

Upcoming Events

Friday 4 September	Assembly (Swimming Sports Certificates) Nikau & Yr 2 Swimming
7-11 September	Aims Games
Monday 7 September	5.30: BoT Meeting
Wednesday 9 September	Year 7 Immunisations
Friday 11 September	Onesie Day Gold Coin Fundraiser Nikau & Yr 2 Swimming
14-18 September	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori Week
Wednesday 16 September	Y3/4 & Y5/6 Girls Futsal
Thursday 17 September	Y3/4 & Y5/6 Mixed Futsal

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Kia ora e te whānau

Kia ora, Namaste, Talofa, Guten Tag, Nǐ hǎo, Xin chào, As-salām, Kamusta, Bula, Vannakkam, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Mālo ni, Hola, Goeie Dag, Bonjour, Sat Shri Akal, Shalom, Assalaam alaikum, Hello!

**Welcome to Our
Newest Student**

KŌWHAI: Brae N



I was really touched by the unexpected Tumuaki Appreciation surprise last week. From the beautiful paper chain of messages from parents, staff, and Tamariki, to the kind words shared by each syndicate, a fabulous slideshow, and the special song- it was a truly humbling experience. Moments like these are a wonderful reminder of the warmth, spirit, and connection that make our school such a special place to belong. Thank you to everyone involved for such a thoughtful gesture.

All the best to our AIMS Games Netball team as they head off for their big week of competition! We know you'll play with heart, show fantastic sportsmanship, and give it your absolute all!

Staff and Student Sickness

We are currently experiencing a high volume of illness across both our students and staff. Because of a wide shortage of relievers, covering teacher absences has been particularly challenging. While we always do our best to maintain normal classroom routines, there are days when we have split classes across their syndicate. We really appreciate your patience and understanding when this occurs.

To help protect our school community and keep everyone healthy, please keep unwell children at home until they are fully recovered.

Staffing Update

We are delighted to have Erica Leggett (DP & Rimu Team Leader) and Becca Allen (Rimu Release Teacher) teaching in Room 17 (formerly Rm 1) for the remainder of the year, following Dianne Khan stepping away.

Out of Zone Enrolments - 2027

Enrolment at Adventure School is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which is listed below.

The Board has determined that **up to 10 places, primarily in New Entrant/ Year 1**, are likely to be available for out-of-zone students for 2027.

- Priority will be given as per our enrolment scheme. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.
- Applications are accepted via the official online enrolment form on our website.
- If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot.
- If a ballot is required, it will be held on Monday 21 September and the outcome will be advised by Friday 25 September.
- **The deadline for receipt of online enrolments is 3.00pm, Monday 14th September 2026.**
- If you live out of zone and have a child that you would like to come to Adventure School in 2027 you must complete the online enrolment by the deadline even if you have older children currently attending Adventure School.

Applications for enrolment will be processed in the following order of priority:

First Priority:	any applicant for enrolment in a special programme. <i>(As there are no approved special programmes operating at Adventure School, this is not applicable.)</i>
Second Priority:	any applicant who is the sibling of a current student of Adventure School.
Third Priority:	any applicant who is the sibling of a former student of Adventure School.
Fourth Priority:	any applicant who is a child of a former student of Adventure School.
Fifth Priority:	any applicant who is either a child of an employee of the board of Adventure School or a child of a member of the board of Adventure School.
Sixth Priority:	All other applicants

If there are more applicants in the second, third, fourth, fifth or sixth priority groups than there are places available, selection within the priority group will be by a ballot conducted in accordance with instructions issued by the Secretary under Section 11G(1) of the Education Act 1989.

Applicants seeking second or third priority status may be required to give proof of a sibling relationship.



Primary School Leadership Awards

Congratulations to our outstanding student leaders, Tayne and Annie, who were recently recognised at the Porirua Rotary Primary School Leadership Awards! These annual awards celebrate Tamariki across our region who consistently model exceptional leadership, service, and integrity within their school communities. We are incredibly proud of our recipients for leading by example every day and representing our school with such pride. A huge thank you to the Porirua Rotary Club for hosting this special event and supporting our young leaders.



