

# Ss Peter and Paul School

Newsletter Tuesday, 9 November 2021

## Kia ora Parents and Caregivers,

All things going well it looks likely we will be able to finish the school year onsite and in Level 2, hopefully moving to Orange on the new Traffic Light framework some time in the new year when 90% of eligible New Zealanders are fully vaccinated.

### Schools Vaccination Order process for volunteers (eg parent help)

Previously I have mentioned the Government's decision that all staff and workers who may have contact with children and students in schools and kura must have had a first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine by 15 November and be fully vaccinated 1 January 2022.

This requirement extends to people who are working for the school, which may be unpaid work such as volunteering. In instances where parents or caregivers volunteer to help at school and are regularly on site when children and students may be present, these parents will be required to be vaccinated.

The vaccination requirements apply on the school site and also at school camps, swimming pools, museums, or where other Education Outside the Classroom programmes take place. This means that both staff and volunteers who are involved in EOTC should have had a first vaccination by 15 November and be fully vaccinated by 1 January 2022.

Please be assured that as for our paid workforce, the required contact and vaccination information requested of all volunteers will be compiled and stored securely. We are very hopeful that you won't let this put you off volunteering as your help is invaluable for our students and staff.

In instances where parents and caregivers are **not** providing work for our school,

you are still permitted to attend on site after **Monday 15 November** whether you are vaccinated or not. This includes those parents and caregivers who are dropping off, picking up or settling children at school.

Schools have been advised that in these instances we do **not** need to ask for vaccination status. Rather we continue to give consideration to the range of health and safety mitigation that we already have in place at Alert Level 2.

For example:

- Don't hold any large events and activities, including those that bring parents and caregivers onsite
- Ask that people wear a face covering when coming on-site or when waiting outside where students congregate
- Encourage physical distancing of two metres where practicable from people you don't know
- Consider whether engagement with parents and caregivers can be held outside rather than inside
- Hold meetings which do need to go ahead via Zoom, Teams or similar
- If it is necessary to meet onsite, ensure the room being used is spacious and well ventilated
- Ensure hand sanitiser is available indoors
- Reiterate that anyone who is not feeling well should not come onto the school site and encourage them to seek advice about getting tested.

Many thanks for your ongoing understanding and support as we follow the Public Health guidelines to keep your children safe while on and beyond our school site.

*from the Principal*

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## This Issue

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## Events

**Wednesday 10 November**  
BOT Meeting 7pm-9pm  
Rata - Shakespeare

**Friday 12 November**  
Kiwi Hoops

**Tuesday 16 November**  
Dowse Trip Rm10/11

**Tuesday 16 November**  
Dowse Trip Rm8/9

**Friday 19 November**  
Kiwi Hoops

# Special Character

## Sacramental Programme 2021

Preparation Session 2 - Sunday 14 November 2:00pm, Church

Confirmation Day - Sunday 21 November, 9:00am and 5:30pm Masses

### Confirmation Preparation Reminder:

Please continue to complete your preparation worksheets at home and bring your scrapbooks, your coloured flame and also finalise your Confirmation name on the 14th if you have not done so already. This is an important session to be at as we will have a practice for the Confirmation day.



## School Photos

School photos went smoothly last week and the students were so well presented. Many thanks! Please keep an eye on your inbox for further correspondence.

## School Uniform

Please check that all uniforms items are clearly named. This makes it so much easier for us to reunite lost or discarded items to their grateful owners.

## Student Calendars

We are so impressed by our students' calendar art this term. All contributions have been sent off and it won't be long before the art is available to preview. Be sure to keep an eye out for further correspondence regarding sales.

## PTA News

Wow! Our Basic-facts-athon has raised \$10,000 towards a new junior playground! Thank you school community and sponsors for your support, particularly in these unusual times. Teachers reported a high level of student engagement with basic facts practice and excellent results in the quiz. Well done everyone! If you have not got your sponsorship money in yet, it is not too late. You can still pay into the PTA bank account or drop your money into the school office.

To finish off the school year, the PTA will be holding their annual end of year celebration sausage sizzle on Friday 10th December, more details to come.

Our last PTA meeting for the year is on Wednesday 24th November, where we will farewell some long term members. Our Committee is now in desperate need of new members to carry on organising fun community events for our school, as we have a number of parents in their last year at Ss Peter & Paul School. If you have ever thought of how you can give back to the school or be more involved, the PTA is a great opportunity to do this. We would love to see you at the meeting, all welcome!

Have you joined the PTA Facebook group yet? Stay up-to-date with school community events by joining our page!

# Kowhai

## Our Learning

This week Kowhai has been learning about the language of position and orientation. We have been using words like forwards, backward, turn left/right to direct our friends around the classroom. In doing this, we have had to practise our listening skills as well as rotating and moving our bodies in the right directions to avoid obstacles! We even created our own code for mapping through mazes!



