

Pigeon Mountain School News

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Kia Ora Whanau!

We hope everyone enjoyed a relaxing break from school over the last few weeks. We have been busy having the buildings washed down and painting touched up, as well as upgrading our entire school ICT system. There has been lots going on behind the scenes!

We would like to thank all our parents and community for attending our student-led conferences at the end of Term 1. We have worked hard to make connections with EVERY parent- our goal was to have 100% response to the conference invitation letter. Whilst we fell a little short of this goal, 90% of parents did respond, which was a significant increase on the 2017 figure. Even if you feel your child is doing well at school, remember that conferences are a special occasion for our students, when they get to share their learning to an audience of the 2 key people in their lives-parent and teacher. Please give your child the opportunity to celebrate their learning with you in this forum. If you have not yet made an appointment, please contact your classroom teacher who will be happy to organise some time for you. Ian Dickinson, Principal



From the Principal's Desk For latest information and school news; www.pigeon-mountain.school.nz Pigeon-Mountain-Primary-School Skoolbag

Today our roll is 549. New students - We wish you much success with your learning at Pigeon Mountain School. *Welcome to Emma Song and Camille McCully.*

0.T. NEWS:

The next BOT Meeting will be on the 24th May 2018 at 7pm. Parents are welcome to attend all board meetings.

D.T.A. NEWS:

The next PTA Meeting is on the 9th May at 7.30pm

MUFTI DAY - Friday 18th May. Bring a gold coin if you choose to wear mufti. BATTERY FUNDRAISER: Raised \$9000.00 Thank you to everyone who took part in this successful fundraiser.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS: These are available from the office at a cost of \$70.



please email *ginam@pmps.school.nz* Police vetting is required at the school's expense.

OTHERS' DAY:

To celebrate the special ladies in our lives, we are hosting a 'Thank You' Breakfast on Friday 11th May. We invite all the amazing mums, aunties, grandmas, big sisters and other wonderful women who make a difference for our children to come join us from 8.15am for some breakfast and conversation,



followed by a visit to classrooms from 8.50am until 9.10am. Please put this event in your calendar and we hope you get the chance to join us!

CHOOL HOURS:

Please remember the school day commences at 8.50am, until 3pm. Students should be at school no later than 8.30am to get ready for their learning. However, some students are being dropped off very early at 7.30am. Please be aware, Bizzy Bodz offers a before school care service from 7am until 8.30am.

We have also noticed children not being picked up promptly at 3pm but waiting at the Wells Road gate or Loloma Drive entrance for pickup.

This is a matter of safety for your child and an after school care service is available if you are unable to pick up on time at 3pm. Contact Bizzy Bodz on 530 9020.

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B4L:

PB4L is Positive Behaviour for Learning. This year PMPS is fortunate to take on board the PB4L initiative. This will help continue to build upon the PMPS culture through modelling, teaching and rewarding positive behaviours; where we provide a quality environment where the school community is focused on developing Education with a Heart. The team is working hard to reinforce our school values, and we take great delight in seeing our students living these values in day-to-day situations. A number of children in Team Manuka shared how they feel about the values, and how they put them into action.

"Keli- Resilience is easy to understand. I <u>never</u> give up- I keep trying, no matter what.

Gazi- I have to keep trying new things- even if I don't really want to do it. That's Resilience. Even outside of school too. **Keli-** Responsibility is when we take care of others- without

anyone else seeing it, or telling us to.

Sophia- If people are hurt, we Respect them by helping them.

Crystal- Excellence isn't just about <u>being</u> the best- it's about <u>trying</u> your best.

Carol- When we're Responsible, we Respect people- this means we're kind to them.

Amanda- I'm being Responsible when I'm helpful if someone needs something- I just do it by myself, and my teacher doesn't have to tell me."

ARENTING TOOL BOX:

A reminder about the positive parenting course

starting on the **8th May** until the 12th June in the Pigeon Mountain staffroom. There are 6 sessions in the course run by a trained facilitator. Topics include the importance of love and connection, different parenting styles, understanding your child and their big feelings , discipline and boundaries, play and lots more! Cost is \$75.00 per single or

\$110.00 per couple. For further information contact Ming Ming on 022 040 7177 or to register at *www.theparentingplace.com*

SOUTHERN STARS CHARITABLE TRUST presents CINDERELLA

We have free tickets for 1 adult & 2 children to see this Pantomime on **Saturday**, **5th May** at the Logan Campbell Centre, Greenlane. If you would like to go into the draw for a free ticket, please fill out this coupon and send it back to school by 9am on Friday 4th May.

Student's Name......RmRm

Parent's Name:

COMMUNITY NEWS: SPANISH LESSONS FOR CHILDREN

AND TEENAGERS by Latin American teacher with over 25 years of experience. Small groups or one to one sessions. Lessons for **adults** also available. For further info contact 5760371 Alternatively you can email me to <u>cargusgp@hotmail.com</u>

GUITAR LESSONS — with Ben Lee.

Phone 021 529 531 Lessons are held at Pigeon Mountain School.

PIANO/KEYBOARD—Theory Lesson - Private Lessons at Pigeon Mountain School.

1 lesson per week during school hours. Phone 0800 696 874.

RECYCLE OLD OR DAMAGED CAR SEATS:

You can now recycle your expired or damaged child car seat. Around 90% of the materials are recyclable. SeatSmart accepts any brand of capsule, booster or reversible car seat (no polystyrene boosters) for a small fee of \$10 (RRP). For collection site details visit <u>www.seatsmart.co.nz</u>. You can also like us on Facebook (SeatSmartNZ).

DATES TO NOTE:

Thurs 24th May	Pohutukawa trip to MOTAT
Fri 18th May Thurs 24th May	Puriri Team Assembly Pohutukawa trip to MOTAT
Thurs 17th May Fri 18th May	Soccer Field Day PTA Mufti Day—Pyjamas
Fri 11th May	Kauri Mothers' Day Event
Thurs 10th May	Science Roadshow Tikoki &
Tue 8th May Wed 9th May	First Parenting Tool Box session PTA Meeting 7.30pm
Tues 8th May	ICAS Digital Technologies

TERM DATES:

Term 2 - 30th April - 6th July

- Term 3 23rd July 29th September
- Term 4 15th October 19th December

By returning this portion of the newsletter, your child is in the draw for the ice-cream and each slip earns house points. Please write name & room number.

	Room
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HOUSE POINTS:	(Please circle house)
TUI (Red)	KIWI (Yellow)
PUKEKO (Blue)	KERERU (Green)
	Parent