In the Spotlight

Capital Coast Pool Rescue Champs

Quinn S (Yr 6) achieved outstanding results at the Capital Coast Pool rescue championships held at Coastlands event centre recently.

The event includes all of Wellington and Wairarapa Surf Lifesaving clubs and is also open to clubs outside the area, this year Whanganui sent a strong team down to compete.

Quinn picked up 7 podium results in the Under 12 age group in both individual and relay races, whilst representing Titahi Bay SLSC.

She finished first overall for the Capital Coast area. Only Wanganui athletes bettering her on occasions in some close fought races.



A super achievement Quinn!

Te Kiwa Nui

At the beginning of August, our Pasifika Group and Kapa Haka Rōpu went to Te Kiwa Nui, an enormous cultural performance event which runs for an entire week at Te Rauparaha Arena. Our groups had been practicing with Mr. Dalton, Matua Todd and Whaea Ihipera all year in preparation for the event.

At Te Kiwa Nui, we performed, watched other groups, and we cheered each other on. When we arrived, we went to our greenroom to get ready for our performance. Once we were ready, we lined up and started walking behind the stage to get ready to perform. It was freezing cold, because it was the week when it snowed in Wellington, and we had to wait near the doors until it was our turn. Both groups gave 100% to their performances, saving our best for the big stage.

We want to thank everyone who helped support us, especially everyone who helped make our outfits and who helped us get ready on the day. We can't wait until next year!

Kaden & Mr Dalton - Room 27





Mathswell

A selection of mathematicians from Rimu and Tōtara competed in the annual MathsWell competition held at Victoria University in Kelburn recently. The competition hosts the mathematicians who are best-of-the-best from almost all schools in the greater Wellington region. Teams compete in multiple rounds of problem solving, needing to work efficiently as a team to complete as many questions as possible in the short timeframe given.

Our Rimu team of Riaan, Jake, Harriet, Cressida, Arisha and Veda were all first-time competitors and had an absolute blast on the day. The standard was extraordinarily high this year, and our team was very proud of how they competed. Our Tōtara team of Samantha, Gabi, Chloe, Brisha, Jackson and Vicky, qualified for the top "Cup" bracket this year, narrowly missing out on the top placings by only a few questions. One half of our team incredibly scored 28/28 across their two rounds of questions! This shows how tight the competition really is. Well done to all of our students for representing our school with pride.

Shane Dalton



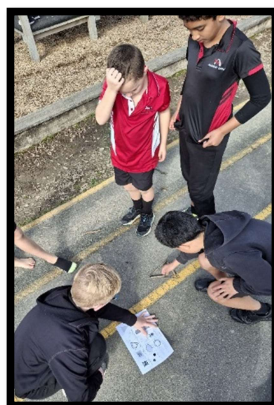
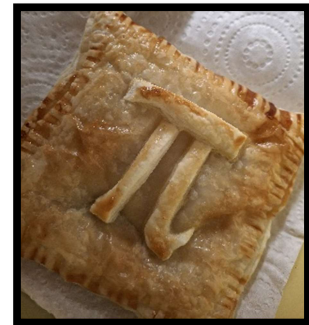
Maths Week

Math week came with many fun activities every single day. There were estimation challenges every lunch (do you know how many words there are in The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe? - see below!) and a Pi-memorising contest. Guessing all the numbers in Pi is impossible because the numbers never end, but one of my friends (Chloe) actually got 51 of the digits right. The teachers had their own Pi challenge where they tried to make the best pie - well done, Miss Wilson!

