



PALMERSTON NORTH INTERMEDIATE NORMAL SCHOOL

'Confident, Capable and Connected Students with a
'You Can Do It! Attitude'

Malo e lelei,
kia orana, kia
ora, namaste.

It is with sadness that we were informed last week about the passing of previous PNINS Principal, Mr Johan Bonnevie, who served as Principal from 1971- 1986. Johan was born in Norway, migrating to New Zealand and embracing our culture and way of life. He learnt the Maori language and often spoke Te Reo in school assemblies, implementing the Hui a Te Reo festival that has become one of the school's traditions. An excerpt from the recent 75th Jubilee handbook describes Mr Bonnevie as "a leader with a clear educational philosophy based on two key ideas: children were entitled to success, and they should be exposed to as wide a variety of experiences as possible". Outdoor educational pursuits were his passion and many visits and camps were established during his time. His impact on this school was profound and many of the traditional assemblies and festivals that we have today are based on his vision.

LANGUAGE LEARNING - Last week we celebrated the six languages taught in our after school programme with the students presenting a short skit in our assembly. It was fantastic to hear a variety of different languages such as Spanish, Mandarin, German, French, Chinese and of course Tongan to celebrate Tongan language week. Just a reminder that we offer these languages after school and if parents want their



children to attend please contact the school office.

2018 ENROLMENTS – We are pleased and excited to announce that we have accepted **ALL 'out of zone'** year 6 enrolments that were submitted on or before Thursday 7th September. From Thursday 7 September, we will continue to enrol students who are in zone. Out of zone enrolments from this date will be placed on our ballot list that will be held on Friday 24th November. We have chosen to accept all students as we have the places available and want to lessen the anxiety and stress of parents whose children have to be placed on a waiting list. Therefore, we have decided to have another ballot later for those students who still want to enrol but live out of zone.

In 2018, we will be focusing on strengthening relationships with parents and new students, and as outlined in our last newsletter, a number of changes will occur to start the school year. These changes will be presented at the Year 6 Orientation Information Evening at **7pm on Tuesday, 26 September** in Te Tihi. This will all be explained in the enrolment confirmation letter that will be sent out this week.

SCHOOL VISITS - Over the last two weeks we have sent staff to Auckland and Tauranga visiting schools to identify effective systems and 'great practice' that enhance outcomes specifically for intermediate age students. It has been immensely rewarding looking at the variety of programmes that cater for this age group.

These ideas will aid us as we are currently reviewing our vision and how we deliver our curriculum to ensure that every child can reach their potential.

Shortly we will be sending out a community survey to parents to hear what you have to say, while also getting feedback from our students.

With staff being away, we have employed a number of relief teachers who have mentioned how wonderful our learning environment is. Our students are polite, respectful, well-mannered and extremely proud of their school. This type of feedback is pleasing as RESPECT forms the foundation of all relationships at PNINS.

AIMS GAMES – This week we have a squad of 46 athletes representing PNINS at the 14th annual AIMS Games event held in Tauranga. This is a national event with over 300 schools and 10,000 athletes competing in 21 different codes. Our PNINS team consists of the following sports and we wish them well in their quest for success - Football, Basketball, Badminton, Cross Country, Multi Sport, Tennis, Table Tennis, Swimming and Squash. regular updates and photos are posted on the PNINS AIMS Facebook page that is available to all parents to view.

'FITOMANIA' ULTIMATE CHALLENGE - This term our Ultimate Challenge will be using our

newly built fitness track that provides 10 challenging strength and conditioning stations. Students have approximately four weeks to complete as many laps as they can with the winner receiving a \$200 Rebel sports voucher and second \$100 voucher.



NGA TOHUNGA PARENT CONFERENCES - These will now be held on Tuesday 19 September. Students were given interview forms last Friday and if you wish to see any of our specialist teachers, please return these forms by this Friday.

School Production News

The Lion King Junior rehearsals are in full swing and we are excited about staging this production in Week 3 of next term. Lots has been happening behind the scenes with set construction, costume making and rehearsals. Our talented cast are working hard and sound amazing!!

Tickets will go on sale next Monday for performances on Tuesday 31 October, Wednesday 1 November, Friday 3 November and Saturday 4 November.

