

Kia ora koutou. Nau mai haere mai

Dear Parents / Caregivers

All Year 7 & Year 8 students took home details re Parent / Teacher / Student Conferences last week and we are looking forward to meeting with parents to discuss your child's education.

Both conferences provide an opportunity for parents to ask questions, and for students/ teachers to share their learning goals.

As a child moves along the continuum towards becoming an independent learner we encourage him/her to attend this conference so that we can affirm and celebrate their achievement as well as identify the next steps in their learning.

In 2017, we are looking for 100% attendance at our Parent/ Teacher/Student Conferences

As mentioned in previous newsletters school closes for all students at 2.00pm on Wednesday 5 and 12 April.

If you require your child to be supervised at school until 3:10pm on either day then please advise the school office – email: office@pnins.school.nz or phone: 3580548.

CONGRATULATIONS

1st XV Cricket team who went through to the regional final held last Friday to have an opportunity to represent the region in the national competition to be held in Christchurch. It was a tremendous opportunity and well played fixtures against Hereworth School and Huntley.

U12 Super League: PN White Team:

MVP of the year – Van Prenter

Best Team Player – Jack Conley

Manawatu U11 Rep Cricket Team:

Best Team Player – Jacob Duker

Manawatu U12 Rep Cricket Team:

Best Team Player – Van Prenter

Manawatu U13 Rep Cricket Team:

MVP Of The Year – Aadesh Ganugapati & Jaiden Meyer

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

At our weekly Monday Morning Assemblies, Achievement Awards are presented to students in each Team, recognising outstanding achievement in all the Learning Areas of our school.

We congratulate the following students who have received awards at recent assemblies.

KENO AWARDS

To those students who have received three VP Awards (Valuable Person Awards) and have a coupon in the Keno* box for our end of term draw next Wednesday.

*Keno was a caretaker at Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School during the 1960s – 1970s and was highly respected by the staff, students and school community. As a person he had all the values and qualities that our VP Awards recognise. He was hardworking, thoughtful, caring and kind to all who knew him.

Our first KENO DRAW for 2016 will take place at Assembly on Wednesday, 13th April.



Later in Term Four this year we will be staging our biennial musical production in our Performing Arts Centre. As most of you will have heard, we have been lucky enough to have been granted the rights to the junior version of Disney's 'The Lion King' and will be among some of the first Intermediate Schools in NZ to stage this show.

We plan to hold auditions during Week Six of Term Two. Initial auditions will be held during the day of Tuesday 6th of June, with Call-backs happening after school during the remainder of that week and the following week. Rehearsals will begin in the latter half of Term Two and continue throughout Term Three.

As a lead up to auditions we are holding a pre-audition evening in our Performing Arts Centre at 7.00PM on Tuesday 11th April. At this evening we will explain what the time commitment and expectations will be. We will also be available to answer any questions and concerns that you as parents and caregivers might have.

If your child is intending to audition for this production it is in your best interests, if at all possible, that both you and your child attend this evening so that you both fully understand the commitment you will be making. At this evening we will also be handing out character descriptions, audition songs and any other related material.

Remember – auditions are open to every student at PNINS, NOT just students already enrolled in the Friday Performing Arts groups. We need dancers, singers, and actors but, please bear in mind, that auditioning for the production does not automatically mean that children will necessarily get into the show. Our maximum cast numbers are limited – *Disney* is **very** explicit about the way the show is directed and cast. In addition, while some children may be excellent singers or actors, they might simply ‘not suit’ a particular role. “The Lion King” Junior calls for a choir of approximately 60 plus leads and ensemble totalling approximately 25-30 (30 is the maximum cast size allowed by Disney).

DVDs of the movie are available to purchase from local bookshops (JB Hi Fi have copies and are able to order more for you if they have sold out). It is also available to hire from most DVD stores. The movie gives a good indication of the characters, voices and an overview of the show. Watching it is really ‘a must’ before auditioning. You Tube also has plenty of clips – both from the movie as well as the Broadway Stage Show (which the junior version is based on). You Tube is an excellent resource for learning songs for auditions if you do not have it on CD or DVD.

I look forward to seeing you at the pre-audition evening.



