

14 November 2017

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Loose Parts Play - Our students had a great time recently when the "Playpod" from Activation was parked up in the middle of the tarmac. This time lapse Youtube video shows just one lunchtime in 30 seconds:

<https://youtu.be/vtiB5tqmyzs>

We are excited to announce that we have bought a shed that we will start to



build up our own collection of loose parts equipment for students to use for creative play. This will be positioned next to the playground for easy access. The shed was purchased on Trademe through WELTEC, and the money raised goes to charity, so it is a win-win situation!

**One of the previous sheds with the beneficiaries of the Charity scheme-
The Special Children's Party**

If anyone in our community has any play equipment that might suit the needs of the students please let us know- items such as bread trays, plastic crates, piping, cable reels, netting etc.



School Pool - The school pool will shortly be open for business, so please ensure from next week that your child has togs, towel, hat and if necessary goggles ready for swimming.

Swim hats are available for \$4 from the office and are mandatory for swimming to ensure our filters operate effectively.

School Fence - You will soon see contractors on our school property building a fence for the front of our school. We have a new student starting at the beginning of next year, who requires the safety and security of the fence around the school. This fence is being funded by the Ministry of Education, and can only help with the safety of all our students.

50th Anniversary - We are taking registrations now for our 50th Anniversary weekend next 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:

\$110 - Early Bird Registration - Cost includes goodie bag, Friday night BBQ and Saturday evening formal dinner (drinks not included). To be paid by 31/12/2017.

\$120 - Registration from 1/1/2018 - Cost includes goodie bag, Friday night BBQ and Saturday evening formal dinner (drinks not included). To be paid by 28/02/2018.

\$50 - Only attending Friday Night BBQ (includes goodie bag, drinks not included). To be paid by 28/02/2018.

\$85 - Only attending Saturday Night Dinner (includes goodie bag, drinks not included). To be paid by 28/02/2018.

\$15 - For child 5-16 years for Friday night BBQ. Koha for under 5 year olds- It is requested that children leave by 8.00pm. To be paid by 28/2/2018.

Partner registration

\$95 - Early Bird Registration - Cost includes Friday night BBQ and Saturday evening formal dinner (drinks not included). To be paid by 31/12/2017.

\$95 - Registration from 1/1/2018 - Cost includes Friday night BBQ and Saturday evening formal dinner (drinks not included). To be paid by 28/02/2018.

\$30 - Only attending Friday Night BBQ (drinks not included). To be paid by 28/02/2018.

\$65 - Only attending Saturday Night Dinner (drinks not included). To be paid by 28/02/2018.

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

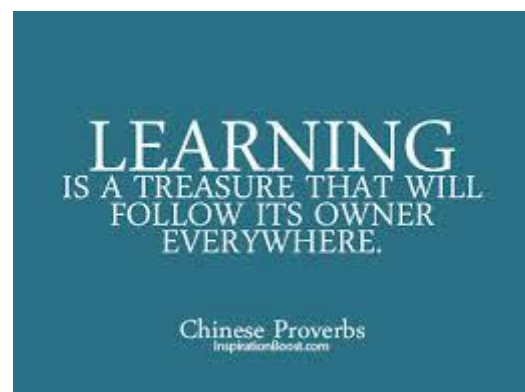
There are also two associated Facebook pages and our Flickr page which has a TON of photos from different events for you to peruse:

<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



LIBRARY NEWS

Term Four 2017

This term for the library is our annual stock take and Summer Reading programme. Any library or school "Ready to Read" books found, it would be really appreciated if you could return them from now on.





Mobile library visits this term - if you have any Library Bus books to return, this can be done at our school library.



Thank you for your support and encouragement for the students' reading.

Happy Reading from Mrs Davidson

OTHER NEWS



Cookie Fundraiser - We are selling kiwiana tins of cookies (2 for \$20). The tins are very cool, and will make the perfect gift for anyone and everyone! If you would like to see what the tins look like, please call in to the school office.

Order forms will be sent home with your child today. Orders close Friday 24th November. Money must be paid at the time of ordering (either cash, cheque or internet banking into our account -

Plateau School BOT - 01-0771-0207296-000. Please use your name and cookies as a reference. Thanks.

School Sun Hat / Hoodies - We have school sun hats available for purchase in the school office (\$15.00 each). Please call in and have a look.

