

### What's coming up?

9 December 9:15 Whānau Hui Juniors Waikuku trip Twilight football	10 Year 7 & 8 technology	11 6pm Year 8 Leavers dinner 6.30pm Board meeting	12 Newsletter Year 8 Day out Year 1-7 Transition Visit	13 <b>9.15 Assembly: Service &amp; Leadership awards</b> Year 8 Walk up Maungatere
16 December 9:15 Whānau Hui Production – dress rehearsal	17 Production: 1.30 Matinee performance 6.30 Evening performance	18	19 <b>Prizegiving:</b> 3.30 – NE to Year 4 5.30pm – Y5 - Y8	20. <b>RAY WHITE</b> <b>**BIG DAY IN**</b> 9am start - 2pm finish

Kia ora whānau,

Another school year is about to end and as we reflect back over the year, we appreciate the huge contribution made by so many in our community:

- ☺ to all the parents who have been on camps, trips, transporting duty, helping in the Learning Communities and generally supporting us - thank you!
- ☺ to the PTA who have organised, manned events, planned, laughed, smiled, and nearly cried - all so our children could get those extras that PTA continue to provide –thank you!
- ☺ to our Parent Support Group who make a huge difference for families in times of need – thank you!
- ☺ to the BOT who are so passionate about what we have at our school and how we can improve it – thank you!
- ☺ to our teachers and support staff - most people don't see the hours you put in above and beyond. I acknowledge your dedication and passion – thank you!

**A HUGE Pegasus Bay welcome** to Ryan in Taerutu who has joined us recently. Our roll is now sitting at 455.

**Production:** The children are practising for production and the props, costume, lighting and sound teams are working hard and it's looking like another great production in store for next week. Here is a reminder of what was shared in your LC newsletters last weekend:

- Tickets are on sale now in the office for \$5 each – cash only.
- We are limited in the number of tickets we can sell due to the amount of seating we have - as it is a whole school production, we recommend you get in quick! **Tickets are limited to 2 per family** initially – if we have spare tickets, they will be on sale on a first come first served basis on Monday (no holds).
- Performances are on Tuesday at 1.30pm and 6.30pm and we expect the tamariki to be at both performances. They will be supervised in the learning community when they are not on stage or back stage, so you will be able to drop them off and collect them afterwards. There will be a sign in/out sheet for this. The children will have seen the production at the dress rehearsal on Monday.
- If your child is part of the music team or back stage crew, they will need to be dressed in black (including socks). If they are a water related character, then they will need blue bottom half (top half of costume will be provided). If they are a flame related character, anything red /orange or yellow on the bottom half will be required (top half of costume will be provided). If they are a student character, then they will need to be in their school uniform. If you are unsure, please email their home room teacher with your query.
- The children and staff have put lots of effort in to the production and it is really important that you do not arrive or leave during the performance – which should be around 1 hour in duration.

### What you need to do before the end of the year:

- Return any school library books you may still have at home – to the office.
- Return all school sports tops – other than the touch ones – to the office.
- Make your school holiday bookings for MASH.
- Pay your school account or talk to Corinda about a payment plan.
- Breathe – it's been another great year!

*Pay your school account online, or set up a regular direct debit – just use your child's name and LC as a reference. Our account number is: 12-3616-0031685-00*

**Prize-giving:** As you know, our end of year celebration is on Thursday 19 December this year. Following your feedback, we are holding it earlier in the day. We would really like to see *EVERYONE* at prize giving so we can all celebrate together. Here's what you need to know:

- At 3.15 – the office and LCs are closed as staff will be preparing for prize-giving.
- MASH will be open for those who have booked.
- There will just be one bus run, as many children will be joining their parents for Junior prize giving.
- Children are to wear school uniform and sit in front of the stage in Learning Community groups.
- Please arrive on time – it can be disruptive if you arrive once proceedings are underway.
- Preschool children are welcome at prize giving, and they need to be sitting on their parent's lap. As the prize giving is a more formal event, we ask that pre-schoolers remain with their parents for the evening rather than moving around the gym and other areas.
- **Junior (NE to Year 4) prizegiving in the gym at 3.30pm**
- 4.40 – Junior prizegiving ends and you are welcome to bring a picnic and stay at school if you are also attending the Senior prize-giving.
- **Senior (Y5-8) prizegiving in the gym at 5.30pm**
- 7pm – Senior prize-giving ends

If your Senior child plans to play outside while the Junior prize giving is on – or vice versa – please be aware that their supervision is **your** responsibility. Please ensure they are not noisy or disruptive, and only come in (or leave) the gym in an emergency.

**Home Groups for 2020:** These will be up on the notice-window at the office on the afternoon of Friday 20 December. Please pop in and have a look if you would like to see this information – for privacy reasons, we are unable to email or post the home groups on our web or face book pages. If you have any questions or concerns about the group your child is in, please let me know so I can monitor the groups from the start of Term 1 next year and make any changes then if they are needed. Please do not contact the teachers or Syndicate Leaders to ask for changes as this is not their call to make.

**Last call for items for our 'thank-you' hampers for the bus driver and cleaners:** Please don't forget the hampers we are putting together for these patient and hardworking people! Items can be dropped off at the office. Thank you!



Ruby, Jake, Kaden, Logan, Savannah, Tanaya, Jamaica, Bella, Holly, Abbie, Tyler and Chase all the very best for next year!

**Goodbye:** At this time of year, we say a sad farewell to our Year 8 tamariki, as they head off to high school. They have had a busy week this week with their leaver's dinner at the Surf Club in Waikuku on Wednesday, a fun day out at Mega Air today with Mr Hornblow and tomorrow they are walking up Maungatere! We have had a great cohort of Year 8s this year, and we wish Ben, Jessie, Charlie, Lachlan, Caeleb, Sarah, Finn, Josh, Annabel, Riley, Geraint, Bailey, Seth, Eva, Alyssa, Jack, Harry, Jonty, Aaliyah, Billy, Noah,

**And finally:** What a year it has been! We have celebrated amazing success – both academically, in the arts and in our sports activities and you should all be very proud of your children – we are!

**Meri Kirihimete from us all at Pegasus Bay**



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*Te Kura o Manga Kawari*

# Community notices

*These notices are shared on behalf of our community and are not necessarily endorsed by school*

## Shining a Ray of Light this Festive Season!

The Ray White Pegasus team are calling on the local community to embrace the giving season and dig deep for children who need it most.

There is a way to help put a smile on the face of children and families who need some extra cheer at this time of year. This year they are supporting Ronald McDonald House South Island and North Canterbury Wellbeing.

All you need to do is drop your gift off under the tree in their office reception area before 5pm on Wednesday 18 December.

Ray White Pegasus is located at Level 1, 8 Tahuna Street (above Flat White Cafe). They will have their special giving Christmas tree ready and waiting.

#littlerayofgiving <http://rwpegasus.co.nz/>

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### Help give Kiwi families the Christmas they deserve.

Drop a gift into our office and we'll make sure it gets to a deserving family in our community.

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