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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Junior Class Changes - To help manage our numbers of students entering through the year, we have moved up a small group of children in Pukeko and Tui Class into the next class up. We often have to do this at this time of year and the children are very settled in their new classrooms. This process is made easier as we are a small, close knit school, and the Junior students spend a lot of time together during syndicate activities such as singing and discovery.

This Friday Miss Collins is on leave for 10 days. We welcome Margaret Vlassof who will be teaching in Tuatara while she is away.

Sports Help - We have a couple of sporting events coming up this term that we would love to have some parental support with in terms of coaching and training the squads. If you have any expertise or would like to get involved please contact Nigel at school.

Basketball Tournament - 7 August at Walter Nash

Football Tournament - 4 September at TMP

Also this term we have the Netball Tournament, organised by Cath Brattle, at Heretaunga College this year on the 21st August, and the BMX Competition on the 18th September.

Enrichment Help - It is that time of year again! This term we are launching into our Enrichment groups. In order to offer the children the best range of options we need parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles to step up and offer an hour a week of their time for around 6 weeks. The range of options we have been able to offer in the past has been enormous thanks to your generosity, and the children have really enjoyed the chance to choose an activity that suited them.

Please look out for the Signmee that came out last term so that we can start organising our groups.

The Upper Hutt Education Network Update - This is the last week to have your say- survey closes Sunday!

You may not realise this but ALL the schools in Upper Hutt have been working together for several years now on a collaborative project that aims to improve student agency and engagement in all students from Primary to High School. We meet regularly and all the teachers came together at Maidstone Intermediate on the first Monday of the holidays to work on this initiative. This was the fifth time teachers have worked together as a group like this.

To that end we would like to gather feedback from our parent and caregivers on how engaged your kids are. We have already done this last year with the students - they completed a survey called "Me and My School" which told us a lot about student attitudes in Upper Hutt and at our own schools. This is helping drive change - especially in the High Schools as we see a drop in engagement for year 9 and 10 students.

There is a link to the survey below with a video about the project made with the help of all the schools in Upper Hutt. Can you spot our star?

[Upper Hutt Education Network Community Survey](#)

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.flickr.com/photos/plateauschool/>

We are also on Twitter (@plateauschool)

And youtube as plateauschoolnz





YUMMY STICKERS - Keep collecting the "Yummy" stickers from apples and send them in to school so we can get some sports gear!

OTHER NEWS

Junior School Trip - On Thursday 9 August Pukeko, Tui and Tuatara rooms will be travelling into Wellington to enjoy Capital E's performance Odd One Out. We are anticipating the cost for each child to be \$10.00. We will send out a Signmee with more details this week.

HOUSE-KEEPING

Absences - If your child is going to be absent from school, please ensure you notify the school by 8.45am. We have a dedicated answer phone message for leaving an absence. Please remember to state your child's name, room and the reason for the absence. If you do not give a reason, we have to record your child down as an unjustified absence.

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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

August

- Tuesday 7th - Basketball (Year 5/6)
- Thursday 9th - Junior School Trip to Capital E
- Tuesday 14th - Parent Teacher Interviews (3.20pm - 7.30pm)
- Wednesday 15th - Teachers' Strike Action (more information to follow)
- Thursday 16th - Parent Teacher Interviews (3.20pm - 5.30pm)
- Friday 17th - Maidstone Intermediate visiting Year 6 Students
- Tuesday 21st - Netball Tournament (Year 5/6)
- Thursday 23rd - Netball Tournament (Postponement Date)
- Friday 31st - Daffodil Day

September

- Tuesday 4th - Football Tournament
- Thursday 6th - Football Tournament (Postponement Date)
- Friday 7th - Onesie Day
- Thursday 13th - Year 6 Students Visit to Maidstone Intermediate
- Tuesday 18th - Science Roadshow (Kea / Ruru)
- BMX Challenge
- Friday 28th - Last Day of Term 3

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 - Tues 18th December (90 half-days)

TEACHER ONLY DAY - FRIDAY 19TH 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. 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 - Riding on the bus: Stay in your seat until the bus has stopped.



