



PETONE CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Wednesday 29th June, 2022

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Reminders:

- Please bring a jacket for wearing outdoors.
- Juicies for sale every Monday and Friday lunchtimes \$1 each.
- Please download SkoolLoop from the App store to receive our newsletter and other information straight to your device.

*Mā te kimi ka kite,
mā te kite ka mōhio,
mā te mōhio ka mārāma.*

*Seek and discover.
Discover and know.
Know and become enlightened.*

*Little hugs
can dry big tears.
Little candles can light
darkness. Little memories
can last for years. It's
the little things that
bring the greatest
Happiness.*

Principal's Message:

Kia ora Whānau

Last week classes celebrated Matariki, remembering those we have lost, the wishes we have for the present, and the desires we want for the future.

Matariki passed its cycle this week, and it has been a welcoming time for all.

In our last pānui we mentioned that there are still students on our school grounds at 3.30pm. Please whānau, school finishes at 3pm, and all students (unless attending after school care) need to be out of the school grounds by 3.15pm. We as staff often have meetings after school, and are not always guaranteed to be onsite.

After school care is available if that is an option for you.

A reminder that 3 way conferences are next week, Monday the 4th and Tuesday the 5th of July.

School will close at 12.30pm on both days. After school care will be running, but you will need to make contact with them directly (vai@thekidslounge.co.nz, 0223554434).

Omicron and COVID symptoms are still present in our community. Please make sure that if your child is symptomatic with cold/flu-like symptoms, please keep them at home. We have been sending children home as they are coming to school sick. We all need to be extra vigilant with Winter upon us.

Keep warm and stay safe Whānau

Māuri ora
Whāea Trina- Tūmuaki.

Our Value:

RESPECT

- Self
- Others
- Environment



House Points:

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

Term 2 Points so far:

Kea: 941

Weka: 914

Ruru: 951

Celebrations:



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

- Rebekah
- Zhenxiao

Important Dates for Term 2:

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th July: Parent-Teacher Meetings

School closes at 12.30pm on these days.

Tuesday 5th July: Westpac Chopper fundraiser

Friday 8th July: Last day of Term 2

Monday 25th July: First day of Term 3

Mihi (Thanks):

A very big mihi to those local businesses who have supported our Skool Loop app. It is with their generosity that we are able to utilise this app, so from our Kura to you all, thank you so much!

Petone Central School

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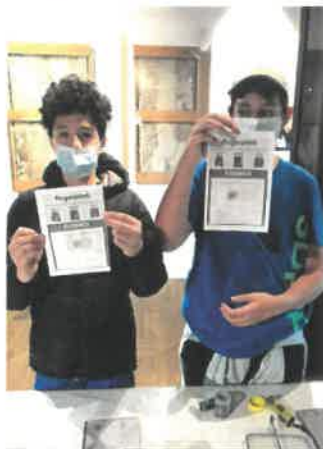
Photolife (the company that took our school photos) have informed us that emails have been sent out to parents with a unique code for you to log on and view your child's photos and order if you would like to.

We have heard that some of these emails are ending up in junk email folders, so please do check your junk folder if you have not yet received an email from Photolife.

If you still cannot access your child's photo, please do contact our school office and we will sort this for you.

Police Museum Trip:

This term our senior students, as part of their careers education, have undertaken some learning about forensics science, first studying in class and then finishing with a trip to the The Police Museum. At the Museum they undertook a learning session about fingerprinting, where they learnt to lift and study fingerprints!



Matariki:

All of our classes undertook some learning about Matariki last week. Students learnt about what Matariki is, the names and meanings of the stars in the cluster, how to find the star cluster in the night sky, and how different people celebrate Matariki. Classes also read a range of books, legends and researched information about Matariki.

Below is some of the learning undertaken to celebrate Matariki at school.



MATARIKI

Matariki is the star that is connected to reflection, hope, our connection to the environment and the gathering of people. Matariki is also connected to the health and wellbeing of people.



HIWA-I-TE-RANGI

Hiwa-i-te-rangi is connected to the promise of a successful season and is the youngest star. It is to Hiwa-i-te-rangi that Māori would send their dreams and desires for the year in the hope that they would be realised.



Waita

Waita is one of the 9 visible Matariki stars

Waita is twins with Waiti and is also the 5th oldest Matariki star

Waita is the star that is connected to salt water and its creatures

Waita also watches over Te Moana-nui-a-kiwa and Te Tai-o-Rehua

Waita is positioned to the left of Waiti and slightly down



Waiti

Waiti is the star of rivers and living things in the river and she is a female. Wai means water in Maori. Waiti is the 4th oldest star out of the sisters and brothers. She is connected to the freshwater not saltwater. Waiti and Waita are twins. Her mother is Matariki





Our school is 140 years old, and as Matariki is recognised as a Public holiday this year. It was fitting that Whāea Ria made a Rau aroha (gift) to give back to our school.

Our tamariki were given a piece of calico to draw something that resonated with them. Whāea Ria then took all the pieces (including mahi from staff) and presented this Rau aroha quilt, which was accepted by the students above.

The story behind the quilt is as follows:

School colours include green and blue, and these are balanced out in the corners of the quilt. Additional panels in between the work of our tamariki, represent all the different cultures within our school.

Taha Māori:

- Silver Fern- representing all those who have gone through residency to become NZ Citizens.
- Multi panel- woven harakeke (flax) our kura (school) is multicultural and we weave in every part of life and sustain our tamariki with knowledge, so that when they get older, they are able to pass their knowledge on also.
- Tukutuku- never ending journey- their time at school may be limited by time (Year 1-Year8) but their connections with our kura (school) will be ongoing.

Every tamaiti (child) Kaiako/KaiTari, are built into this and as the years go on and new students join, they will be able to join the quilt too.

Mānawatia a Matariki, ngā mihi aroha ki a koe Whāea Ria ❤️

Petone History (Part 3):

Petone Central School has been a local school since 1882, our school roll being supported hugely by local industry. For many years, workers and their families called Petone home, living in a thriving community. Petone was a working class town with large industrial businesses, including several car assembly plants, a meat processing plant, a wool processing plant, a tobacco factory, Palmolive and Unilever factories, and a railways yard. The majority of these businesses were started very early in Petone history and many continued until the 1970's/1980's. One remnant of this industrial history is Petone wharf, which was originally built to quickly transport meat from Gear Meat Works to Wellington ready for export.



Jackson Street - Early 1900's



Railway Workshops/Yards



Woollen Mills



General Motors



Gear Meat Works



Unilever Factory



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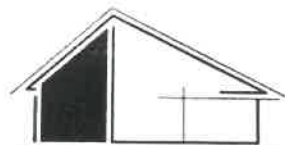


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