



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

from the Principal

Many thanks for your support as we remain at Alert Level 2 until 11.59 this evening. This has been a clear and, thankfully, short reminder of how important it is to maintain the health measures that keep us safe. The move back to Alert Level 1 does remove some restrictions but we must all keep going with the basics – stay home if you're sick, get tested if you're displaying symptoms and scan everywhere you go.

Learning Conferences

We are keen to have 100% turnout for our learning conferences over the next two Thursday afternoons and evenings. The on-line booking system has closed but you are most welcome to make an appointment time by ringing the school office.

At the learning conferences you will receive a modified written report that will include:

- A summary statement of where your child is achieving in relation to curriculum levels in reading, writing and mathematics
- A summary of the learning that has been shared during the term and at the learning conference
- An RE comment
- A statement written partly or completely by students, depending on their year level. Students have been encouraged to reflect on themselves as a learner and young person; to identify their strengths and areas they want to develop more. They have been encouraged to think about challenges they may have faced and what they want to focus on as well as highlight successes throughout the term.

We appreciate there may be quite a lot to digest at the learning conference with teachers talking, students sharing their learning, parents sharing and asking questions and a written report, albeit modified, to take on as well. However we hope you find them interesting and informative. You will also be given a diagram to take home which clearly shows how curriculum levels typically relate to years at school should you need further clarity about this.

Farewells to staff

You will have received the news of Kirsty leaving in an email sent home yesterday. Next term will also see changes to our teaching staff as we will be farewelling Patty Hayley (teacher in Rm 9) mid way through the term. Patty is an incredibly talented teacher who has also held a number of leadership roles; currently responsible for the library and our Seasons for Growth programme. Patty has also generously shared her strong Catholic Faith, contributing significant depth to our efforts to be an authentic Catholic School.

Both these wonderful women are going to be very hard to replace and we are incredibly grateful for their years of dedicated service to the school and wish them all the best for the exciting journey ahead as they take on their new roles and share their many talents beyond our school.

Special Character

Happy Feast Day!

Today is the Feast of Ss Peter & Paul. Normally we would have celebrated Mass and enjoyed our traditional Feast Day concert. Level 2 restrictions have meant these events will now take place next Tuesday.

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

Tuesday 29 June 2021

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New Entrant Blessing

Friday 2 July
9.15am
in the church

Last day of Term 2

Friday 9 July
School finishes
2.50pm



SCHOOL UPDATES

Paid Union Meetings

Ss Peter & Paul School teachers who are members of NZEI Te Riu Roa have attended paid union meetings over 3 afternoons last week, with some attending on-line following the move to Level 2.

The purpose of these meetings is for teachers to discuss the priorities for the renegotiation of their collective agreement in 2022. Issues being discussed, such as school staffing levels, directly impact on the education of your children. These meetings are a critical component of the negotiation process and it is the legal right of all members to attend a meeting and have their say.

Thanks to our teachers who all adjusted their programmes and covered each others' classes to minimise disruption, and ensure that the school remained open.

In School Sports

CROSS COUNTRY

Apologies to Milana Burt who also qualified for the recent Interzone event - I missed her off the list.

She and the following then went on to qualify for the Interzone - Olive Hall, Jane Doyle, Connie Reed, Gwen McGrath, Rylee Page, Samuel McGrath, Lydia Cumming and Ella Sparrow. Congratulations to them all on qualifying.

Unfortunately, following a policy the regional group established last year around covid, the organisers - Primary Sport Wellington - have had to cancel the event. It may be replaced by an invitational which these runners can apply to enter.

Out of School Sports

NETBALL, WATERPOLO and MINIBALL

All of these sports continue into Term 3 and there are no new registrations being accepted.



Excess Uniform Items

Families over the last 6 months have kindly donated school uniform items to be used as spare clothing. We do however, have quite an excess now and would like to offer these to our school community. Items will be set up in Room 16 (*sKids before/after school care*) on Tuesday 6 July from 8.30am-2pm. Our community supporting our families.



SCHOOL LUNCHES

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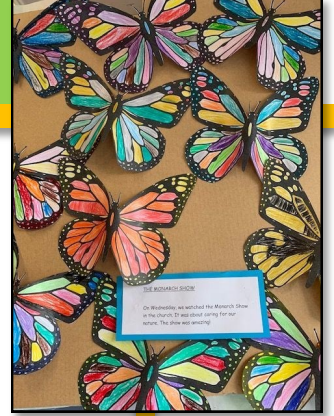
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Monarch Show

MONARCH is a theatre show that mixes vivid characters, comedy, and physical theatre. It is about butterflies, scientists and the environment.