These will be available from the school office. Adults \$15, Children \$10 and Family \$40 (2 adults, 2 children)

TOURNAMENT OF MINDS

On Saturday 9th September, despite 'prop and costume ruining' rain, seven PNINS teams competed in the regional final of Tournament of Minds, against 45 teams from 19 schools. TOM is a thinking skills challenge with aspects of theatre sports combined with drama, dance, technology, science and maths. Students worked in teams of seven and had six weeks to answer a challenge in one of four categories: Language Literature, Social Science, Maths Engineering or Science Technology. Having spent less than \$75, and without adult help, they then performed in a three metre square for 10 minutes, seeking a place in the National final in Wellington. During the day they also added to their score in a 4 minute spontaneous challenge, based on the song 'Cats in the Cradle'.

Two PNINS teams won their division, a Language Literature team, and a Science Technology team. In two weeks, they travel to Victoria University, for a new challenge, to be completed in only three hours in a lockdown situation. Two other teams, one in Social Science and one in Science Technology, were runners up in their divisions.

Congratulations to all the teams who competed, and good luck to the finalists in two week's time. Thank you to all the parents who supported their students over the past six weeks.

Last Friday we completed our Scifest week, with an assembly. Our guest speaker, Rachel Waite from Fonterra, talked about her study journey and career as an Engineer. We congratulated our MSTF entrants, and Olivia Goodman - Supreme Technology Winner presented a powerpoint of her project.

Two lively competitions, a balloon car race won by Manawanui team who are inaugural winners of the PNINS scifest challenge trophy, and a celebrity squares noughts and crosses challenge, jointly won by Rangitane and Ikatere.

This assembly completed our new direction in science fair this year, allowing digital presentations and joint projects.



Team Awards**Arataki**

Charlotte Davies	Josephine Myers
Francisa Malley	Jay Thompson
Mase Maxwell	Mackenzie Denton
Holly Griffin	Jacob Duker
Maia Sturgess	Zeth Jackson
Emma Wilson	Jonny Orr

Ikatere

Ella Cunningham	Caitlin Fuldseth
Claudia Booth	Ben Pettersson
Amira Compton	Renee Monaghan
William Duncan	Thomas Duncan
Beuden Lowe	Joshua Studholme
Kasidid Sooksangiam	
Maryann Mapuilesua	

Rangitane

Mason Waller	Kevin Guan
Deakin Payne	Kalas Jones
Ethan Darby	Andy Lin
Amnah Bibi	Holly Veale
Jaykib Dunn	Dylan Swart
Chamasha Kaluarachchige	
Brad Morgan	

Tangaroa

Joy Ma	Hannah Parry
Nandika Bhatt	Alex Murray
Harsha Heney	Leena MacDonald
Jack Morris	Abid Hossain
Jaikaew Buaniaw	
Jerome Te Kanawa	
Jordan Burmeister	
Emma Harris-Broad	

Kahukura

Jordan Chapman	Noah Gilbert
Zachary Hintz	Dreyden Manley
Alaa Fouda	Sophie Siebert
Sadia Sohail	Kate Jermy
Jack Conley	

Manawanui

Jordis Robinson	Cameron Baker
Cameron Baker	Cate Morrison
James Beals	Matthew Watson
Ryan Cotter	Claudia Roberts
Damien Paewai	Molly Tutty
Kyan Mooney	Brooke Ward

NETBALL - congratulations to all four PNINS netball teams 8A1, 8B1, 7A1 and 7B1 for braving the torrential rain and the chilling cold weather at the Horizons Junior Netball Tournament on Sunday 10th September at Vautier Park.

Overall results:

8A1 Netball Team	- 1st Place
7A1 Netball Team	- 4th Place
8B1 Netball Team	- 5th Place
7B1 Netball Team	- 7th Place

This ends our netball season for this year. I would like to personally thank all coaches, managers and umpires who have given up their time to attend Monday night games and commit to team practices week in and week out. Our tamariki are very lucky to have you all on board and be part of our PNINS netball whanau, 2017.

**Coming Events**

9-15/9	NZAIMS Games
15/9	Nga Tohunga Assembly
19/9	Nga Tohunga Interviews
21- 22/9	Taradale Exchange
26/9	Yr 6 Orientation Evening 7pm
29/9	Blue Badge Assembly

Hamish Ruawai

Principal