

10 April 2018

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Positive Behaviour For Learning (PB4L) - PB4L is a major piece of work that we are engaging with starting this year. Through this we will change our school positively to ensure school is a place that students and families feel really positive about:

PB4L School-Wide looks at behaviour and learning from a whole-of-school, as well as an individual child perspective. The framework is based on international evidence.

The Positive Behaviour for Learning School-Wide framework, otherwise known as PB4L School-Wide, is helping New Zealand schools build a culture where positive behaviour and learning is a way of life. The framework can be tailored to your school's own environment and cultural needs.

It's not about changing the students; it's about changing the environment, systems and practices you have in place to support them to make positive behaviour choices.

We have a team of 9 people, 2 of whom are from our community. The other members are made up of teachers, support staff and myself. We are feeling hugely positive that we are already on the right path at Plateau, and PB4L will really help us tie all our positive attributes together.

Swimming Sports - Despite the awful weather we are pushing ahead with our Swimming Sports tomorrow, although we may tweak things to ensure children are not sitting around in togs in a cold environment. As always, we welcome family members along to watch and cheer on the students.

Hockey Tournament - A few of our students attended the Upper Hutt Schools' Hockey Tournament last week. Well done to them for taking part.



Nathan Mikaere Wallis and the Developing Brain - We would urge as many of our parents and caregivers as possible to get along to hear Nathan speak at this session in Porirua. His very accessible, funny approach to this tremendously important topic for parents leads to many "aha" moments, and as a staff we have enjoyed his insightful workshops and have come away feeling much more informed and able to deal with situations from a very different standpoint around behavioural issues.

'The Developing Brain' PARENT SESSION - an essential session for all parents

Date: Monday 16 April 7.00 - 8.30pm

Target Group: Parents, Grandparents, Prospective parents

Investment: \$25.00

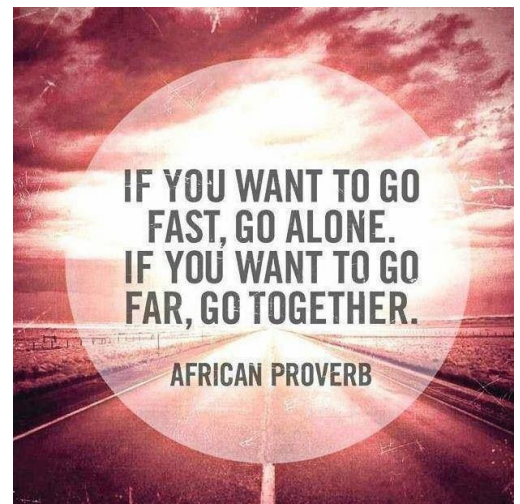
Venue: Aotea College Auditorium, Aotea College, Porirua

How your brain grows and learns is obviously central to success and well-being, yet it is only in recent years that we have even begun to understand how it works! There are ways we can help our children to develop by simply having an understanding of the brain. Nathan makes this topic easy to understand and uses everyday language to explain the huge power of the early years, the changes happening in the teenage years - and the ways to get it functioning at its best as much as is possible the rest of the time!

<http://www.connectionzplus.co.nz/index.php?page=course&t=3109>

Movin March - Thanks to everyone that dressed up their feet and their wheels recently and helped make it a really successful event. Thanks especially to Mrs Freemantle and Miss Collins who did a great job in organising the events - kia ora!

April School Holidays - This is the last week of Term One. School will close this Friday at 3pm and will reopen on Monday 30th April. We hope you all have a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all back next term.



50th Anniversary - We are taking registrations now for our 50th Anniversary weekend this year: <https://www.facebook.com/plateau50/>
The events are on the 25/26 May and there are a range of options available to book in for and places are limited.

