

The Principals Pen



This year, two of our main academic targets are to raise the achievement levels of our learners in reading and numeracy. The teachers have been involved in ongoing professional development, which involves shifting our practice in the way we teach. On each occasion that I have met with our Pomaria community, I have reinforced the importance of the role that you as parent/caregiver can play in encouraging your child to read every day. Remember living and learning in the 21 Century means taking a much broader view to reading. It is not just reading a book any longer as our children are exposed to multimodal written texts, which contains a combination of graphics, animation, video, audio, and text. As parents, family and whanau you play a big part in your child's learning everyday, and you can support and build on what they learn at school. I encourage you to work together with us in building a good relationship with your child's teacher, finding out how your child is doing and working together to support their next learning steps.

Term 1 has been busy and exciting. Thank you to all our volunteers that give of their time to help our learners and I want to encourage our community to continue to become involved in our school, your contributions make a big difference in the lives of our learners and teachers.

Next term I start my sabbatical, leaving the school in the capable hands of my Senior Management team. Donna Nee will be acting principal, Sue Wilson our assistant principal and Vikki Rihari who will be acting assistant principal. I know that term 2 will once again prove to be a busy term with the building renovations in progress and our learners participating in sporting and cultural activities.

Have a restful and safe holiday.

**Board of Trustees Meeting
16th April @ 6:00pm**

Signing Children Out of School

If you need to take your child out of school for any reason during school hours, you MUST come to the Office and sign them out.

This safety precaution is to ensure all children that leave the school grounds are accounted for and only leave with an authorized person.

Final Assembly for Term 1

19th April Whole School Assembly

Congratulations - Joel Lauvale



Congratulations to Joel for recently winning two Bronze medals at the Auckland North Regionals for Tae-kwon-do

Saturday 13th April

Stand Up For Kids

Stand Up for Kids and Protect our Schools,
Early Childhood Centres and Kindergartens

March and Rally: Saturday 13th April

- * 11:00 am Gather in Queen Elizabeth Square
(bottom of Queen Street)
- * 11:30 am March
up Queen Street
- * Rally in Aotea
Square



ASB Banking

School banking will resume every Thursday morning from the start of Term 2. If you would like your child to open an ASB account the forms are available from the school office.

ABSENCE Text Number

021-952154



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2013 SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS



Step forward
Piki ake

THURSDAY 30TH MAY

The Nationwide triennial Board of Trustees elections will be held on 30th May 2013.

All Parents and Caregivers are eligible to stand for election and participate in the nomination and election process.

Te Puna - Pomaria Library

Te Puna is now open between 3.00 and 4.30 on Monday and Thursday. There is homework support available for the Learners in Te Puna.

The Mobile Library comes to Pomaria School every two weeks, on Mondays 1.45 – 2.30. The mobile library is open to the community and all you need is a library card. Come along to Te Puna and we will help you join the local public library online.

There is an online great resource that our community can access and it is

Website www.sunshineonline.co.au

User Name: **sunshine 2013**

Password: **newzealand**

**All Learners who visit Te Puna after school
MUST come with an adult.**

Community Room

We are looking for an enthusiastic parent or community member to volunteer their time in our Community Room.

This person will work with our Deputy Principal and help co-ordinate courses and community based events

If you would be interested in learning more about this position please see Whaea Donna or call the Office 836-4919

Church Unlimited
Friday Fun Night 2013

Our first Friday Fun Night will be
Friday April 12th

For more information call 8361294
or
kids@churchunlimited.co.nz

Last Day of Term 1
19th April @ 2:45pm

First Day of Term 2
6th May @ 8:55am

More information will be coming home with your child shortly soon



Descriptive Writing by Room 17

The Easter Egg by Georgia

The Easter Egg is sweet and small. It is so brown because it's chocolate.

The Easter Egg is an oval just the same as a rugby ball. The Easter Eggs are crinkly when you take the colour foil off.

The Easter Egg is so smooth and solid. The egg is hard when you are touching it. The Easter Egg is yum and soft to eat.

The Easter Egg by Liquan

The Easter Egg was hard and sweet. When you take the foil off it makes a tinkly sound. It is small like a rugby ball and is solid like a rock.

In the middle it is soft like a cushion.

The Easter Egg by Haydn

The Easter Egg is brown and soft and Yum! It is delicious! It is an oval shape. It has foil for the wrapper and the Easter Egg is made of chocolate.



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