We are placing another order for school hoodies. Sizes available are S, M, L, XL in both child and adult sizes. The cost is \$40 (child), \$45 (adult). To place your order, please call in to the school office or email office@plateau.school.nz and let us know what size you would like and what you would like written on the back. Payment needs to be made at the time of ordering. Payment can be made to Plateau School BOT, 01-0771-0207296-000. Please use your name and hoodie as a reference. Orders close **tomorrow**, Wednesday 15th November.

Cut and Polish - We have a voucher for a cut and polish at the Heretaunga Collision Repair Centre (to the value of \$300) that we will be auctioning off. The proceeds will go to the Home & School. We have a sheet in the office that you can write your bid down on, or you can call or email the office and we will be happy to write your name and bid price down for you. The auction closes next Monday, 20th November, so be in quick.



Grab 'n' Go Bags - Did you miss an opportunity to see the baskets?

They are made from spaghetti yarn, which is repurposed salvages, 90% cotton and 10% polyester. Great for a grab 'n' go bag:

- Sturdy
- Colourful
- Easy to squash and reshape
- And for gift giving.

All proceeds before Christmas go to Plateau School (Small - \$10, Medium - \$15, Large - \$25).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

November

- Tuesday 21st - International Food Festival
- Puss in Boots Performance
- Thurs 23rd - Fri 24th - Year 3/4 Camp at Brookfield
- Tuesday 28th - Interschool Danish Rounders
- Thursday 30th - Interschool Danish Rounders Postponement Day

December

- Tuesday 5th - Regional Athletics Day
- Wednesday 6th - Grandparents Day
- Thursday 7th - Whole School Day out - Days Bay
- Friday 8th - Year 6 Leavers Function
- Tuesday 12th - End of Year Concert (5.30pm - 7pm)
- Wednesday 13th - Maidstone Intermediate Year 6 Classroom Placement
Afternoon Visit (3pm - 7pm)
- Friday 15th - Last Day of Term 4 - finishing at 12pm (No After
School Care)

TERM DATES FOR 2018

- Term 1 - Thurs 1st February - Friday 13th April (96 half-days)
- Term 2 - Mon 30th April - Fri 6th July (98 half-days)
- Term 3 - Mon 23rd July - Fri 28 September (100 half-days)
- Term 4 - Mon 15th October - TBA

SCHOOL LUNCHES



School Lunches – School lunches this week:

Thursday – Subway (\$5.00 mini sub pack,
\$6.00 6" sub pack).

Friday – Sausage in Bread / Fish Fingers In Bread (\$1.50 each)



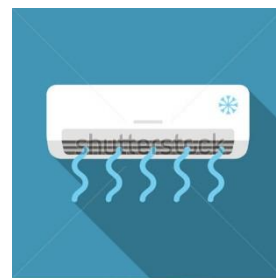
ROAD SAFETY SPOT: SAFETY OF PLATEAU SCHOOL STUDENTS & THEIR FAMILIES: When picking up or dropping off your children: Never double park outside a school.



PUSH PLAY! - Clean out your garage at home, you never know what you might find...



GREEN SPOT - Tips for greener, cleaner living. Everyday ways for us to help make a healthier planet - Burning fossil fuels such as natural gas, coal, oil, and gasoline raises the level of carbon dioxide in the



atmosphere, and carbon dioxide is a major contributor to the greenhouse effect and global warming. You can help to reduce the demand for fossil fuels, which in turn reduces global warming, by using energy more wisely - Use less heat and air conditioning - Turn down the heat while you're sleeping at night or away during the day, and keep temperatures moderate at all times. Setting your thermostat just 2 degrees lower in winter and higher in summer could save about 2,000 pounds of carbon dioxide each year.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Annette's Place.

Are you thinking ahead to next year and how best to help your child? Contact me for a free consultation for you to work out whether my skills will help your child. I am a registered teacher and have had many years as a teacher of children with learning difficulties.

www.annettesplacenz.com

021 2997 456



Are you looking for a challenge? It's not too late to join Marrzipan! We are looking for some awesome students to fill some parts in our play, which we will be performing for parents and their peers at the end

of term. Come along to a Trial Lesson and see whether you like it! You can sign up for one directly via our website www.marrzipandrama.co.nz (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)