Plateau Facebook - All our blog posts, Flickr photos and recent school news are gathered on our Facebook page making it the "one stop shop" for school events. www.facebook.com/plateauschool

There are also two associated Facebook pages and our Flickr page which has a TON of photos from different events for you to peruse:

<https://www.facebook.com/PlateauHomeandSchool/>

<https://www.facebook.com/plateau50/>

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/plateauschool/>

We are also on Twitter (@plateauschool)

And youtube as plateauschoolnz

ENVIRO NEWS

As part of our Enviro Group, we are selling wheelie bin latches. These are fantastic for keeping your bin lid closed, and stopping rubbish from flying around on those windy days! If you wish to purchase one (or more), please complete the google form (emailed to you or click on this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/g7dVgvVzp7hGrvop1>), or email office@plateau.school.nz. Payment can be made by cash to the office or online. The cost for each lock is \$10.00. When payment is received, we will send the lock/s home with your child.



OTHER NEWS

For Sale - We have a number of USB chargers for sale for \$5.00 each. They will charge phones, iPads, etc. They are spare chargers from our Huawei cell

phones and are surplus to requirement. If you would like one (or more), please email Sandra on bursar@plateau.school.nz. Thanks.

Pool Keys - Can all the pool key users please return their keys before the end of this term? Thanks.

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**You're Invited...** - Plans are all in place for our 50<sup>th</sup> reunion next term (25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May), and we would love some of our current parents / caregivers to come along and help us celebrate. On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May, we will be having an open afternoon so that visitors can see our school in action "today". We will have a powhiri at 1pm, and a kapa haka performance. Senior students will then show our visitors around the grounds and classrooms, followed by a special school assembly, bury a time capsule, afternoon tea and celebration cake cutting.

You are also invited to join in our celebrations over the weekend.

We will be having an informal night on Friday night (Gourmet BBQ and drinks here at school) - \$50 first guest, \$30 subsequent guests, \$15 children aged 5 - 16 years. On Saturday there will be a picnic and walk at Kaitoke at 12.30pm, and afternoon tea at Ashton Norwood (bring your own picnic and pay for your own afternoon tea), followed by a formal dinner at Te Marua Golf Club (\$95 first guest, \$65 second guest - no children). If you would like to register for both nights, we would love you to come along - \$120 1st guest and \$95 2nd guest).

**Plateau School**

# 50 Years

Tells A Story...

**Plateau School 50 Years: 1968—2018**

We invite you to share in our celebrations of 50 years of Plateau School:  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup>/Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2018

The celebrations will include:  
Friday night: BBQ  
Saturday night: Dinner  
Stories from staff and students  
Kaitoke picnic & walk

We would love to hear your stories about your time at Plateau School to use as part of our celebrations. Please forward any stories or pictures to [reunion@plateau.school.nz](mailto:reunion@plateau.school.nz)

Please visit our facebook page to register your interest. This is where the registration form will be available.  
[www.facebook.com/plateau50](http://www.facebook.com/plateau50)

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We would love our current families to join in our celebrations, so if you are interested, please register by clicking on the link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/6Kla3Glcm9fCo7Er2>

Or go to our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/plateau50/>

## *HOUSE-KEEPING*

**After School Care** - Please remember to book your child into After School Care on the days that they will be attending (unless they are regulars). We need to know who is supposed to be attending for the safety of our students.

Also, if your child is regularly in on a particular day and they won't be there for some reason, please let us know. We appreciate your support. Thanks.

**Parking** - Just a reminder that parking is not permitted in the school grounds between the hours of 8am - 4pm. Thanks.

## *NETBALL NEWS*

Hi Guys

Firstly it was great to see a good amount of Plateau netballers at the skills and drills on Sunday! We had a great turn out! Same time again this week just keep an eye on the junior netball Facebook page in case the weather is not good.

The season's draw should be out by the end of this week - I will email it out to coaches as soon as I receive it!

Sunday the 29th April is Plateau netball fun day up at Plateau School! 10am - 12pm fun games and some court time. I will pop a reminder on Facebook.

For new players remember to buy a navy blue thermal top either from Postie Plus or the Warehouse. It's not a must but on cold days it helps keep them warm, especially our little players! Uniforms will be handed out first week of term 2!

Think that's it for now. All the teams have had their first practices which is great!