Barry Jones
Music Specialist and Performing Arts Coordinator

SCHOOL ANZAC ASSEMBLY

An invitation is extended to parents/grandparents to attend our 2017 School ANZAC Assembly. The School ANZAC Assembly will take place in Te Tihi on Thursday 13th April at 2.20pm, to remember those men and women who served their country, who fought, and especially those who fell, in this war and all subsequent wars, to give us the freedom and the life we have today in our fine land, Aotearoa – New Zealand.

We would ask parents/grandparents attending to be seated in the area beneath the sound/lighting room by 2.10pm.

SCHOOL FEES / DONATIONS - SPECIAL OFFER EXTENDED TO FRIDAY - 5 MAY 2017

Thank you to the many parents who have already paid their School Donation, \$80; and Activity Fees, \$130; **total paid qualifying for a free stationery pack valued at \$35.** (A number of parents have taken up this offer).

Due to the costs of camps, uniforms, sports fees etc. that parents have experienced this term, the Board of Trustees have agreed to extend to all parents this special offer to the end of Week 1, Term 2 Friday 5th May.

Despite what you may read in the media many schools are finding it increasingly difficult to budget within the existing Operations Grants allocated.

The school operation grant must cover all school operations including: support staff salaries, priority maintenance, caretaking and cleaning contracts/wages. It supplements curriculum delivery, learning support/extension programmes, and consumables associated with curriculum, administration, property, technology, etc.

The payment of your School Donation and Activity Fee enables us to provide the best in resources and equipment possible, to support the quality teaching and learning programmes in our school.

On a comparative basis nationwide our School Donation / Activity Fee is very reasonable with a number of intermediate school fees in excess of \$400+.

To take up the offer of free stationery the donation and school fees need to be paid by Friday 5 May, 2017 by automatic payment to Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School, BNZ, Palmerston North, A/c Number 020630 0029588 00. (Please state the name of the child and reason for payment in the details column). **Eftpos is also available at the School Office.**

TERM DATES

Term 2 – Monday 1 May – Friday 7 July

Term 3 – Monday 24 July – Friday 29 September

Term 4 – Monday 16 October – Friday 15 December

THANK YOU COACHES - PARENTS & TEACHERS

Through your willingness to coach a summer sports team you have 'opened another door' of opportunity to many of our students.

A special thanks to all those parents and teachers who have coached cricket, volleyball and Super Sports teams this term. As a school we appreciate the support and coaching you have provided teams with during the summer sports season.



Special thanks to Mr Jono Hicks, our Sports Co-ordinator and Mrs Ruebe, our Sports Administrator for superb organisation and communication during the summer sports season.

SCHOOL UNIFORM TERMS 2 & 3

The following are school winter uniform requirements for Terms 2 and 3.

Girls Uniform

- Skirts
- Short sleeve white polo shirt with PNINS logo
- Freyberg junior navy jersey with PNINS logo
- **Regulation plain black lace-up shoes (no Roman Sandals)**
- Long white socks worn below the knee (**no ankle sports socks**)
- Navy tights are a winter option
- Plain white, black or navy blue headband or ties
- School jacket (optional) – to and from school
- School Scarf only (optional to and from school).

Boys Uniform

- Navy school shorts (boys' shorts must be of a length on or above the knees)
- School grey short sleeve polo shirt with PNINS logo
- **School socks with support to keep up**
- Grey school jersey with PNINS logo
- **Regulation plain black lace up shoes (No Roman Sandals)** with navy school socks

- School Jacket (optional) – to and from school
- School Scarf only (optional to and from school)

Physical Education / Sports Uniform

- Students are to wear the correct sports uniform only
- Lace up sports shoes are also a requirement during all sports / physical education activities outside

All uniform items must be carefully named. It is difficult to find owners if items are not named clearly.

Note:

- T-Shirts are not to be worn under school uniform shirts. If students are cold they need to wear a jersey or short sleeve V neck polyprop shirt.
 - Black lace-up shoes only. **No buckle shoes permitted.**
 - **Hair regulations** – Please refer below.
- Sunhats can be packed away until Labour Weekend.

HAIR COLOUR

We ask students and their parents to note that our School Prospectus clearly states in the School Uniform Code of Appearance Section "Students attending this school are not permitted to display hairstyles and clothing that are fashion statements (the student's natural hair colour only)". Any student arriving at school next term with a hair colour other than their natural colour, will be asked to remove the colour before coming back to school the next day.

