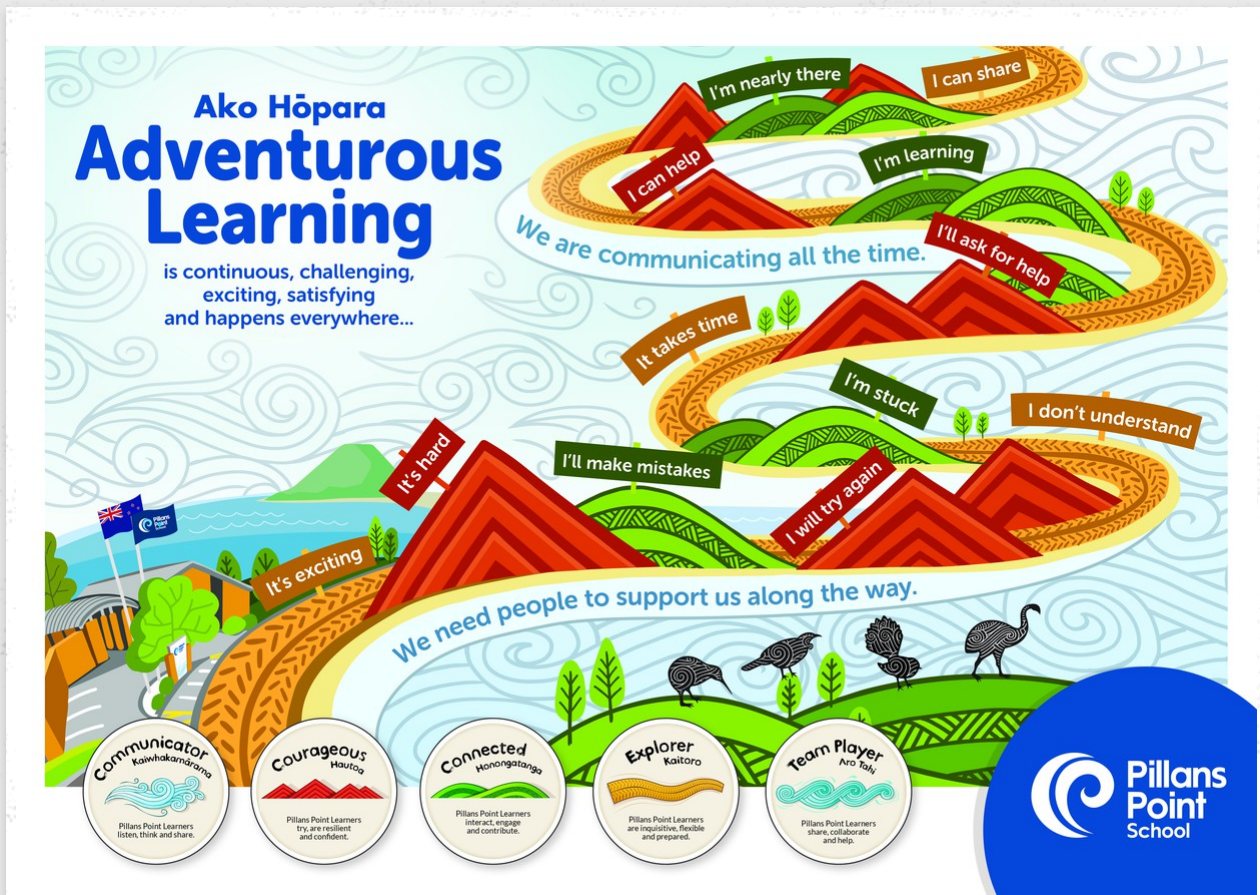


STAYING CONNECTED WITH PPS

TERM 4, WEEK 3



A MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Kia ora, Talofa, Malo e leleli, Kia orana, Fakalofa lahi Atu, Taloha Ni, Ni sa bula, 你好, Namaste, 안녕하세요, Hola, Sat Sri Akaal.

Welcome to the first newsletter of Term 4! We see a newsletter as an important part of communicating and celebrating all that is happening in our kura. After a review of how we communicate including the important feedback supplied by the community last term, we have decided to introduce a digital newsletter that will be sent through HERO three times a term.