Room 3 is learning to show position and movement through coding.



Room 1 programmed the Bee Bots to follow directions on a map.



Room 1 gave directions to a blind folded buddy - Watch out for the obstacles!



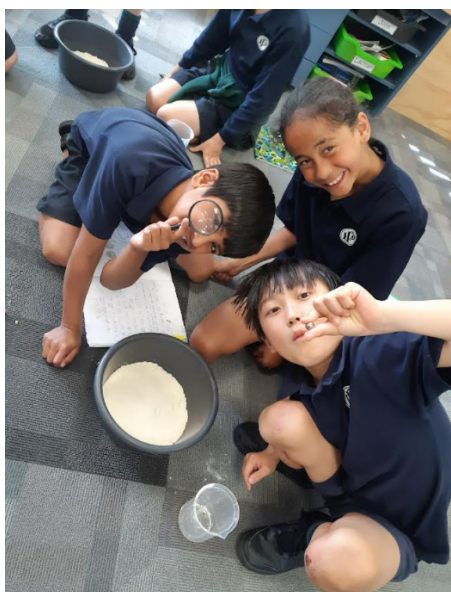
Room 7 used the maps too but also experimented creating a course with obstacles to programme into the Bee Bots.

Nikau

With curiosity and wonder Nikau continues its exploration of space, discovering more about the sun, the moon and beyond. In maths we have developed our statistical inquiry skills: coming up with questions, gathering data, analysing our data and presenting it in powerful ways. As we think about ourselves made in the image of God, we will be climbing on board the Life Education Bus focusing on how our brains control our bodies and emotions.



Balance activities for Fitness (Left)



I learned how to organise data and put it into a bar graph. It was really fun because there were no limits on how you could colour it to show the options.

Charlotte Rm 10



We got to ask lots of people our questions we had made then we counted up the numbers and showed it on a bar graph.

Harper Rm 10



# Pohutukawa

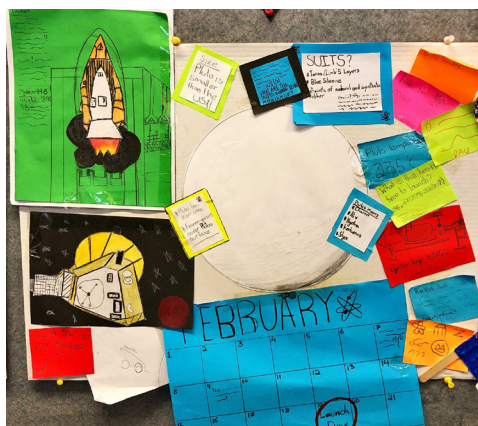
Last week, Cricket Wellington visited Pohutukawa area to lead two 'super star' sessions. These sessions provided the children with an opportunity to learn some basic cricket skills. The children had a great time playing games and practicing their bowling, batting and fielding skills.

Pohutukawa were very lucky to have Exodus's mum Edna come to our kapa haka session. She taught the children a new song in Samoan called 'Savalivali' which means go for a walk. The children impressed her with how quickly they learnt the song. We look forward to more sessions with Edna and learning all the actions that go with the song.



## Pin Boards

As part of our learning about space, Pohutukawa children also explored what it means to think like a scientist. They read about, discussed and listened to scientists and identified some of the particular attributes that scientists have. The children then had to select a scientist and work in groups to create a pin board that displayed how their chosen scientist had these attributes.



# Rata



## Basketball Skills

*By Niamh Woollett*

On Mondays we have had a trainer who helps us with our basketball skills. He teaches us different sets of skills each time we see him. So in the future we can use these different skills in sports and in everyday life.

These skills consist of dribbling and controlling the ball, shooting and using different muscles to shoot and play basketball.

We've learnt to hold a basketball, have power in our knees when shooting at the hip, following through with our muscles and finishing the shot, with a straight arm and a bent wrist.

We've used fun relay games to practise shooting from different angles and distances from the hoop.

It has been fun learning these new skills and we look forward to learning more basketball in the next few weeks.



# School Sports

On this year's athletics day the field events consisted of high jump, sprints, vortex, long jump, quoits and discus. It was fun to be able to give everything a go and learn so many new skills along the way. When all the activities were done and it was time for the sprint finals and house relay, the mood took a sudden turn from smiling, laughing & cheering. Everyone, no matter what house they were in, was screaming their hearts out, shouting house chants as loud as we could. We were determined to outdo our fellow houses. Everyone enjoyed seeing the finals, house relays and even a fun relay against a combined team of teachers and police officers! I think Athletics day was enjoyed by all year 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 students and everyone would love to do it again.

