



Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

from the Principal

Reporting to parents

Many thanks for the great turnout to the learning conferences last week. After the distance learning experience, teachers certainly appreciated the opportunity to hear your insights and share with you how students have settled back into school and are moving forward with their learning.

As previously mentioned, the period of distance learning has meant we have to adapt the way we do our interim progress report, especially with such close proximity to the learning conferences. It will provide summary statements of progress, make links to the learning conference conversations and to examples of rich learning tasks that students will bring home to share with you. This report will come home on the final day of the term.

Feast Day Mass and Open Morning

We warmly invite you to our Feast Day Mass on Monday 29 June at 9.15am and to a cup of tea in the hall afterwards. Following morning tea, the classrooms will be open for parents and grandparents to visit. We'd love you to come in, have a chat to the children and let them show you around their class and area.

Ngā mihi
Kay Tester

Tuesday 16 June 2020

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Congratulations and farewell

We congratulate Michelle Nixon on her appointment as Deputy Principal to Dyer Street School. Michelle has been a wonderful Leader of Rata Area over the last 3 ½ years and an integral part of the school's leadership team. Her positive can-do attitude will be much missed by everyone.

Many thanks Michelle for everything you have done in your time at our school, particularly for the care and dedication you have shown to the students of Rata. We wish you well for your exciting career move.



Feast Day Mass

Monday 29 June 9.15am

in the Church

Parents/Whanau are welcome

Special Character

During this week the Christian Service Leaders will be leading prayers in Kowhai (Friday) and Nikau (Tuesday). They have planned, prepared and are looking forward to sharing and participating in prayers. Each pair has focused on a theme, included quotes or scripture, music or an activity for students to experience. Here are a few songs the Christian Service Leaders used [Let it Shine](#), [Thank you Lord for Making Me](#) and [Praise Ye the Lord](#). You might take time out of your day to think about the way you pray with your child or ask how they pray in class.

Today's theme

We are so happy to be doing prayers with you, today's theme is... your shine and how you show it!



Preference Certificates

Parents wishing to apply to Catholic Schools and Colleges, certificate signing is at the **SSPP Parish Office** Wed 24 June and 1 July. **3pm-5pm or 630-730pm.** Baptism certificates of children or parents must be brought along for obtaining approval of preference.

Following the **Footsteps** of **Jesus**



SCHOOL UPDATES



Please check the box in the tunnel between Kowhai and Nikau for any items that belong to your child/ren before the end of the term. Thank you.

**LOST
PROPERTY**



Change of personal circumstances

To ensure we keep our records up to date, it would be most appreciated if parents could inform the office of any change in personal circumstances. Sometimes this might be shared with teachers for pastoral care of children which is most important and appreciated. However details regarding changes of address etc are best emailed directly to the office [click here](#). Many thanks.

Sports

CROSS COUNTRY Y4 & 8

Tuesday 23rd June we will be completing our selection process for the School Cross Country team for early Term 3. This will also involve our participation once around the Hutt Rec for those not trialling for the Zone Cross Country. Year groups will just come to the Hutt Rec for their particular events. Please note all times are approximate and depend on the completion of the event beforehand.

Year 7,8 - 9.15am
Year 4 - 10 am
Year 5 - 10.45 am
Year 6 - 11.30



Students who meet the qualifying times from the competitive event will take part in the Zone event on 4 June. From there qualifiers move to Interzone on 18 August with Regionals on September 8.

SWIMMING

Swimming Trials- Year 4 to 8

We are taking our more able swimmers to the Huia on Friday 19 to complete our timings for the school team to enter our Zone Sports in Term 3

All of these students have been spoken to and their parents have received an email with details.

Our Zone swimming is Friday 24 August and Interzone Friday 4 September

BASKETBALL

Basketball will begin with grading games next week and the competition will begin in Term 3.

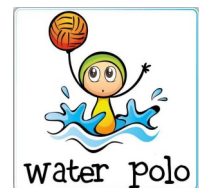
NETBALL

Begins for Year 7,8 on 20 June and Year 5,6 on 22 June. Year 3,4 begin next term.



WATERPOLO

We are entering the Year 5,6 competition to be held on Wednesday evenings at Stokes Valley Pool in Term 3.



SCHOLASTIC

Your child brought home 'issue 3', of the scholastics brochure. Orders are to be placed online at mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz using LOOP (Linked Online Ordering and Payment for Parents).

Orders cannot be made through the school

When ordering, to find our school you will need to enter the school's postcode '5010' and/or our school's name 'St Peter and Paul School'. All online orders will be sent directly to the school and given to your child.

Closes 4pm Friday 19 June

Warm Jackets

With the weather taking a decidedly colder turn could we please ask that children bring a warm jacket to school with them every day, even if it's just in case they need to put it on while they play outside before school or during the breaks. Thank you.



Kōwhai

1-7

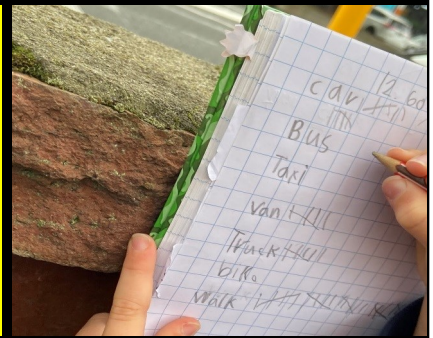
Cars



Exploring



Room 1, 2 & 3 have been exploring statistics the last couple of weeks. They have had to pose questions, plan, gather data, present information, analyse and form a conclusion. In the photos you can see some of the students investigating the different types and coloured cars that come past the school.