The intent of our newsletter is to celebrate learning, and provide a quick summary of important dates for the term ahead as well as important messages from all of our stakeholders in one place.

It is hard to believe that we are already well into Term 4. There is much to celebrate already, particularly Grandparents Day and our Hāngi. It is fantastic to return to a resemblance of normality and welcome visitors onsite to share in the many experiences that our tamariki are fortunate to be part of. Thank you to the many Grandparents that were able to attend our Grandparents Day; we estimate it was the best turnout yet and thank all involved who made this day so special. Equally successful was our Hāngi which was a mammoth effort by our dedicated staff to ensure the event ran smoothly and our akonga not only were part of a special learning experience but had a delicious lunch to enjoy. Thank you to the many parents that helped out with the Hāngi proceedings as well. There are many photos on our Facebook page that capture the event.

Term 4 is a busy and exciting term for many reasons. Whilst we look to wrap up the year we are also planning for 2023. Teachers are thinking about and discussing possible class placements for the coming year. Many weeks of discussion and organisation go into these decisions and a holistic view of each learner is considered; social, academic and emotional needs. Please keep an eye on HERO in the next week as there is a google form that will be shared for you to share your thoughts about your child for 2023. Whilst we are genuine in seeking your voice, and this information will be carefully considered, we do not place students on request.

A big thank you also to our dedicated and hard-working PTA for the many ways they have supported us with their fundraising efforts and community events for both children and adults alike. For anyone interested in joining this group, their AGM is on Monday 14th November at 7.00 pm here in our staffroom. Nau mai, haere mai!

We hope you enjoy this first edition of our newsletter which will no doubt evolve as we go. Thank you for your continuing support and for ensuring the PPS community is a positive place to learn and be a part of.

Ngā mihi nui,

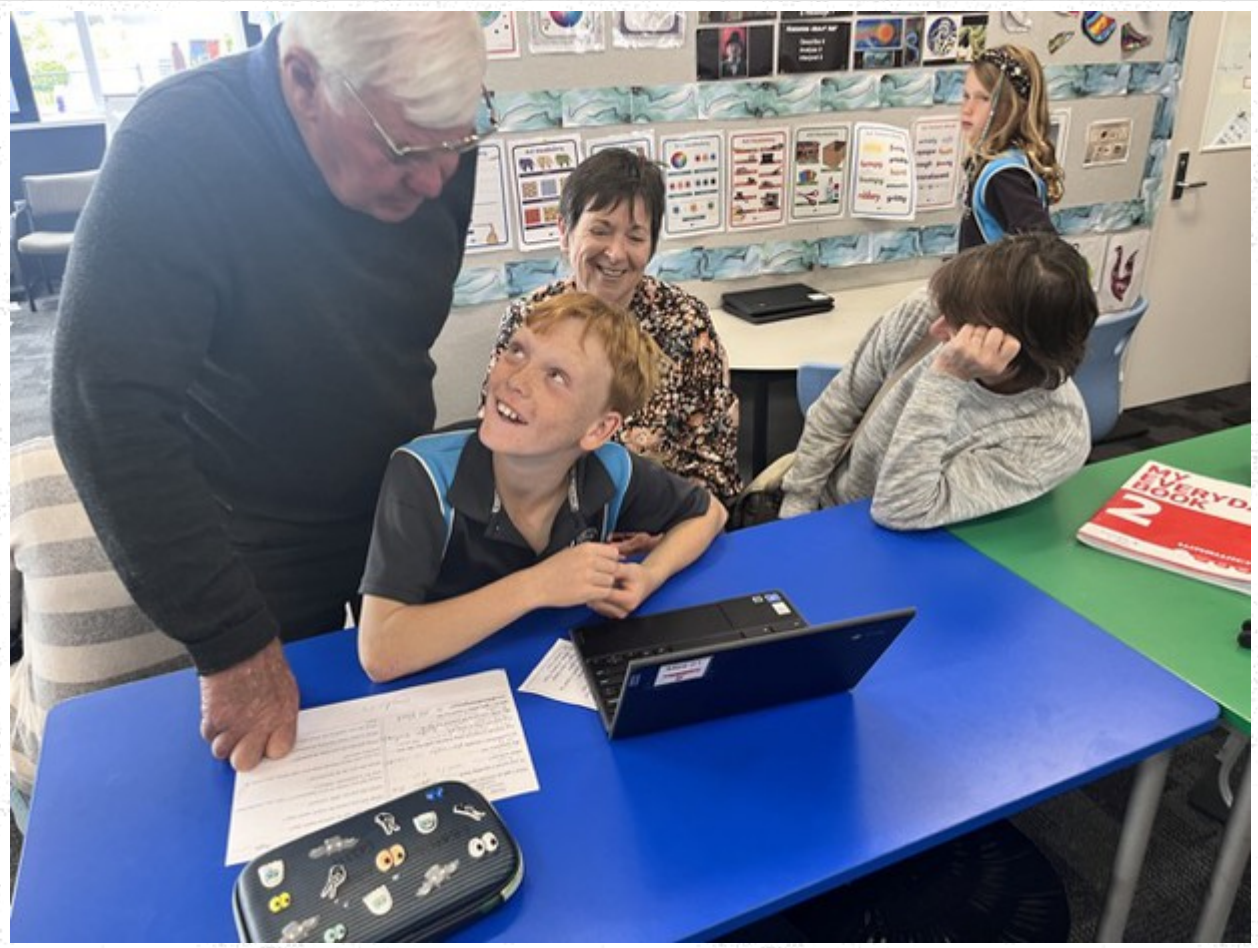
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GRANDPARENTS DAY