My favourite part was the Totara/Rimu Math-Ex competition. We would complete tricky problems and run around the hall. It was very enjoyable and exciting to watch the scores go up. During the competition you could not hear yourself think because of all the support and chaos. Once the 25 minutes were up, I had a look at the scoreboard to see that every team had done well with getting most questions correct. However, overall, Room 25 Green won the whole thing in Tōtara, and Room 20 won in Rimu. I think everybody enjoyed this event whether they were participating or not.

Thank you to our Math Leader, Mr Dalton, for making this week possible. And... there are 36,136 words in The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe - wow!

By Chloe, Prisha and Cody - Room 27



Coming Up

Onesie Day

Friday September 11th



Wear your
favourite
onesie!



Bring a
gold coin
donation!

Let's support
Wellington Free
Ambulance and the
wonderful support they
provide our community.



Wellington
Free Ambulance
kia ora te tangata



An event lead by our 2026 Student Leaders.

Netball

Adventure Mystics



What a great season we've had, finishing 2nd overall after a great win in the Semi-final lifting us from 4th into the final playoff for 1st & 2nd. Our Mystic's Team mixed players who were new with experienced players. We've loved the cheering from our sideline subs, and constant support from whanau and friends watching. We all worked so well together and we're very proud of the Adventure Mystics Team.

Special thanks to former student Lily, and Cath for training sessions and Tania & Jody for game day coaching & scoring.

Congratulations to our MVP, Cody Fleming, and Most Improved Player, Jordan Elimelech.

Heidi - "I think that my team has really improved over the season and we've gotten better at working together on the court".

Ava - "We've had a mixture of wins and losses, but we didn't give up and we learned how to work better as a team over the season."

Cody - "In the second half of the season everyone had a huge part in getting us into the finals."

Jordan - "It's been a really great experience playing with the team, getting better as the season progressed and making fun memories along the way."

Katelyn - "I thought our team learnt to work well together and improved heaps over the season which got us to finals."

Samantha H - "This season has gone by so fast we have improved so much on working together as a team throughout the season It has been a very fun season playing with the each other and I will miss playing with the team very much."

Julia - "We have improved a lot this season and worked together to reach the finals. It's been a lot of fun playing with this team."

Ivy - "Everyone has had a great season and we have all improved! I have really enjoyed playing in the Mystics team this year!"

Gabi - "I felt over the season we became really connected as a team. We always had so much fun together, both on and off Court."

Thank you for a great season!



Event Calendar - Important Dates



Please be aware some details may change

TERM THREE		
Week 7	Friday 4 September	10am-12pm: Nikau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming 2pm: Assembly - Swimming Sports certificates Lucky Book Club, Issue 6 orders close
Week 8	Monday 7 September	5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Wednesday 9 September	Year 7 immunisations
	Friday 11 September	Onesie Day fundraiser (Gold Coin) 10am-12pm: Nikau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming
Week 9	Wednesday 16 September	Yr 3/4 & 5/6 Girls Futsal tournament
	Thursday 17 September	Yr 3/4 & 5/6 Mixed Futsal tournament
	Friday 18 September	Interzone swimming 10am-12pm: Nikau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming
Week 10	Monday 21 September	Out of Zone enrolment applications close
	Wednesday 23 September	9am - 1pm: Tōtara History Fair
	Thursday 24 September	Yr 7/8 Rugby tournament
	Friday 25 September	10am-12pm: Nikau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming 2pm: Assembly - Rooms 8 & 18 3pm: END OF TERM 3

