



PETONE CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Wednesday, 27th March, 2024

A vibrant local place of learning and achievement

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Reminders:

- School starts at 8:55am and finishes at 2:55pm
- Classes are open in the morning from 8:30am
- Wharekai (breakfast room) is operating from 8:30 until 8:55am
- Ice blocks for sale every Friday \$1 each
- Please remember to bring a sunhat every day (school policy in Term 1 and Term 4)



Principal's Message:

Kia ora Koutou,

Week 9 is upon us, and this week our Teachers had Paid Union meetings, we did our best to have our kura in business as usual 🙏

We celebrate Easter this weekend- therefore school is closed for instruction Friday (Good Friday) to Tuesday, and school will resume Wednesday, the 3rd of April (Easter Tuesday is a part of the Education Act legislation. The Ministry of Education website states "The Tuesday following Easter Monday is a school holiday (not a statutory holiday) meaning schools must not be open")

There is a group of students at Hutt Valley High School that are seeking feedback for their Year 13 Enterprise scheme. It is called "Earthlings" and is an enviro activity kit, for both parents and tamariki to learn about the environment and a sense of belonging to NZ's Natural world.

Please see the attached link to their google form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1S2XXWT9wv5W2Rwf_1ilyxzgTGck0t6JdTfVVAJSWZT4/viewform?edit_requested=true

Keeping our Tamariki safe is a crucial responsibility that we all share. Tamariki deserve to grow up in environments where they feel secure, loved and protected. Our kura has opted into a new Well being focused initiative, led by the Ministry of Education and Police, across the Lower Hutt area. The purpose of the programme is to notify schools in a timely manner when one of its students has been affected by a family harm episode. This programme sits within our Child Protection policy requirements, and supports a small number of selected staff to support our tamariki who may require extra care.

You can view this within our school policies here:

<https://petonecentral.schooldocs.co.nz/> and search for 'CHILD PROTECTION'

Last week our kura hosted a small group of Principals from the Lower Hutt region, and showed these Principals how we do Manaakitanga and Whānau, at our kura. This was led by our tamariki, from the Karanga, to Whaikōrero, Haka pōwhiri and their waiata. We are all extremely proud of our tamariki and the way they exemplify their own mana.

We now have a sign in/sign out device, which is located at the main office. Any students that are late are able to sign in on the tablet, and it goes straight to our SMS (school attendance register). This is also to be used when you come in to sign your child out early (no more paper folder 🙏).

Here is hoping you and your Whānau have a safe Easter and enjoy your celebrations, whatever they may be.

Mauri ora, Whaea Trina- Tumuaiki

Our Value:

RESPECT

- Self
- Others
- Environment

RESPECT

IT'S MORE THAN
JUST A WORD

House Points:

House points are given out to students who demonstrate our value of Respect and also for events during the year.

Our house points so far this term:

Weka: 1418

Ruru: 1614

Kea: 1460

Celebrations:



Congratulations to the following students who are about to celebrate their birthday:

- Jack
- Priyansh
- Manaia
- Hennessy
- Zoe
- Umair
- Mahinaarangi

Important Dates for Term 1:

- Good Friday - 29th March (school closed)
- Easter Monday - 1st April (school closed)
- Easter Tuesday - 2nd April (school closed)
- School Photos - 4th April
- Whānaungatanga Day

School Photos:

A reminder that school photos will be taken next Thursday 4th April. Please ensure your child is at school by 8:55 am on school photo day so they do not miss out.

If you have ordered a sibling photo, then these will begin at 9am in the school hall.

Easter Break:

A reminder that school will be closed for Easter Break:

Friday 29th March

Monday 1st April

Tuesday 2nd April



Whanaungatanga Day:

Please come dressed in an outfit that reflects your culture on Wednesday 10th April. Classes will be learning about the cultural backgrounds their students come from and will celebrate the uniqueness of each student.

Hihi Class Focus:

Aotearoa Histories

This Term Hihi have been learning about Aotearoa Histories. We have been learning about local place names including what the names are, where the names came from and why they have the names they do.

We discovered that 'Petone' was named after one of the original pā sites situated along Petone Beach at the Korokoro Hill end. This pa was called 'Pito-one Pā'. The other pā site was at the other end of the beach near the hutt river and was called Hikoikoi Pā.