Grandparents day was a great success! We had such a fantastic turnout across the school. Our tamariki and kaiako loved having all the grandparents in to learn alongside their mokopuna. There was singing, dancing, creating artwork, playing old fashion games, Kahoots, car games skip roping and the list goes on...

Thanks to all the grandparents and whānau that joined in on the fun. Thanks to the PTA for helping to organise and run the kai and coffee in the hall.





HĀNGI

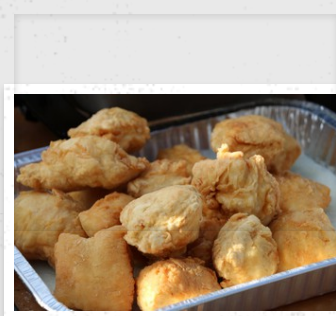
Have a look at our [Hāngi Timelapse Video!](#)

Our Hāngi was epic! We got to school at 4:00 am in the morning to light the fire and prepare the kai. The fire worked its magic and heated the rocks and steel up until they were red hot.

The Hāngi went down at 7:30 and was left to cook for 4 and a half hours. When we unearthed the kai, it was cooked to perfection.

We served up the delicious kai and we had a massive shared lunch on the field.

Thanks to all the staff and whānau that helped make our Hāngi happen.





SPORTS NEWS

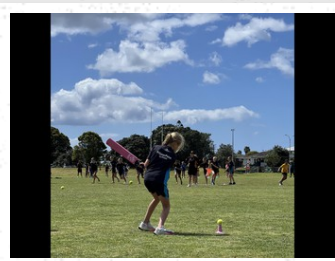
GIRLS PLAYING SPORT DAY

On Wednesday the 19th of October, 10 PPS students headed to the WBOP Girls Playing Sport Day at Blake Park.

The event was created to give girls an opportunity to try sports that they may not be exposed to otherwise and encourage them to give it a go.

On the day, our girls moved through 6 rotations that were delivered by external providers; Volleyball, Golf, Touch, Orienteering, Ripa and Cricket.

I was so impressed with their willingness to give everything a go and as you can see from the pictures, they really enjoyed themselves at this event!



ATHLETICS

Our tamariki have been doing lots of athletics learning and practising their skills to get ready for the upcoming athletics days.