No hair products such as wax or gel to be worn.

- Boys – Hair to be off the face and cut so it is off the shirt collar.
- Girls – Hair to be off the face and, if long, to be tied back with blue, black or white hair-ties.

SCHOOL JACKET

With winter approaching the school jacket is ideal for students to wear to/from, and when outside at school.

- Shower proof
- Wind proof

Now available at Academy Apparel (Main Street)

Sizes 10-14 and Sizes S, M, L all \$64.90.

Students are permitted to wear this jacket to and from school and in the school grounds at interval and lunchtime.

PARENT PARKING - PUTTING STUDENTS AT RISK

Please do not park on yellow lines outside Linton Street, South Street or College Street.

This is illegal parking and you are putting the safety of students at risk by obstructing the Kea Crossing in Linton Street, and putting student safety at risk in South Street and College Street. The safety of all students to and from school is paramount at PNINS.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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We congratulate the following students who have received awards at recent assemblies.

Arataki

Christian Alefaio	Charlotte Pratt
Tommy Lu	Kylem Vunipola
Matt Watson	Anah-Rose Stephenson
Ajae Hanson	Emree Wharihinga
Paris Kareko	Sophie Bell
Lucy Burden	

Ikaterere

Fraser Babb	Sky Turner
Thomas Duncan	Alex Little
Nadia Biel	Olioni Taumoepeau
Zachary Mainwaring	Johnathan Rouxel
Ella Cunningham	Daniel Warrington
Lucy Salter	Bueden Lowe

Tangaroa

Elizabeth Shingleton	Fergus Hodgetts
Phoenix Richmond	Madison Jones
Jack Flynn	Brea Richardson
Max O'Connor	Yu Jet Chen

Kahukura

Ryder Lennon	Michael Visser
Alice Minnell	Xavier Gray-Brydon
Lara Harjes	Damien van den Berg

Manawanui

Scarlett Spencer	Courtney Tiffen
Logan Genereux	Maxine Codeniera
Kim Schalk	Mary Pham
Arihia Lind	Sevelino Hakumotu
Jack Bassett	Lara Carson
Fraser Stanly	Isaac Luoni

Rangitane

McKenzie Rowatt	Alena Carr
Jayde Coyle	Isabella Chen
Bruce Izumi	Eric Ly
Anh Tran	Tristan Darby
Adam Wilson	Tino Halatuituia
Jaweria Ahmer	Jasmine Zhou

QUOTE OF THE WEEK Theme: Achievement

'People can be divided into three groups: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who wonder what happened'

(John Newbern)

ROTARY SPEECH FESTIVAL

Congratulations to the following students who were selected as finalists for the Rotary Speech festival to be held in Term 2:

Olivia Bovey -R7
Olivia Goodman - R36
Ben McQueen-Davies - R13
Charlotte van Stipriaan R6
Emma Clark R2
Jessica Allen R6

Twelve students took up the challenge of writing a topical speech of interest to an adult audience at Rotary. Congratulations to Jessica Allen, who has been selected to represent PNINS at the Intermediate Rotary Speech festival sometime in Term 2.

TRIATHLON NATIONALS

On 30/31 March the Triathlon Nationals were held in Whanganui. Everybody showed great resilience swimming in a very murky Whanganui River!
U12 Boys Triathlon - Sam Brown (24th)
U13 Girls Triathlon - Bella-Rose Lloyd (7th)
U12 Boys Aquathon - Fergus Doolan (17th)
U13 Boys Aquathon - Peter Scott (4th)
U13 Girls Aquathon - Bella-Rose Lloyd (14th)
Sam, Peter and Bella-Rose teamed up with Bella Ives from Ross Intermediate to form a combined PNINS/Ross Tag Team to take 2nd place and the silver medal. A fantastic result!

COMING EVENTS

7 April Winter Sports Trials Day
11 April Pre-Production Parent Student evening 7pm
12 April Supersport Mountain Biking
Year 8 Parent/Teacher/Student conferences - 2.30pm
13 April ANZAC Assembly - 2.20pm **END OF TERM 1**

Nāku noa

nā Hamish Ruawai
Principal