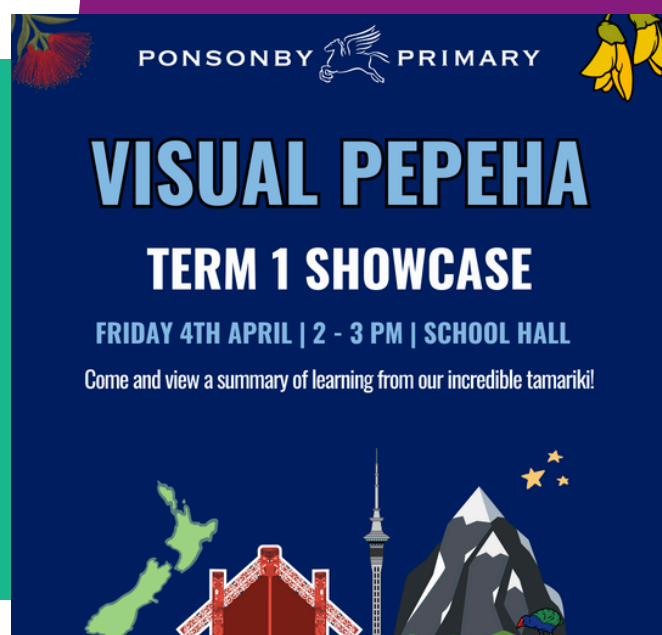
It's been a fantastic start, and we're looking forward to all the learning and adventures ahead in Room 8!



Upcoming Events & Notices

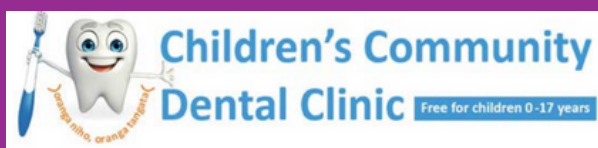
VISUAL PEPEHA SHOWCASE

On Friday 4th April from 2-3 pm our students will be hosting their Visual Pepeha Showcase. This is an accumulation of their terms inquiry work. Throughout this inquiry students have explored their cultural heritage and the things that make them special. This showcase is to celebrate the students wonderful work with their families. We will be meeting in the school hall at 2:00 pm for a quick introduction to the showcase, followed by moving around the different classrooms to view the amazing work on display. We look forward to seeing you there!



AUCKLAND REGIONAL DENTAL SERVICE (ARDS)

Dear parents and caregivers,
The Auckland Regional Dental Service (ARDS) is a Te Whatu Ora-operated service, which provides FREE dental care to children across greater Auckland. In order to prevent any eligible children missing out on receiving free dental care, ARDS is cross-checking their own records with school rolls. For our children's better oral health and wellbeing, our school roll will be shared with the service as required.



To find out more information about ARDS, please visit ards.co.nz or call 0800 TALK TEETH (0800 825 583).

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LIMITED EDITION

PPS MERCH
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Ponsonby Primary School has teamed up with Sonnie who have created this amazing range of PPS t-shirts. Both styles come in a range of size options and are \$45 each. Follow the link below to purchase a t-shirt.

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The Jared Box Project

40 Jared Boxes



The Jared Box Project, bringing smiles to young patients at Starship Children's Hospital in Auckland. Help us fill shoebox-sized containers with small but meaningful gifts!



Click here for the Volunteer sign-up sheet to help pack the boxes: [Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet](#)

Donations Needed by Friday, 4 April:

New crayons, colored pencils, coloring books, and fidget toys.

Ponsonby Primary,
Can we fill 40 boxes for kids in Auckland's Starship Hospital?

Important Guidelines:
No food, tiny items (choking hazard), glass, snow globes, bubbles, holiday items, or pencil sharpeners.



Donation Box located in the school office.



Contact: Sarah Beckman
0290 2317277
sarahebeckman@gmail.com
The Beckman Family



Thank you for making a difference!
www.thejaredbox.com





CLOTHING DRIVE

Westmere School will be hosting a second hand clothing market & we'd love your support.

We're looking for donations of pre-loved clothing in all sizes (including kids & babies) as well as accessories. All donations to be in good condition (no stains, tears, broken zips etc).

**DONATIONS TO BE DROPPED OFF AT
WESTMERE SCHOOL OFFICE ON FRIDAYS
(TOP OF LARCHWOOD AVE ENTRANCE)**

**2ND HAND CLOTHING MARKET
WESTMERE SCHOOL • 27 JULY • 11AM-2PM**

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5 - 26 APRIL 2025

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INTERACTIVE HEALING ENVIRONMENTS: "SYMBIOSIS" EXHIBITION

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HILLSBOROUGH

14/04 - EASTER SCIENCE,
SOUND & OUR 5 SENSES
15/04 - VOLCANOES, COLOUR
& LIGHT
16/04 - DRY ICE, PNEUMATICS,
BINARY & CODING
17/04 - FIRE, GOO & BUBBLES
22/04 - SPACE, DINOS,
FOSSILS & LIGHT
23/04 - EXPLOSIONS,
ELECTRICITY & PIZZA MAKING
24/04 - CHEMISTRY,
BALLOONS & MAGNETS

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