

## Ka maumahara tonu tātou kia rātou

We will remember them

We welcomed Term 2 with a service to remember the brave soldiers who have fallen in the war. Our student leaders and Whaea Darnielle read 'The Ode' in both Te Reo and English. Te Kura o Wairau stood in silence for a minute to pay respect and tribute to ANZAC.











This term we will be learning all about Matariki and what they represent. On Monday Kahikatea had a fun introduction to Matariki, by making 'matariki' biscuits.

Te Kura o Wairau

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Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Bula Vinaka, Kia ora Whanau & Friends of Te Kura o Wairau

## Welcome Back & Nga Mihi (Thank you)

What a beautiful start to our term. Our students enjoyed seeing each other this week. It was great to see them playing in our gorgeous school in the lovely weather, especially on Monday and Tuesday. We are so proud of our kura, and our people in our kura and in our community. Thank you for looking after our kura during the holiday break. It was so nice to see whanau and friends playing and hanging out in our school grounds, laughing, happy, and adding value to the wairua of our kura.



#### Powhiri

On Monday 13th May we will be having a powhiri at 9am for our new students and whanau members who have joined our kura, and for Tumuaki & Kaiako who are visiting us on this day to take part in professional development about Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

#### Team Newsletters

The Kowhai, Rata and Kahikatea Team newsletters will be coming home next week on Friday. In these you will find information about what the teams are focusing on this term, and any news to awhi you during the next 9 weeks ahead.

#### Whole School Assemblies

Our 'Whole School Assemblies' in Term 1 will be taking place on these Fridays at 10am...

Week 3 - Friday 17th May,

Week 6 - Friday 7th June &

Week 10 - Friday 5th July

Please come along to these if you are able to as we celebrate success and share good news about our tamariki and their achievements at our kura.

## Just Brass

Our Just Brass students started their tuition this week. We are so very fortunate to have the Just Brass team with us. They provide so much more than just knowledge of how to play a brass instrument. They bring kindness, care, guidance and support to our students through the love of music. I am very, very proud of this team and those students who are part of it.

## Sign Language Week

Next week is 'Sign Language Week'. During the week students will be learning different 'signs' and will add to their growing knowledge of this language.

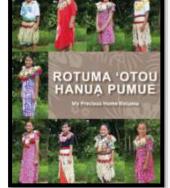
## Rotuman Language Week -

On Monday 13th May we will celebrate Rotuman Language Week with a Flag Raising Ceremony. This will occur at 12:30 on Monday. During the week ākonga will learn about Rotuma. Please know you are very welcome to join this Flag Raising Ceremony and all our other Language Week Flag Raising and Flag Closing Ceremonies.

The theme of this years language week is 'Vetakia 'os fäega ma ag fak hanua' - 'Sustaining Our Language and

Culture'.





Please know that we can dress in attire that supports this language week.

Our Flag Lowering Ceremony for the Rotuman Language Week will occur on Friday 17th May during our Whole School Assembly that starts at 10am.

## Samoan Language Week

On Monday 27th May we will have our Samoan Language Week Flag Raising Ceremony at 9am. During the week our students will add knowledge to their kete about the Samoan culture.

We will have our Flag Lowering Ceremony at 2pm on this day. Please know you are welcome to join us at these ceremonies and that your children can come to school on these days/during the week in Samoan/Pasifika



attire.



#### Wairautanga Celebration

Our next goal is to get to 5000 Uara points. Based on the number of Uara vouchers I gave out on duty on Monday this goal should be achieved pretty quickly. Keep be Wairautanga everyone. It brings the most beautiful feeling to all our kura.

#### Pink Shirt Day

On Friday 17th May we will celebrate and acknowledge 'Pink Shirt Day'. This is a day where we remember and celebrate being 'Wairautanga'. On this day we treasure and remember our Uara/Values (Whanaungatanga, Manaakitanga & Kaitiakitanga) and know that through these, along with our PB4L approach, our Zones of Regulation knowledge, and our Restorative practices that we support eliminating bullying. We do this at our kura by focusing on our strengths, by celebrating our unique qualities, by learning about and accepting all cultures and by being kind, caring and empathetic. You can come to school dressed in 'Pink' on Friday 17th May if you like in support of 'Pink Shirt Day'. Learning about this will occur across the school during this week and we will get to celebrate our collective support at our Whole School Assembly this morning.