Pito-one (now incorrectly spelt 'Petone') means 'End of the sandy beach' (Pito: End, One: Sandy beach), and now encompasses a much larger area than the area originally named.

We found out that names of places could come from many sources, such as people's names, ships names, Māori names, European names, and names brought all the way from places on the other side of the world.

Some street names in Petone are named after prominent people from the past such as:

Te Puni Street - Named after Te Puni, the Te Ātiawa Chief of Pito-one.

Jackson Street - Named after Edwin Jackson, an early Petone Settler.

Some street names in Petone are named after European early settler ships such as:

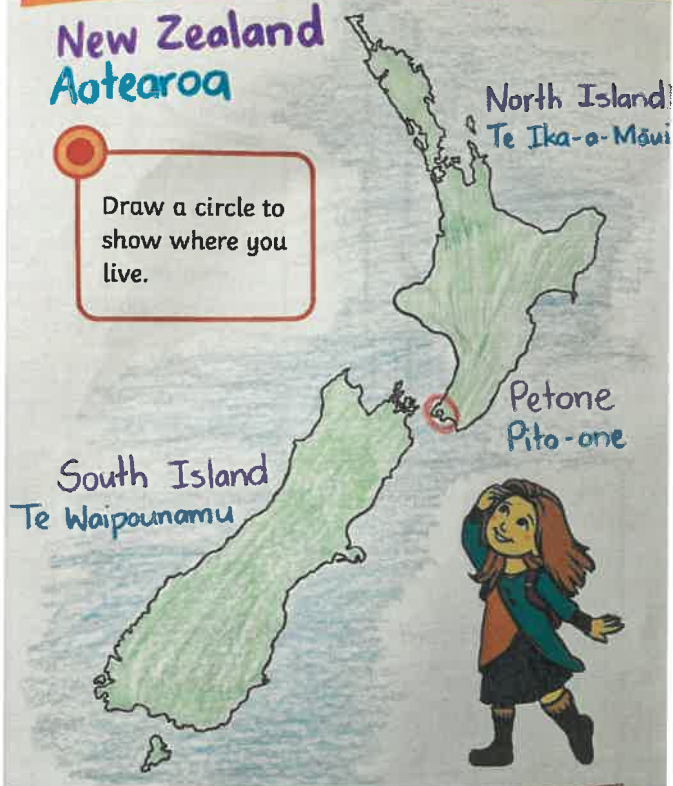
Aurora Street - Named after the 1840 arrival of the 'Aurora' ship.

Many places have two or more names, as different people groups named the same places. For example, the main island in Wellington harbour is called 'Matiu', and also 'Somes' Island, also the Hutt River was 'Te Awa Kairangi' (To Māori it was a 'river of good food') and it was also known as the 'Hutt river' (named after William Hutt a NZ Company director).

You Can Find Us Here!

New Zealand Aotearoa

Draw a circle to show where you live.



The Name of Our Place

Did you know that many places in Aotearoa New Zealand have more than one name?

Find out the names your place (or a place near you) has been given.

Petone
Pito-one
End of the sandy beach

What name do most people use?

Petone

Why do you think most people use that name?

It's easy to say



Maths

In Maths, we have been learning about Statistics. We have asked questions of our classmates to come up with data. We have found out how many letters there are in our names, what our favourite colours, ice-cream flavours and foods are. We have also found out about how we travel to school. We have collected data using a tally chart and learnt about tally marks. We have created pictographs using our data and have answered questions about our findings.

How We Travel to School Tally Chart

Complete the tally chart below to show how people travel to school.

Transport	Tally	Total
Walk		2
Ride		1
Scooter		2
Car		4
Bus		0
Taxi		0
Other		0

What's Your Favourite Colour?