*Shannon*



We had a great day at Hutt Rec and were extremely lucky with the weather.

Usually the top qualifiers from our school event would move onto the Zone event followed by the Interzone and even the Regionals. Unfortunately due to Covid restrictions these events have all been cancelled. However we do have a number of students who would have progressed so congratulations to the following who would have made up our Zone team:

Year 8- Norrie, Jane, Gwen, Hayley, Elsa, Emily and Jordyn

Year 7- Ellie, Zephna, Niamh, Nevaeah, Aniela, Maya and Jorja

Year 6- RJ, Cooper L, Jayden, Falaniko, Toby, Zekiel, Harper, Isaac, Samuel and Kallan

Milana, Caitlyn, Erin, Connie, Grace, Charlotte, Holly and Carly

Year 5- Rylee, Sam Mc, Kaiser, Jacob, Sam M, Francesco, Charlie, Joel Mc and Boston

Olive, Roma, Katherine, Isla, Nadia, Mae and Evie

Year 4- Ellie C, Ella S, Lydia C, Isla, Ruby T, Charlotte, Ella C, Leaniva, Lydia G, Lotte and Brenna

Gerrard, CJ, Hudson, DeAndrei, Reide, George, Ryan, Callum and Rithwin.

At each Year level we had students who performed well over a number of events and we acknowledge the following for their achievements as the top Athletics' performer in their Year group:

Norrie, Ellie, RJ, Milana, Rylee and Kaiser equal, Roma, Gerrard and Ella S



# School Lunches

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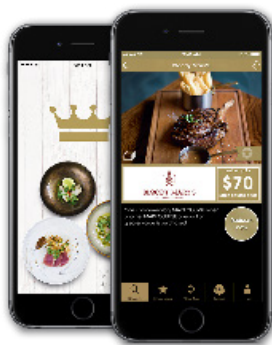
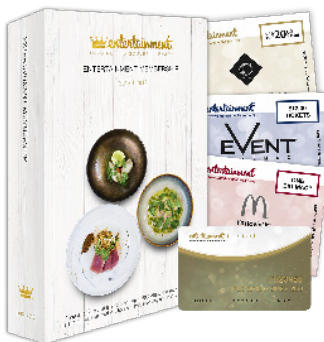
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- 1 Register an account
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- 4 Select your lunch and place an order



## Entertainment Books

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!

## Contact

School Office  
04 569 5759

To report an absence or lateness click [here](#) or phone before 8:50am - extension 1  
For up to date school activities and cancellations - extension 2

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**Rockport Allender Senior**  
Rockport's Allender weighs less than the average running shoe—and has run in two New York City Marathons to prove the shoes' comfort and durability. Constructed of full-grain leather and featuring mesh linings that help to keep you cool, the EVA footbed helps to relieve pressure from your foot, the EVA midsole provides lightweight shock absorption, and the rubber outside provides grip on nearly any surface.



**Ascent Contest Senior**  
Packed with stability features from the heel through to the midfoot, cushioned and durable for the toughest use, the Contest actively prevents fatigue. With slip resistance that is second to none, as well as great toe protection, this is the ultimate senior school shoe.



**Clarks Boston Senior**  
Boston is a classic low-cut leather senior boys' lace-up shoe with a durable, flexible sole. Features include a leather upper and a triple density removable footbed which includes a heel gel pad for superior comfort. Boston features 'Fresh Steps' technology designed with antibacterial properties to keep feet fresh all year round.



**Ascent Adela Junior and Senior**  
The Ascent Adela is a durable black leather school shoe featuring a Mary Jane style adjustable strap. The durable outside provides grip in a variety of surfaces, and the heel cushioning helps with shock absorption from young children right through to adults.



**Clarks Berkeley Senior**  
Berkeley is a classic senior boys' slip-on shoe with a durable, flexible sole. Features include a leather upper and a triple density removable footbed which includes a heel gel pad for superior comfort. Berkeley features 'Fresh Steps' technology designed with antibacterial properties to keep feet fresh all year round.



**Asics Fuji Trabuco 9 Junior and Senior**  
The Fuji Trabuco 9 is from the Asics Trail Running range but is also fantastic as a general purpose sports shoe that can be used on grass and turf. It has higher density outsole lugs to enhance stability and traction. Underfoot, midfoot GEL, and a multi-directional outsole keeps you comfortable and in control. Available in both Junior and Senior sizing.



**Asics Gel 560TR Junior**  
The Asics GEL-560TR (GS) Grade School shoe for kids is a great all-round training shoe. Ideal for every day, and a range of sporting activities, this shoe features rearfoot and forefoot GEL, for all around comfort and cushioning. It also includes a Trusstic System for robust support and stability, perfect for all growing feet.



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