The Monarch Show is all about caring for our nature and not just about building. It was a great show. I like the way the people changed into different characters so fast. **Siena**

The Monarch Show was cool. The characters were funny. I liked the caterpillar character the best. **Samuel**

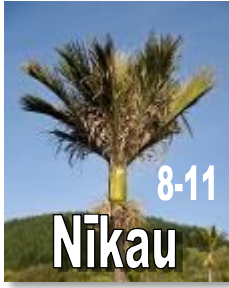


The Monarch Show was great. How did they balance on top of each other without falling off? It was awesome! **Hudson**



I liked the Monarch Show because it was about caring for our nature. The actors changed into many characters. **Gabby**





Nikau students have been making the most of fine days to skip for fitness. We have been rotating in our class groups for two seven minute intervals each day. We skip with long ropes, with a buddy, with hoops and practice new tricks. Some of us couldn't skip at all when we first started but after a few days and consistent effort, we have made significant progress.



Fitness

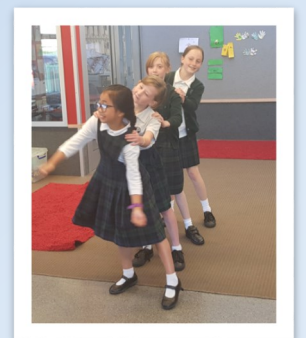


*I am getting better at all kinds of skipping, it has become one of my favourite activities. **By Esme***

*I have got really good at skipping, I couldn't skip at all before. **By Noah***



Sixteen Pohutukawa students have choreographed dances that they will perform at the Dancefest, which has been postponed until next week. The Dancefest is a new Give it a Go dance event where students learn a combination of 10 dance moves and have a choice of 5 songs. They choreograph at least 8 of these moves into a routine which they do a 1 minute presentation of as a group on the performance night to the music they chose. The students' creativity and commitment has been amazing and we have been really impressed by how hard they have worked.





Rata learned about the Digestive System - we watched a video and did an experiment:

The tools we used were:

- . 1/3 of a banana
- . 1 cream cracker
- . 1 paper cup (with a hole in the bottom)
- . 50ml water
- . Orange juice
- . Sealable plastic sandwich bag
- . Scissors
- . A stocking (or one leg cut from a pair of tights)
- . Paper towels, and a plastic or aluminum tray

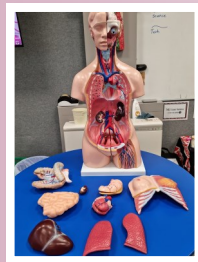


This is what we had to do:

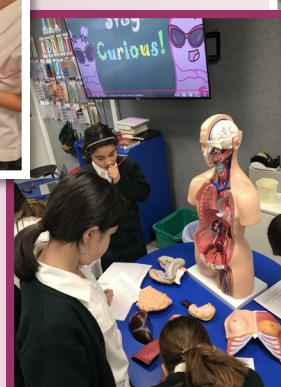
Place the cream cracker, banana and orange juice (which represents stomach acid) into the plastic sandwich bag. The bag represents the stomach. Add the water, which represents saliva, then squeeze all the air out and seal the bag. Squeeze the bag for 2 or 3 minutes to smash up the mixture inside. This mimics the action of our stomach walls when breaking down food.

Place the sandwich and stocking over the tray. The stocking represents the small intestine. Squeeze the food through the stocking. The liquid that ends up in the tray represents the nutrients that are absorbed by the body and used for growth and energy. The food that remains inside the stocking represents the waste that isn't absorbed.

Cut the toe off the stocking and squeeze the remaining food out the end and into the plastic cup. The cup represents the large intestine. Finally push the food {waste} through the bottom of the cup. This represents going to the toilet and expelling the waste!



Fun fact
 Did you know that the digestive system converts the foods we eat into their simplest forms, like glucose (sugars), amino acids (that make up protein) or fatty acids (that make up fats). The broken-down food is then absorbed into the bloodstream from the small intestine and the nutrients are carried to each cell in the body. *By Marita and Shakira*



PTA

EVENTS

Thank you to our school community for supporting our recent fundraiser, Jessie's Roti and Butter Chicken Sauce. We had a great response and will look to hold this fundraiser again next year. The next PTA Meeting is **Wednesday 30 June, 7pm in the staffroom**. We really need more people on the committee as we have a number of long-term members leaving us soon.

Please come along and see how you can be involved in organising fun events for our school community.



Entertainment Book

More ways to enjoy everyday!

Entertainment Book is completely digital and runs for 12 months from the date of activation. Books are available for New Zealand and Australia so if you are travelling grab yourself a single city or multi city membership and unlock some amazing savings while at the same time supporting our school!

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PTA Facebook Page

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Absences

parents/caregivers call 7.30-9.00am ext 1 or via School [website](#) if your child will be absent or late

Information line

for up to date school activities and cancellations use extn 2

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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**



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