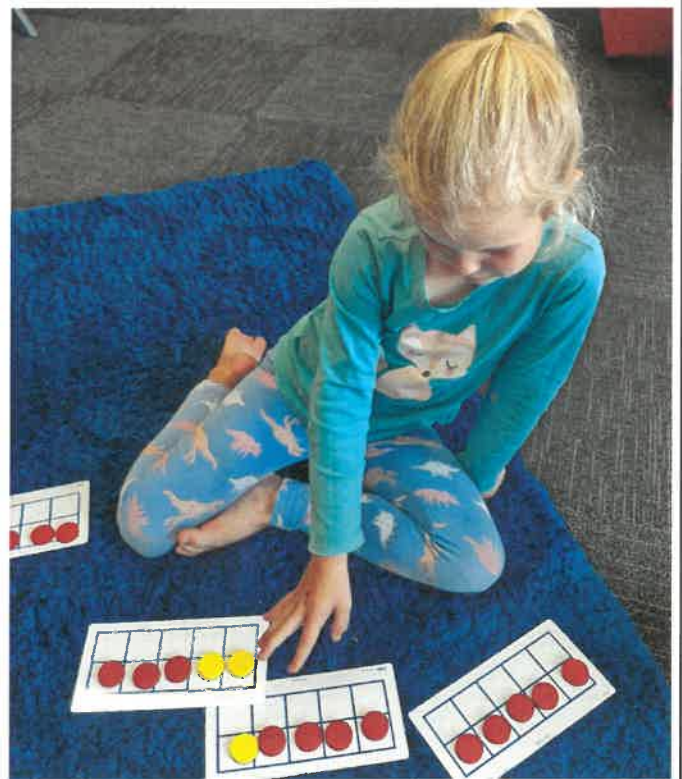
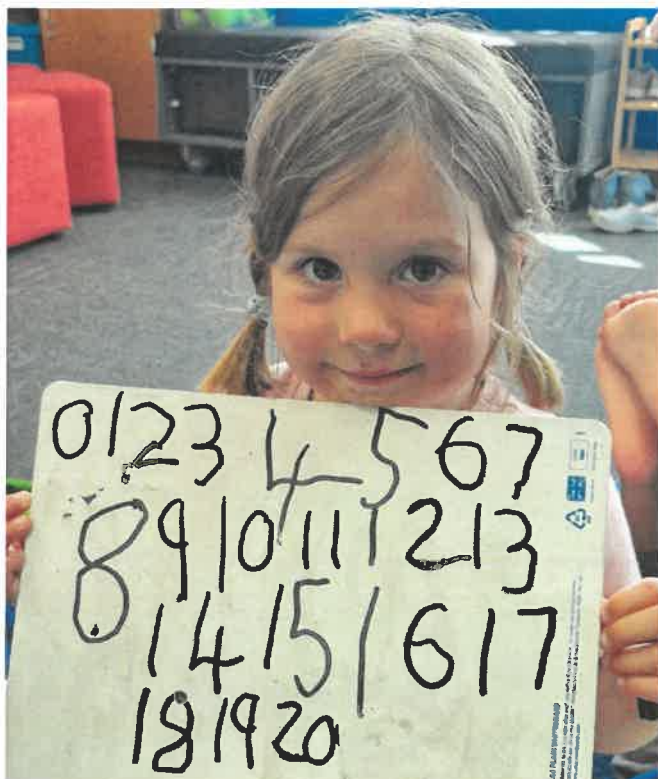
Record your friends' favourite colours by using a mark, line or picture for each answer.

