



Whānau Pānui

Friday 08 March 2024

Greetings, Tēnā Koutou E Hoa Mā, Talofa Lava, Malo E Lelei, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Bula Vinaka



Happy birthday to all of our tamariki who celebrated their birthdays in February!

- Rm 1 Ryka-Edge
- Rm 2 Kai, Ta'alo, Sloane
- Rm 3 Te Pori, SJ
- Rm 4 Aydin, Paige, William
- Rm 5 Leilani, Piper, Lyla, Phoenix
- Rm 6 Iris, Millie
- Rm 7 Joseph, Sofia
- Rm 8 Lachie, Beau, Atelaite
- Rm 10 Lily
- Rm 11 Angel, Sally
- Rm 12 Phoebe, Rosie, Roman
- Rm 14 Sienna, Ayla, Charlie, Garlett
- Rm 15 Luna, MacKenzie, Kynzleigh
- Rm 16 Milo
- Rm 20 Nivaan

Athletics Day

Last Friday several of our Student Leaders ran the annual Pre-school & Year 1/2 athletics event. They were in charge of setting up the equipment, running their station, teaching the game & skills and motivating everyone to give it their best. We were very impressed with their ability to think on their feet, to adapt the games for younger children and the kindness that they showed to our visiting preschoolers.





SPINNAKER STRAND

On Wednesday the Year 1's went on an adventure to see the kuaka at Spinnaker Strand, the birds our year is named after. After a walk that wasn't as long as we thought it might be, we arrived at the mudflats and got to explore. We found crabs, worms and shrimps in a variety of sizes and enjoyed hunting for them amongst the mud and rocks. Thank you to all the family members who came along on our Ngā Kuaka adventure.









We had a great FOS meeting last week and have agreed that due to the continuing increased cost of fruit we will no longer ask whanau to donate fruit for those Tamariki who need a top up in their lunchbox. There will be an option

to donate money directly through Kindo if you still wish to support this initiative on a regular basis and the money raised from our first pizza lunch each term will now go to purchasing the fruit required for the term.

We will continue to ask whanau to volunteer to make 5 lunches per day we require. We still have a few gaps for this term so if you can help please add your name to the spreadsheet on a day you can help and drop your 5 lunches plus piece of fruit into the office on that day.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1DTaUqRK84vgYob1fu4XdhfuIGQVnk hse/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=113546079889521725851&rtpof=true&sd=true

As you will have seen our junior playground is now complete and it looks fantastic! The next part of our play based project is to install a Gaga pit for the middle/senior school. There was one at the Year 5/6 camp last year and it was a huge hit with the kids, and enables the ability for multiple kids to play and be included in the game at once.

Please see below picture.

What is a Gaga Pit? Gaga ball is a variant of the classic playground sport dodgeball. But instead of running around throwing balls that can smack kids in the face, head, and other sensitive body parts, gaga ball limits the impact. Players slap or hit the ball, aiming to hit other players at or below the knees. If you're hit, you're out. The last player in the pit is the winner. The game is relatively inclusive, since kids don't need to be able to run fast, and smaller kids may even have an advantage over taller ones.





Kids, Consent & Safety: A parent workshop Thursday 14th March 7.15-8.15 in Room 7 here at school

Jo Robertson will be running a workshop for parents in light of the police "Keeping Ourselves Safe" programme that our students are currently taking part in. This workshop will complement what the children are discussing in their sessions. You will gain skills to initiate conversations about consent at home, learn what tools they need for safe playdates and sleepovers, and strategies to prevent online harm. Jo has worked as a trauma therapist for children and teenagers, runs workshops and support parents around the country on keeping their kids safe in the real and digital world.



Come along on Tuesday and Thursday's between 8:30am-8:45am in the Garden Table Kitchen.

All students welcome



Please send togs, towel, goggles (optional) in a bag on their swimming day. If your child is unwell or has an injury and cannot swim, please send a message to their teacher. We have some spare togs and towels that we lend to children.

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Cece, Elissa and Phoebe are leading a food drive for Brownies and we'd love your support! Check out the details below and consider contributing to make this initiative a success. Your generous donations will make a significant impact and help us support those in need. A big thank you to Cece, Elissa and Phoebe for taking the lead in making a positive difference in our community through this thoughtful food drive!





Netball Waitākere Future Ferns Year 1-8 Have a Go and Registration

<u>Day.</u>

NO experience needed and ALL future FERNS levels welcome (Year 1-8)

- Saturday 9th March 2024
- 10.00am-1.00pm
- FREE
- Games & activation stations
- Meet your favourite MG Northern Mystics Players
- Register with one of our Amazing Clubs
- Sausage Sizzle



We are pleased to announce our KIDS SOCIAL TENNIS sessions will be starting back up next week - 28th February!! Sessions will be running WEEKLY from 4.30-6pm, pizza provided. Bring them down to enjoy a hit with their peers. \$5 for non members - Free for members.



