



# PETONE CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

24th March, 2021

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## Reminders:

- Please ensure your child has a sun hat at school every day during Term 1.
- Remember to sign in at the office and/or with the Covid QR codes outside classrooms.
- Juicies and Ice blocks on sale every Monday and Friday, \$1 each.

10 ways to become a better reader...

1. Read
  2. READ
  3. Read
  4. read
  5. READ
  6. Read
  7. Read
  8. read
  9. Read
  10. READ
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IF YOU see SOMEONE  
WITHOUT a smile  
give THEM  
ONE OF yours!

## Principal's message:

Kia ora Whānau

Week 8 and we are noticing the change in the weather. Children still need to bring a hat please- no hat, no play.

A few weeks ago, we had a Police Officer come and watch our students on Road patrol, and also to talk about cars that continue to park on the yellow broken lines.

When you park on these lines, you are blocking the view of the Road Patrollers, and this makes their job and the whole situation unsafe. The Police Officer has instructed Teachers to make a note of cars that continue to do this, and to pass this information on to him. He will in turn make contact with parents as this is considered dangerous. We have started closing the top gates as there was recently a near miss of two cars trying to back out at the same time. Please keep the driveway clear. All students should be coming through the pedestrian gates, not the driveway gates. Parking on Elizabeth Street and coming in our back gate is also an option if Britannia Street gets too busy for you to find a carpark.

We are also noticing there are students who are coming to school eating hot chips and drinking energy drinks in the morning. Please speak with your tamariki (children) as this is not nutritional for breakfast. We do have Wharekai which serves breakfast every day, and that would be a better option for them.

Our new water fountains have been installed and are a big hit with our students!

Have a great weekend Everyone

Māuri ora  
Whāea Trina- Tūmuaki

## Important Dates for Term 1:

Friday 2nd April - Tuesday 6th April:

(Easter Friday to Easter Tuesday-school is closed)

Wednesday 7th April:

Junior (Year 1 -3) sports day building fundamental sports skills.

Thursday 8th April:

BOT meeting 4-5.30pm

Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th April:

Tawa class visits to Te Papa

Friday 16th April: End of Term 1



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Our Value:

## RESPECT

- Self
- Others
- Environment



Celebrations:



Happy birthday to all celebrating a birthday over the next two weeks:

- Jack Robinson
- Manaia Thompson-Ryland

Attendance:

Congratulations to our students who have had **Excellent** attendance so far in 2021. These students are listed as follows:

Maximus, Odette, Conor, Noah, Manaia, Frank, Emelio, Jack, Tadhg, Esme, Meihania, Mher, David, Lucky, Elena, Esther, Angela, Conrad, Ahyaan, Harshini, Faith, Maria, Te Ariki, Livi, Naz, Eva, Leah, Autumn, Nova, Tamati, Rebekah, Kierra, Bodie, Swar, Rawhiti, Weston, Aydin, Kavell, Jaymii, Kayla, Shalom, Clodagh, Minh, MJ, Eli, Broven, Halo, Natalia, Fahima

### “Every Day Counts”

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem that much but...

If your child misses	that equals...	which is...	and over 13 years of school that's...
1 day a fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 Years
1 day a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

### The effect of absence on progress

A whole year has 365 days; a school year has 190 days. That leaves 175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.

No Absence	10 days absence	12 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	38 days absence
190 days of education	180 days of education	178 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education
100%	95%	94%	90%	85%	80.00%
Very Good	Worrying		Serious Concern		

Best chance of progress and success.  
More likely to be socially happy.

Harder to make progress or experience success.  
Harder to make friend and more likely to be less happy at school.

This is **persistent absence** and Very hard to make progress and social outcomes are often poor. Referral to Attendance Services is likely.



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## House Points:

House points are given out for showing our school value of RESPECT.

House Points Tally for Term 1 2021:

Kea: 757

Weka: 879

Ruru: 755

## Rātā Class Inquiry:

This term, Rātā class have undertaken an inquiry topic on Plants. We started off by sharing what we already knew, we then asked questions about what we wanted to find out. We researched, interviewed, tested and observed to find out answers to our questions. We also spent some time in our school gardens.

Here are the questions we found answers to:

Why do plants have flowers/leaves/a stem/roots?

Why do flowers have petals?

Why does a flower die and fall off?

What is inside a seed?

Do insects help plants?

Does a plant need sun to grow?

## Principal's Award:



This week the Principal's Awards go to:

### Rātā:

Neeyah, for making great progress in reading and writing using your letter sound knowledge to work out words.

### Kāuri:

Eva, for displaying respect for herself, others and the environment consistently throughout this term.

Kei runga noa atu Kōrua!





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### Sports:

What a great day at Capture the Flag! We saw lots of teamwork and great sportsmanship. We are feeling very proud of our Petone Central Team!

A big thank you to all our helpers with transport and especially Whāea Liz and Mātua JD for helping run things with Whāea Katie.

Congratulations to Shalom and Autumn for receiving 'Player of the day Spirit awards!'

#### Results:

Year 7 & 8

1 draw, 5 wins

Year 5 & 6

1 draw, 2 wins and 3 loses



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Thank you!