## Teacher Only Day

We have a Teacher Only Day on Tuesday 4th June (the day after King's Birthday).

Nga mihi Teena Johnson Tumuaki/Principal

## **Attendance**

Great to see our tamariki back for the start of Term 2.

Getting to school is a shared responsibility between whanau and school.

If at any time getting to school is difficult, please reach out and make an appointment to see me.

We're here to help.

Whaea Steph Deputy Principal



## Sports News

## Basketball

Basketball started this week, is played every Thursday afternoon at the arena. We have entered 4 Wairau teams into this competition this season. Wairau Warriors, Wairau Wairau, Wairau Whai & Waka Wairau.

#### Results -

Wairau Warriors - Player of the day was Aubrey. Wairau Wairua had a good win 20-2, Player of the day is Junior.

Wairau Whai also had a good win 16-2, Player of the day is Mikyah.

## Basketball Fees

Basketball fees are \$70 per child, the school subsidies the fees by \$30 to reduce cost for our families, so the fees are now \$40 per child playing.

We now require fees to be paid as the Basketball games have commenced. Many thanks to those who have already paid their child/childrens fees.



## **We Need Your Support**

# PPCT Walk in Session – Help with Completing Submission

PN City Council is in the final consultation process to make a decision on investing \$3.9 million in the expansion of the Pasifika Community Centre

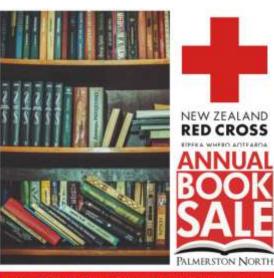
- PPCT Staff on hand to explain the forms
   Support offered with
- completing forms
  Online forms available
  - paper forms

    Deadline for submission
- 9 May 4pm (Thursday next week)

Saturday 4 May 10am – 3pm Pasifika Community Centre

> Free Sausage Sizzle

For more information contact Annie Scoon | 0273494837



### KING'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND 2024

31 May 1 June

1-6 PM

2 June 3 June

Barber/Bell Half Waldegrave Street Parmerston North

**Dental Treatment** 

or 0800 825583.

The Mobile Dental Clinic is not

visiting our school at present. To

contact the Dental Team you can

call the Dental Unit at The Palms in

Ferguson Street - Phone 3547737

LOST PROPERTY!

Please be sure to come and

have a look through the lost

property for any lost items on

a regular basis. Items seem

to accumulate very fast!

100,000+ Books

Games, DVDs

Comics & more

## Vomiting Bugs

Please remember if your child is away from school due to vomiting, they should not return to school until 48 hours after vomiting.

# School Uniform @ Academy Apparel

A reminder that Academy Apparel in Broadway Ave stock Te Kura o Wairau uniform, so if we don't have what you require in stock at school you have the option to purchase it there. You can also shop online through their website - & "Click & Collect". Our school community can also go to them for their Winz purchases.

## Public Health Nurse visits

The Public Health Nurse is again visiting our school and pops in on Monday or Tuesday morning. Ring the school to make an appointment if you have any health concerns with your children or want to book and appointment to see her.



Download the School App for up-to-date notices, and to let us know if your child/ren will be absent from school.



# Te Kura o Wairau

## Dates to Remember

## Assemblies for Term 2

17th May, 7th June, 5th July

Please note Assembly is now held at 10am.

 $9^{\text{th}}$  May - Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in the staffroom - All Welcome

13th May - Powhiri at 9am

17th May - Pink Shirt Day

30<sup>th</sup> May - Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in the staffroom - All Welcome

## School Facebook page

Keep in touch with the Kowhai, Rata, and Kahikatea teams, on their facebook pages. Each team has their own page and regularly puts photos and exciting news of what is happening within their teams and around the school.

Search for them:

Te Kura o Wairau Kowhai Team, Te Kura o Wairau Rata Team, Te Kura o Wairau Kahikatea Team.

PLEASE remember to ring us if your child is going to be away from school for

any reason.

Contact us on 3543274 or 0800 45 44 44 or download the school app (from School Apps or scan the QR code below) and leave a message.

If you do not inform us when your child/children are away from school, they will be marked as TRUANT.

If you have a change of address or your phone number changes, PLEASE let the office know.

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