TERM FOUR

Week 1	Monday 12 October	READATHON (More information coming) 5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Friday 16 October	Book Character Dress up Day 2pm: Assembly
Week 2	Tuesday 20 October	Rimu/Tōtara Athletics Day (pp 23 October) 7pm: PTNi meeting. All welcome
Week 3	Monday 26 October	LABOUR DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
	Tuesday 27 October	TEACHER ONLY DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
	Wednesday 28 October	Bee Healthy Dental van onsite until 13 November
	Thursday 29 October	Adventure's Got Talent finals
	Sunday 1 November	9.30am–12pm: PTNi Working Bee
Week 4	Wednesday 4 November	Nīkau Zoo Sleepover
	Thursday 5 November	Nīkau Zoo Sleepover
	Friday 6 November	PTNi Disco
Week 5	Monday 9 November	Class, group & individual photos 5.30PM: BoT meeting
	Tuesday 10 November	Parumoana Athletics (pp 12 November)
	Friday 13 November	2pm: Assembly
Week 6	Tuesday 17 November	AFL Sport (Yrs 3–8)
	Thursday 19 November	6pm: Showcase
Week 7	Friday 27 November	Nīkau Athletics (pp 1 December)
Week 8	Tuesday 1 December	Regional Athletics (pp 3 December)
	Friday 4 December	Kōwhai Tree Trimming Library closed. All books to be returned please Parumoana Speech Competition PTNi Movie Night tbc
Week 9	Monday 7 December	5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Tuesday 8 December	Year 0/1 Battle Hill trip Nīkau Fun Day at Aotea Lagoon (pp 10 Dec)
	Wednesday 9 December	Year 2 Botanical Gardens trip
	Friday 11 December	1.45pm: Prize Giving Assembly
Week 10	Monday 14 December	2pm: End of Year Reports published
	Tuesday 15 December	Kōwhai Carol Singing
	Thursday 17 December	11am–1pm: Fun Day
	Friday 18 December	11.30am: Final Assembly 12.30pm: School finishes for 2026

2026 Term Dates

Term Three: Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

Term Four: Monday 12 October – Friday 18 December

School Closed: Tuesday 27 Oct – Teacher Only Day

School will be closed for the following Public Holidays-

Anzac Day – Monday 27 April

King's Birthday - Monday 1 June

Labour Day - Monday 26 October

Community Notices

PADDER TENNIS @ SCHOOL



IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS IN A SAFE + FUN ENVIRONMENT AT SCHOOL BEFORE STEPPING UP TO TENNIS IN STYLE!

TENNIS CAPITAL-COAST CLUB OF THE YEAR 2026

FREE padder tennis classes taught to ALL Yr 3 - 6 students Weeks 2-5 Wednesdays in Term 4

Learn how to serve + rally with your mates during school time
NEW equipment will be donated to your school

TENNIS @ WHITBY TENNIS CLUB



BEGINNER tennis classes to be held every Monday in Term 4, 4pm - 6pm
Coached by Andrew Chuah at WTC
Gain confidence from padder tennis and become a natural tennis player.
If your kids enjoyed padder tennis at school, please call Andrew on 027637392 or acecoachingandstringing@outlook.com




Porirua Judo Academy

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Peewee Judo (4-5 years)
Mon. 4.30-5pm.

Junior Judo (6-13 years)
Mon, Wed, Fri. 5-6.30pm.

Beginners always welcome.

Te Whare Tiki Food Drive



Help us support those in need by dropping off any non-perishables.

Every donation makes a huge difference thank you for supporting your community!

Drop Off Location
Te Whare Tiki Community Hub
214 - 216 Main Street, Porirua City Centre

SAT. 05.09.2026
9am - 3pm

Items Needed

- Canned Foods
- Pasta
- Dry Cans
- Coffee
- Rice
- Other Non-Perishables

WELLINGTON BRICK SHOW

SCHOOL BRICK BUILDING COMPETITION

LET YOUR IMAGINATION RUN WILD AND BUILD A FANTASY CREATION OUT OF YOUR OWN LEGO® BRICKS

Children that win will receive a special LEGO® prize and have their build on show at the Wellington Brick Show. Plus the school with the most entries will receive a special LEGO® prize too - best of luck!

HOW TO ENTER:

- Children need to build either a FANTASY CASTLE or CREATURE
- Entries are in one of four school age groups:
 - Years 1-2, Years 3-4, Years 5-6, and Years 7-8
- Entries must be less than 50cm tall, built on a baseplate of 16x16 studs or less, and must only contain official LEGO® bricks.

