

Pomare SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term FOUR - week 5  10 NOVEMBER 2023

Talofoa, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo e lelei, ʻŌʻŌ Suostei, Bula Vinaka!

Kia ora whānau,

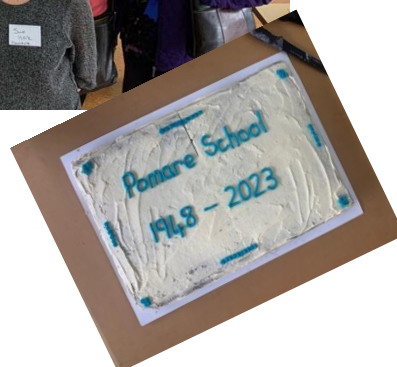
What an amazing time we all had last Friday, with our 75th Jubilee.

Throughout the day several visitors – ex students and staff – spent time at our school. Our amazing tamariki welcomed them with a mihi whakatau that included eight of our senior students sharing their mihi in their mother tongues, and lots of korero and waiata. As usual, our students showed their passion and mana as they sang.

After the hakari (tables laden with kai and espresso coffees made to order) and some time to catch up on old times, our visitors had a walk around the school, before splitting into four groups to spend time in classes. I know the children enjoyed hearing about Pomare School in the ‘olden days’.

Kapura provided extra lunches so our guests could join with the students, then the day culminated in a special assembly. There was singing, gold card draws and Te Toa o te Wiki. Our kapa haka put on an amazing performance and a jubilee cake was cut by one of our foundation pupils – Barbara Love and one of our New Entrants – Indigo Dimalibot. Once the classes left the hall, each with a slab of cake, there were photos to be taken and cake to share before our visitors left.

In the evening around 50 jubilee attendees gathered at Blend Bar and Bistro in Upper Hutt for a wonderful dinner and time of reminiscing. All in all, a fabulous day for everyone involved.



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School Gates

Please drop off and pick up students at the library end of the school – this is much safer than our busy carpark.

Policy Reviews

Each term go to:

<https://www.schooldocs.co.nz/>

Username: pomare

Password: pride

Click the review button and have your say about our policies

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 17 November Photo Day

Please make sure your tamariki are at school on time as photos will be taken in the mornings. If you have booked family photos please be at school before 9am as they will start these soon after 8.30am.

29 November

Whole school fun day at Wainuomata Pools

7 December - 10am

Helpers' assembly and morning tea

Gumboot Day

On Tuesday the students and staff came dressed up in gumboots, pyjamas and crazy hair. We raised \$55 for 'I AM HOPE' and had a lot of fun doing it.

Arriving at School

You may have noticed we have some new gates around the school. These have been updated to ensure our tamariki are safe at school. The vehicle gate at the main entrance will soon be automatic, meaning it will open for vehicles via a sensor, but will not open for pedestrians. There is now a pedestrian gate on the fence to the right of the large gate as you enter.

However, as the mornings are very busy, with Kimi Ora students being dropped off by their taxis, we recommend that you drop your children to school at the library end. Please *do not* drive into the school grounds to drop them off as it can become very gridlocked with vehicles and dangerous for our tamariki.

We have five weeks to go before the end of the term. Some of our tamariki are finding it a bit tricky to hold things together as the end of the year approaches. We appreciate your support with encouraging the children to remain respectful and to finish the year well.

Tohaina ō painga ki te ao
Share your gifts with the world.

Ngā mihi nui,
Sherilyn Hall