Investigating



Data



Nikau

8-11

Mrs Spink recently visited our area and shared the Māori Creation Story with us. We really enjoyed listening to her tell the story of Ranginui and Papatūānuku. Following her visit, Room 8 created a collaborative art piece to retell the story. Each student was given a different part of the story to create. We used a variety of techniques on our individual pieces, including watercolour paints, pastel and dye, and collage.



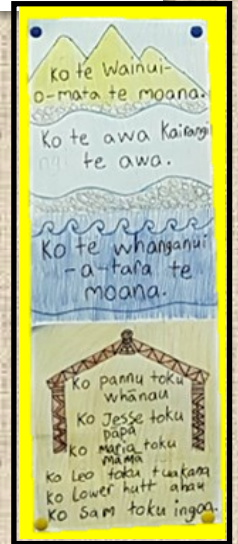
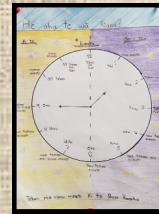
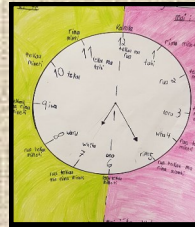
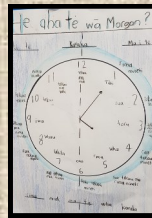
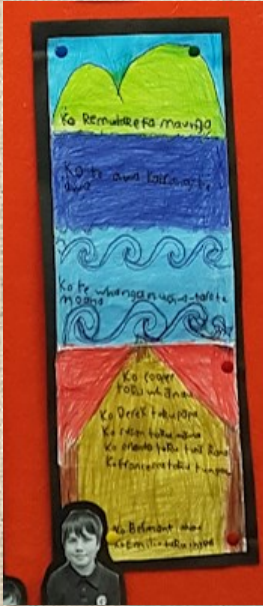


Pōhutukawa

12-15

Students in Pohutukawa have continued to build on their Te Reo Maori language skills. They completed a pepeha that introduces themselves, people and places that are important to them. Rooms 13 and 14 have enjoyed learning from Mrs Spink to count in Maori by playing bingo and responding to He Aha te Wā - What is the Time?

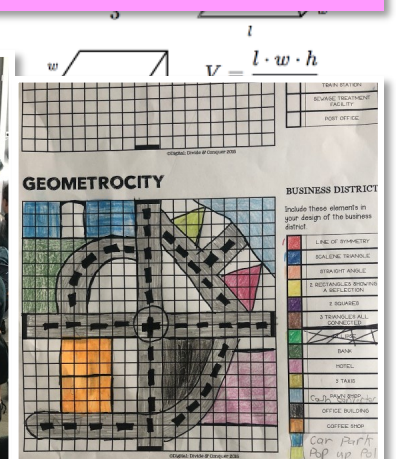
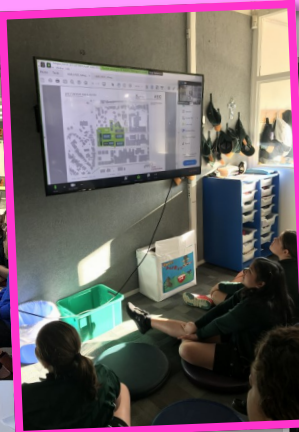
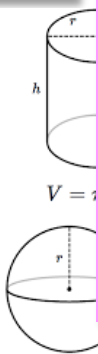
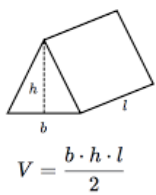
For our Arts focus the students are having a lot of fun improving their photography skills by learning how to take different types of photos. They will use these to create a specific piece of work to share with their families at the end of the term.



17-19 Rātā

In Maths, Rata Area has been working on Geometry. We have been learning about shapes and geometric terms and working collaboratively to design and build our own cities. To help inspire us, we Zoomed with Andre, an Architect from Designgroup Stapleton Elliot.

Andre spoke to us about his journey to become an architect that included long hours and sleepless nights to get to where he is today. He showed us projects that he's been working on, such as apartment buildings that are currently being built in Wellington City. We were shocked that some of his projects have taken him and his team 3 years to design and plan. We loved seeing the design process he goes through, how closely he works with the council, and the things he has to consider when designing buildings. We left the meeting feeling very inspired for our Maths' projects and some of us have even settled on a new career path. Rata Area now can't wait to share our finished cities with you at the end of the term. Thanks, Andre, we loved speaking with you!



PTA

EVENTS

PTA AGM will be held on **Wednesday 24 June - 7pm** in the staffroom. Everyone welcome! We will be appointing President, Treasurer and Secretary of the PTA and discussing upcoming PTA events.

For further information on any of the PTA roles you can email pta@stpeterpaul.school.nz

PTA Facebook Page

Keep up with all the latest school community and fundraising events by joining the PTA Facebook page



[click here to join PTA Facebook](#)

Entertainment Book



Entertainment has gone 100% digital, this year there are no physical books available to purchase.

All new memberships are valid for 12 months from date of activation rather than 1 June as in previous years.

Your support is gratefully appreciated. Click on the link to purchase your copy.

[Click here to order your copy](#)

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Absences

parents/caregivers call between 7.30-9.00am extn 1 if your child will be absent or late

Information line

for up to date school activities and cancellations use extn 2

Contact the School

School Policy & Procedures

Login details are on the Parent Portal under About Us

Parent Portal

etap@school parent portal
etap@school app
(forgot your password contact Lisa in the school office)

Thank you for your ongoing support
Mā te Atua koutou e manaaki, e tiaki hoki
May God bless and care for you
Kind regards **Kay Tester - Principal**