Once ready, take three photos of your build and upload to well-lug.nz/brickbuild by Friday 4 September and you're in the draw to win!

TE RAUPARAHĀ ARENA, PORIRUA

12-13 SEPT

TICKETS AND MORE INFO
well-lug.nz

MEGA SPRING GARAGE SALE

Sunday 20th September • 11am-3pm
Discovery School Hall, Whitty



FREE ENTRY • ALL WELCOME • CASH ONLY

Stalls • Toys • Clothing • Books • Baking • Crafts • Vinyl Records • Coffee Cart • And More!

Join us for a fun family day! Find bargains, homemade treats & more. Everyone welcome!

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME SEP/OCT 2026

POSTGATE SCHOOL

Activity	Days	Cost
FULL DAY (8AM-5:30PM)	28, 29, 30	\$65
SCHOOL DAY (8:45AM-3:15PM)	1, 2, 3	\$52
HALF DAY (8AM-12:30PM OR 12:30PM-5:30PM)	4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	\$43
EVENT DAY	10-12	\$10-\$20 Extra

BOOK ONLINE
KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ

Activities:

- Basketball Blitz:** Get ready to hit the court! Double, pass, shoot, and score your way through a day packed with exciting games, challenges, and plenty of basketball action. Bring your energy and bring the heat!
- Oodles of Noodles:** Get up for Noodle Week! Noodle Top, Noodle Master, and Noodle Ninja! Noodle Ninja Race! Challenge your coaches and for the noodle chess begin!
- Super Splash:** Join us for an awesome trip to Te Ropuwhiri, Arara, and a special surprise! Please remember to bring your swimwear, a bag lunch, drink, and a towel. \$10 extra for the day!
- League Legends:** Celebrate the spirit of rugby league with skill challenges, team games, and friendly competition to bring your team to the world's best players and nations.
- Football Frenzy:** Jump on your boots and get ready to score! Join us for an action-packed football day filled with fun games, challenges, most trophies, and plenty of goals! Plus, the Kelly Sports Award will be up and ready for action!
- Cricket Smash:** Game on, cricket fans! Join us for a day full of batting, bowling, fielding, and heaps of cricket fun. Take an exciting skill challenge, enjoy a 10-minute game, and aim to hit your way to victory!
- Switch it up:** Step outside the ordinary and try something new! From Fitness and Dance Challenges to Aerobics and more, today is all about exploring different sports, building confidence, and having fun!
- Aotea Lagoon:** Join us for an awesome trip day to Aotea Lagoon, where we will have a BBQ and an ice cream. Please remember to bring a bag lunch, drink, bottle, and a hat. \$10 extra for the day!
- Floorball Fury:** Get ready for fast-paced fun with floorball. This exciting team sport is packed with action. Kids will enjoy pass, shoot & score while building teamwork, confidence, and coordination.
- Ultimate & Patter Tennis:** Two sports, twice the fun! Learn new skills, enjoy exciting games, and challenge yourself as you throw, catch, rally, and score your way through up-and-coming action-packed day.

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Our programme is suitable for children aged 5-12 years and activities are designed to suit all children. Every entry is subject to the safety of your children and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Sports accept no liability for any injury sustained by your child or child's property.

Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received.



Hutt Valley Fencing Club Holiday Programme



8 - 9 October 2026

Children Saint James School Gymnasium
Lower Block (8am - 12 noon)
Register now for a 2 day introduction to fencing.
\$90 (includes fencing kit) or \$100 (also includes a fencing mask)
Best suits ages 7+
Electric fencing and competition at the end of the session. Give it a go!
FOR MORE INFORMATION:
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huttvalleyfencing@gmail.com

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 SAFE AND FUN OUTDOOR AREAS TO EXPLORE	 CLOSE CONNECTIONS WITH COMMUNITY AND WHĀNAU	 ALL CULTURES AT KINDERGARTEN ARE VALUED

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