Wednesday 9 November

Moa Athletics - Wharepai Domain 9:00 - 3:00

Tuesday 15 November

Tui Athletics Day 1:30 - 3:00

Wednesday 16 November

Kea/Kiwi Athletics Day 1:30 - 3:00

Wednesday 23 November

Fantail Athletics Day 1:30 - 3:00



THE JAMBUS - MUSIC LESSONS

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2022

THE JAM BUS

Information



Introducing 'The Jam Bus'

What it is:

The Jam Bus is a new, exciting, fun and innovative way to bring a 'band' style of music lessons to your school and the children around Tauranga. It conveniently serves as its very own mobile classroom, which eliminates obstacles such as classroom availability, travel time and stressed drop off/pick ups. It is created with the intention of catering to children between the ages of 5-12 years (Primary & Intermediate ages).

How it works:

Once enrolled with 'The Jam Bus', the children will be placed into a group suited to their age, where they will be given a time and day for their lesson which will remain the same each week for the whole term. The bus and Brodie will be parked up in their school, ready to begin their exciting music lesson. (This will mean that lessons can be allocated during interval, classroom and lunch hours.)

Introducing: Brodie Kelly-Killingback or "Mr Bro" (Head Tutor)

Our music tutor **Brodie** is a trusted and familiar face in the schooling community. He has prior experience teaching music to children in schools around the beautiful Bay of Plenty, and you can often catch him playing live around the Mount.



PACKAGE OPTIONS: PRICE (TERMLY)

"Let's Jam!" (Years 1-3)
 Group of up to 6 children
 45 min duration
 Instruments: Ukulele, drums, vocals, tambourine, shakers, and a variety of other percussion.
\$80

"Let's Perform!" (Years 4 and above)
 Group of up to 6 children
 45 Min duration
 This is a more advanced programme with new instruments introduced.
 Instruments: Ukulele, drums, Vocals, **Guitar, Bass** and **Microphone**.
\$200

What we do

The aim of the Jam Bus is to share our love for music to tamariki across the Bay of Plenty. Not only will children develop their skills and knowledge for playing music, the enjoyment for music will blossom which we hope will continue in their years to come.

By teaching children in groups of no more than 6 students, each child will have the opportunity to develop deeper relationships with their band mates, while having plenty of one on one time with Brodie their Tutor.

The Jam Bus brings a number of different instruments for the children to first explore and go on to gain confidence in their ability to play them well. There will always be something new to discover, keeping the lessons both exciting and engaging! This is a great starting point for children to figure out what instruments they enjoy the most. They may end up specialising in one of these instruments later on in their musical journey!

Our Foundations

The heart of the learning through music:

I'M in a band

Tamariki are developing the confidence in themselves through participating, having a go, trying something new and stepping out of their comfort zone in a fun, engaging and safe environment.

WE are a band

Tamariki develop their sense of Belonging through their interactions and time spent with the rest of their band. As they practice teamwork they will develop their relationship and communication skills, through listening, leading, sharing ideas, taking turns and being inclusive of each member.

Band PRACTICE

Tamariki experience what it looks like to practice, be consistent and work hard to achieve growth in their musical knowledge and skills. Tamariki discover that they are capable learners as they explore rhythm, keeping in time, different tempos, a variety of music and so much more!

Band PERFORMANCE

Tamariki are given the opportunity to have ownership over their new skills by performing for their peers and/or whanau. Through these performances they are learning to take pride in themselves, develop confidence, while creating memories and shared experiences with their band mates.



"Music starts here!"
 The Jam Bus

COME JAM WITH US

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KEY DATES FOR NOVEMBER

Monday 7 November

Kiwi & Kea FUNKY FUN DAY

Wednesday 9 November

Moa Athletics - Wharepai Domain
 Tui FUNKY FUN DAY

Monday 14 November

Book Fair in the Hall 8:30 - 9:30

Tuesday 15 November

Book Fair in the Hall 8:30 - 9:30
 WBOP Mountain Biking Event
 Tui Athletics Day 1:30 - 3:00

