



Kia ora koutou!

We were very lucky with the weather on Tuesday for our trip out to the beach at Andersons Lagoon. We learnt about being a scientist using our local environment and learnt about food gathering (mahikakai) in pre-European times which fits in well with the NZ Histories strand of Social Sciences Curriculum. The beach was very accessible with the tide out and gave good access to both ends of the beach and good spots to carry out the metre square grid surveys of local flora and fauna. A huge thank you to the parents who came along and to Julia Te Raki as well as the scientists from the NZ Marine Studies Centre. The follow up work has been postponed due to the Aqua Van breaking down on the way out here so is in for repair. They are rescheduling for later in June.



Our first face to face assembly is next week. We are still having cases of covid within the school however we feel that with good ventilation we can safely still hold the event. Please feel free to wear a mask as these are still one of the protective measures that have proved effective. Room 4 is hosting the assembly however each class will share something to spread the load.

Next week the children who have been working with Maigen from Netball Otago are going across to the High School for a mini tournament on Wednesday afternoon. We also have some people from North Otago Hockey coming to take us through some hockey skills. Hopefully the weather is good for both sessions.

We have had a good number of cheese roll orders. Thank you. We will need plenty of people to help make them. More hands make light work is definitely true for cheese rolls. Room 6 will be going up again to help out as some of the money raised goes to camp and activity week. The main day for making them is Thursday 2 June up at the Sports Hall.

Sexuality in the NZ Curriculum Zoom Meeting

We are inviting you to join us for a webinar to learn more about sexuality as one of the key learning areas of the NZ Health and PE curriculum. Sexuality in the NZ Curriculum focuses strongly on consensual, healthy and respectful relationships as being essential to student wellbeing. Wellbeing has a direct impact on student learning.

Please join us to find out about what this learning area really means and what it looks like in the classroom. This will take 15-20 minutes with question time, if you have any questions already in mind please send them through to

megang@palmerston.school.nz or drop them into the office so we can ensure we address them in the presentation. After the presentation about the wider sexuality area we will continue with a presentation for Year 4-6 whānau focusing specifically on pubertal change- again there will be time for questions. Please just stay on the zoom for this if you are interested.

Zoom Meeting - Tuesday 24 May at 5pm link will emailed and via Skool Loop/Seesaw

Hei kona mai I roto I nga mihi, Goodbye for now and thanks - John Goulstone, PRINCIPAL

IMPORTANT DATES

Fri 20 May Mac 'N' Cheese Friday Lunch \$4 Creek Planting with Amy Maw

PINK SHIRT DAY – dress in Pink

Parent Assembly hosted by Rm 4 Fri 27 May

Wed 1 June Happy Days Radio Show 1 & 2 June Cheese Roll Making Rippa Tournament

Fri 3 June Fri 3 June **Teacher Only Day Queen's Birthday** Mon 6 June

Fri 17 June Parent Assembly hosted by Rm 2 Thu 23 June Matariki Breakfast & Creek Opening

Fri 24 June Matariki Holiday Wed 29 June

BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm



Fri 8 July Mon 25 July Fri 29 July

Celebration of Learning for Term 2 First day of Term 3

Pink Ribbon Day – Gold coin donation



The school roll is 109. We welcome Angaleen Kumar (Rm 1) and her family to Palmerston Primary School and hope you enjoy your time with us.

ANDERSON'S INLET VISIT - ROOM 6 WRITING

The first thing I saw was the waves and then the rocks. There were Oyster Catchers and Shags on the rocks. The oyster catchers were very loud. The last thing I saw was the geese out at sea. By Tyler

On Tuesday I went to Anderson's lagoon!! The trip was really fun. I really enjoyed it. There were a lot of tiny snails and the waves were really big. We got to cut inside the kelp and there were bubbles. The bubbles felt really nice!!!!! By Indy

On Tuesday Rooms and room 4 went to Andersons Bay lagoon. We had scientists come with us. I saw shellfish, Swans, Canadian geese, shotgun shells and oyster catchers. The scientists told us that a couple hundred years ago Māori stored and cooked with food in little bags of seaweed. I wonder what beef, pork and lamb tastes like when it is cooked in the seaweed. By Sam

When we went to Anderson's Lagoon we learnt why the beach is salty and how some people cook with seaweed! We got to feel the seaweed. It felt gooey. Inside the seaweed it looks like honeycomb! The colour of the seaweed was green. We all got to look at the cute snails. By Jayda

When I arrived at the beach, I could immediately hear the crashing waves.

A lady (Katie) from the Aquavan who was a scientist cut some seaweed and we saw inside it. There were lots of little bubbles which felt kind of soft. Katie said that people sometimes put food inside it, seal it, and then cook it. But once the food is cooked it might taste a little bit salty. With different scientists we had to observe around the rocks and sand. There were so many sea snails on the big boulder. By Abigail



Kia Ora, thank you to everyone who has kindly offered to help with the Cheese Roll making it is much appreciated, we still need more helpers so please let us know if you can help. If anyone has any brown paper shopping bags please drop them at the office.

A reminder that all forms and payment need to be into the office by 3pm this Friday please. Nga mihi, Sarah-Jane Kelly Email homeandschool@palmerston.school.nz







COMMUNITY NOTICES



EOHS year 13 students are fundraising for their school formal. As part of this we are holding a school disco for all primary school children.