Each Friday - during **Term 1** we will have a coffee cart coming to school between 8:15-9:15.

The coffee cart will be in the Junior turf area, Grab a coffee, catch up with other whanau and kick start your day



Did you know that Swimsation offers discounted lessons exclusively for Peninsula Primary School students? Want to know more or book some lessons? Check out their website: <u>https://swimsation.com/te-atatu/</u>

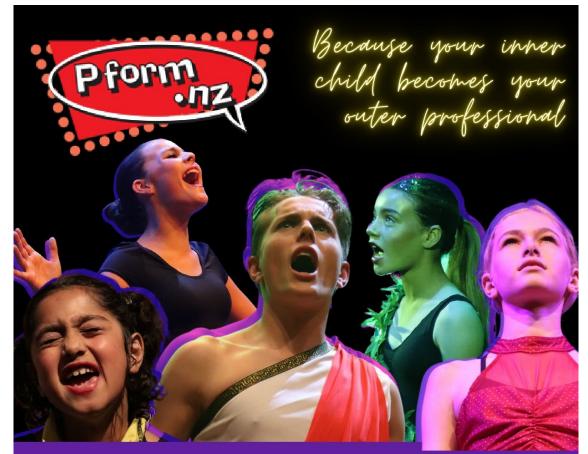
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<u>JUDO</u> <u>Classes on the Peninsula</u>

Judo classes are happening every Wednesday afternoon from 5:30 to 6:30 in the school hall of Rutherford Primary School. The class next Wednesday will be a free have-a-go session for all newcomers to try out this Olympic sport which offers exercise, discipline, respect and other benefits.

Coach Johan is a 6th Dan, professional coach, and the owner of Nippon Judo Schools. Feel free to contact him on 021-113-2105 or <u>bosjudo@hotmail.com</u> if there are any questions. Everyone is welcome to join the session on Wednesday afternoon.



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Easter Holidays are coming up

| Good Friday | 29 March |
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| Easter Monday | 01 April |
| Easter Tuesday | 02 April - No school on this day |

Back to school Wednesday 03 April



Skids will be opening a Full day session from 8.30 am to 6 pm on **Tuesday 2nd April** for the Families who need support with child supervision.

Term 1 2024

Important dates to remember:

MARCH

Week 6

Wednesday 13 - Athletics Cluster at Rutherford College
Thursday 14 - Ice blocks - Gaga pit fundraiser
Thursday 14th 7.15-8.15 pm - Parent meeting re Kids Consent and Safety
Sunday 23rd - Dumpling workshop



Term 1 - Wednesday 07 Feb - Friday 12 April

Wednesday 07 Feb - First day back to schoolFriday29 March - Good Friday (Public Holiday)Monday01 April - Easter Monday (Public Holiday)

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Term 2 - Monday 29 April - Friday 05 July

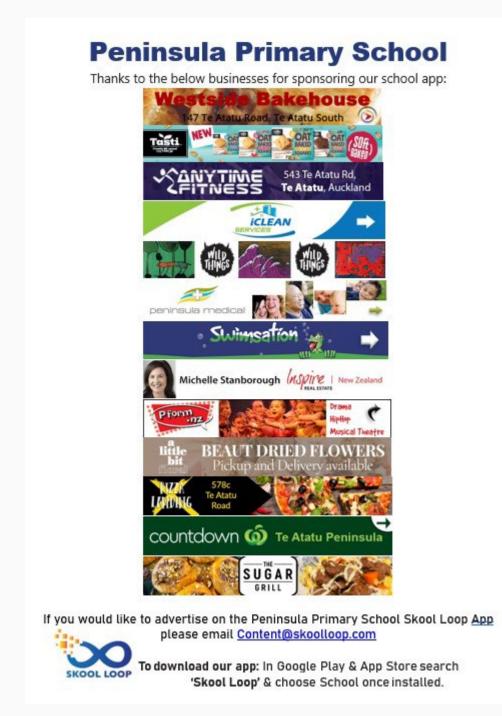
Monday 29 April - School starts for Term 2 Monday 03 June - King's Birthday (Public holiday) Friday 28 June - Matariki (public holiday) School breaks for holidays Friday 05 July 3pm

Term 3 - Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

No public holidays School breaks for holidays Friday 27 September 3pm

Term 4 - Monday 14 October - Wednesday 18th December

Monday 28 October - Labour Day (public holiday) School finishes on Wednesday 18th December 1pm (please note change of last day)



Ticket link - <u>https://www.trybooking.com/nz/events/landing/10511</u> Facebook Event Link - <u>https://facebook.com/events/s/captain-festus-mcboyles-pre-</u> <u>ch/1508884376581531/</u>

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