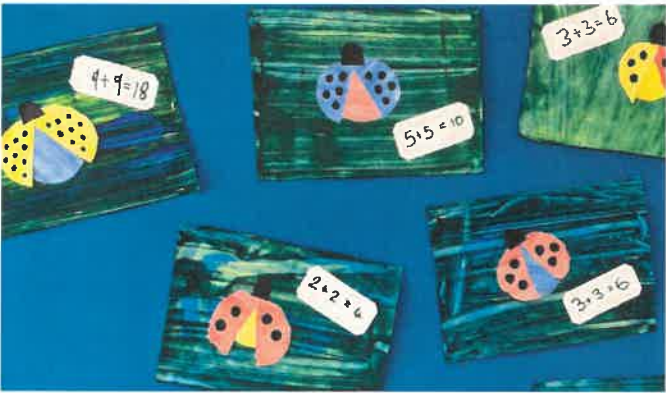
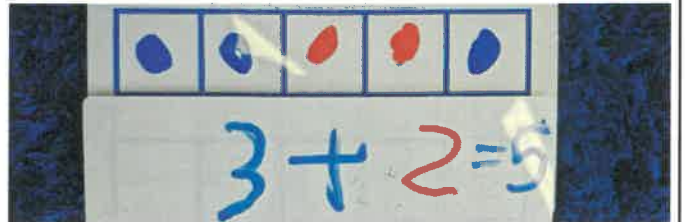
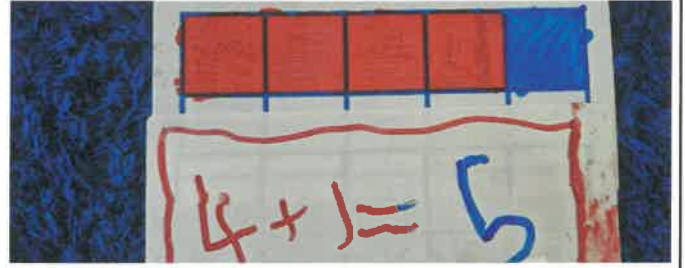
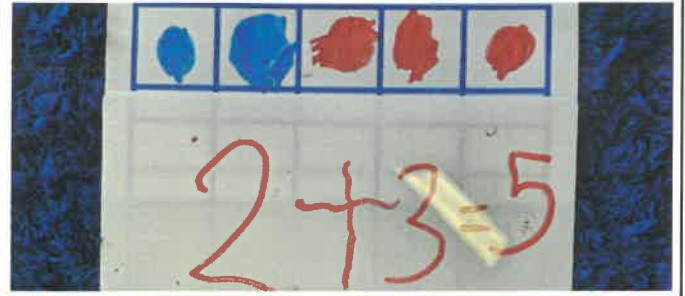
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What's your Favourite Colour Pictograph

1. Which colour is the most popular?
Blue
2. How many have pink as their favourite colour?
3
3. List the favourite colours from the most popular to least popular.
Blue, pink, red
4. Which colours are not favourites in our class?
Purple, orange, green, yellow

We have also been learning about 'Number', learning to count forwards and backwards in ones, two's, fives and tens as well as to add and subtract numbers. We have spent some time memorising facts to 5 or 10, and also doubles facts.





Art

In Art, we have been learning colour. We have learnt about primary and secondary colours, colour mixing, and contrasting colours. Here are some of our artworks!



Whanaungatanga Day:

WHANAUNGATANGA DAY



CULTURAL CELEBRATION

APRIL 10TH 2024

DRESS TO REFLECT YOUR CULTURE



OPEN DAILY
10AM - 5PM

Nga Manu
NATURE RESERVE

EASTER WEEKEND

29 March - 1 April

Hunt for the hidden Easter eggs to win
over \$3000 worth of amazing prizes!



- ▶ Daizy Design face painting
- ▶ Take a selfie with Ngā Manu's giant kiwi
- ▶ Sausage sizzle
- ▶ Colouring competition and Lil' Explorer Trail
- ▶ Bring a picnic blanket and make a day of it
- ▶ Eel feeding at 12pm and 2pm

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Petone Central T-Shirts and Hoodies

If you are interested in purchasing a Petone Central School T-Shirt or Hoodie please go to the school office to place your order.

Cash and Eftpos available.

T-SHIRT - \$20

Colour options: Green, Magenta, Purple, Yellow, Sky Blue, Blue, Lime, Pink.

Kids Sizes:

Size	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
Chest	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
Length	50.5	53	55.5	58	60.5	63	65.5

Adults Sizes:

Size	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	5XL
Chest	105	110	115	120	125	130	140
Length	69	71.5	74	76.5	78	79.5	82.5



HOODIE - \$40

Colour options: Black, Maroon, Navy, Pink, Royal Blue, Sky Blue, Purple, Magenta.

Kids Sizes:

Size	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
Chest	40	80	85	90	95	100	105
Length	46.5	48.5	51.5	54.5	57.5	60.5	63.5

Adults Sizes:

Size	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	5XL
Chest	110	115	120	125	130	135	140	150
Length	66.5	69.5	72	74.5	77	79.5	82	87

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