Have a great holiday

Thanks

Tracy Powell

## ***DATES FOR YOUR DIARY***

### **April**

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|----------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> | - School Swimming Sports               |
| Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>    | - Last day of Term One (finishing 3pm) |
| Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>    | - First day of Term Two                |

### **TERM DATES FOR 2018**

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|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Term 1 | - Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> February - Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> April (96 half-days) |
| Term 2 | - Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> April - Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> July (98 half-days)          |
| Term 3 | - Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> July - Fri 28 September (100 half-days)                  |
| Term 4 | - Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> October - Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> December (90 half-days)  |

**TEACHER ONLY DAY - FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER (SCHOOL CLOSED)**

## *SCHOOL LUNCHES*



**School Lunches – School lunches this week:**

**Thursday – Subway** (\$5.00 mini sub pack, \$6.00 6” sub pack). To order please go to [www.subway.co.nz](http://www.subway.co.nz). Select “Online Ordering” then “Subway School Lunch Programme”. Close off for orders is 8.45am that morning.

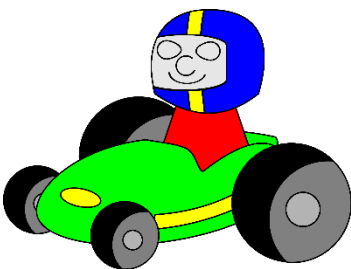
If you have any issues with the ordering process, please contact 0800 782 273.

**Friday – Sausage in Bread / Fish Fingers in Bread** (\$2.00 each)

## *STAY SAFE / GET FIT / HELP OUR PLANET... TIPS FOR THE WEEK*



**ROAD SAFETY SPOT: SAFETY OF PLATEAU SCHOOL STUDENTS & THEIR FAMILIES:** Staying safe on the school bus - Dress them in brightly coloured or reflectorized clothing that can be easily seen by drivers.



**PUSH PLAY!** - Build a go-kart with your friends and race it down the street.



**GREEN SPOT -** Tips for greener, cleaner living. Everyday ways for us to help make a healthier planet - Use the “off” switch - Use only as much light as you need.



## COMMUNITY NEWS



We wish to honour and create recognition for ANZAC, our New Zealand War Horse's and their Mounted Kiwi Soldiers on our ANZAC Family Raceday - Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

*Trentham Racecourse has been used as part of the Trentham Army Camp during both World Wars, including being used as a hospital, for leaving parades and also farewell lunches.*

*The first major Expeditionary Force left Trentham in 1914 en-route to Egypt and then to Gallipoli with many who left failing to return.*

For more information go to: <http://wellingtonracing.co.nz/anzac-family-raceday.aspx>

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY BOREDOM BUSTER

Creative Clay for Kids 7 - 12 years

Tuesday 17 April 10.30am - 12pm
Pinehaven Community Hall, Forest Rd, Pinehaven
Fun with clay, boredom busted away!

\$20 includes materials and firing.

Contact Rebecca to book 027 7287236, or rebeccapubben69@gmail.com

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April Programme: Mon 16 – Fri 27 April [BOOK ARTRAGEOUS APRIL](#)

Venue: Poneke Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Tce, Mt Cook, Wellington

8.30am-3:00pm \$69 and after care 3:00pm-5.15pm \$15

Aimed at children aged 5-12 years. Our classes provide a space for all children to explore at their own pace; chaotic or careful, gingerly or with gusto, tiptoeing or tromping. Our aim is to draw out their creativity, not stuff things in! [Bookings essential.](#)

» [View the programme.](#) [BOOK NOW!](#)

Big Kids (Olderageous) January Programme: Mon 16 – Fri 27 April [BOOK OLDERAGEOUS APRIL](#)

Venue: Pavillion at Wellington High School, Taranaki St, Mt Cook, Wellington

8.30am-3:00pm \$69 and after care 3:00pm-5.15pm \$15

Our BIG KIDS programme is aimed at children aged 10-14 years. Providing them with a space, focused adult attention and loads of resources. This programme is tailored to draw out older children's interest in creating and using their imagination and creativity in a hilariously fun atmosphere. [Bookings essential.](#)

» [View the programme.](#) [BOOK NOW!](#)