Wednesday 16 November

Moa Triathlon 9:00 - 10:30
 Koo/Kiwi Athletics Day 1:30 - 3:00

Friday 18 November

Gobsmacked Auditions for the 2023 production

Wednesday 23 November

Fantail Athletics Day 1:30 - 3:00

Thursday 24 November

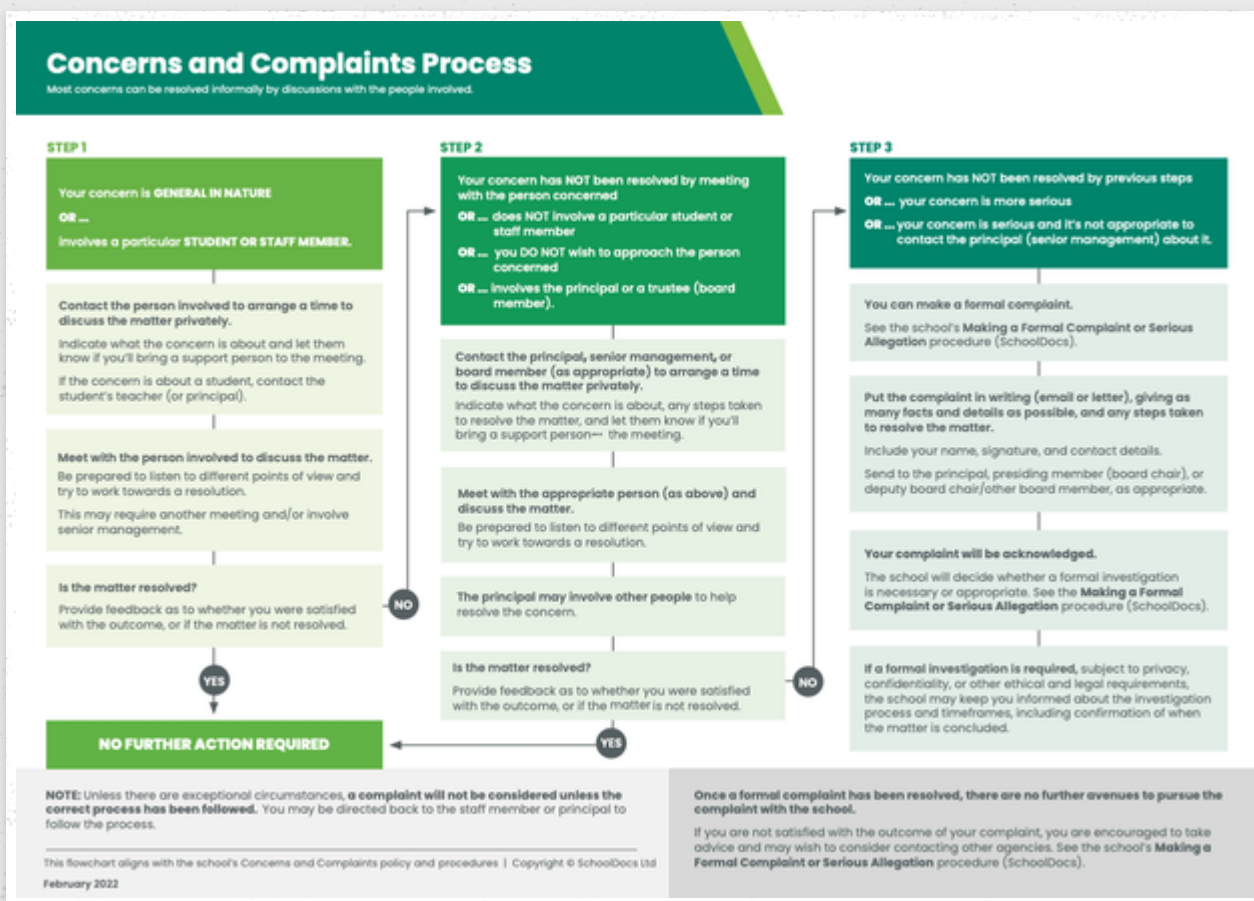
East Cluster Athletics 9:00 - 3:00

Friday 25 November

Te Rā Rēhia at Ōtūmoetai Intermediate 9:00 - 3:00

Monday 28 November

Pillans Got Talent in the Hall 1:30 - 3:00



FULL SCHOOL CALENDAR





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