PUSH PLAY! - Next time you talk on the phone, stand up and walk around the house while you are talking.

GREEN SPOT - Tips for greener, cleaner living. Everyday ways for us to help make a healthier planet - Speak up - By voicing your concerns, you send a message that you care about the warming world.



COMMUNITY NEWS



**WINTER
ART
Classes**
@
**BLOOMING
ARTISTS**

Term 3:
23 July - 27
September

Days to choose from:
Mondays
Thursdays
From 3.15 to 4.45

Booking is
essential:
10 per class

look forward to; superheros, minecraft, authors, musicians, movies,
nature, self, material and more!

dominique.cutman@gmail.com | fb/BloomingArtists | 0223932832

Address: 79 Plateau Road, Te Marua	Ages: 6 years to 12 years old	Cost per Term: 1 kid: \$130 2 kids: \$230
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**Experience Marsden
Open Morning**
Fri 17 August 8:45am – 12pm
Girls Y1-13 co-ed Preschool

Please note I work Mon - Thurs, 9.00am - 2.45pm, please call my mobile outside of these hours.

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Marsden Avenue, Karori

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A Marsden Whitby education for your son or daughter in Year 7, 2019 or beyond

Open Day

You are invited to the Samuel Marsden Collegiate School Whitby Open Day on Friday 17 August, any time between 10am and 2pm. This is a great opportunity to see the Marsden Whitby campus, to explore the benefits of a Marsden education and to find out about the Marsden Whitby programmes. There will be staff and students to talk to and the students

look forward to showing you around. For more information and to register visit marsden.school.nz/experience

Enrolments -Marsden Whitby applications for [enrolment](#) for 2019 and beyond are now open. There are limited spaces in Year 7 for 2019 and a wait list for entry in 2019 is likely. If you have any questions or would like a personal tour please call **04 234 1070** or visit marsden.school.nz/whitby

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**Phoebe Havill | Pink Ribbon Street Appeal Intern  
Breast Cancer Foundation NZ**

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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/BreastCancerFoundationNZ](http://www.facebook.com/BreastCancerFoundationNZ)



**We're here to help you.**

**If you've been diagnosed with breast cancer, we are here to help.**

**All our services are free.**

- Join **mybc** online community for New Zealanders affected by breast cancer
- Access **Rehab** to rebuild your strength during and after treatment
- Access **Counselling** for when you need to talk
- Monthly **Webinars** to hear a panel of experts discuss breast cancer issues
- Call the **Advice** line 0800 BC Nurse (0800 226 8773)

To discuss any of our free services, contact our breast care nurses.

On **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October** the Pink Ribbon Street Appeal volunteers take to the streets to raise awareness and funds to fight breast cancer. This year the appeal falls in the school holidays, but this is a great way to get students involved in volunteering in their own time or have parents teach their children about the value of helping their community.

10,000 volunteers are needed this year.

Our vision is 'Zero deaths from breast cancer'. The challenge is still enormous and we are grateful for your help to enable our work pushing for new frontiers in early detection, treatment and support.

Volunteers can sign themselves up for individual shifts at [www.pinkribbonvolunteer.co.nz](http://www.pinkribbonvolunteer.co.nz)

Please just bear in mind that anyone under the age of 16 must volunteer with an adult. We are more than happy to provide a certificate to those students that have volunteered in the appeal.

To find out more please call us on **0508 105 105**, or email us at [pinkribbon@bcf.org.nz](mailto:pinkribbon@bcf.org.nz).

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**Introducing, Tania Wilkinson**  
Community Development Advisor

Tania Wilkinson  
Community Development Advisor  
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Kia Ora, I am Tania, and I'm Upper Hutt born and raised, and enjoy working in my local community. My family and I enjoy all Upper Hutt has to offer, from beautiful parks and reserves to sports groups and entertainment. My work projects as a Community Development Advisor have included the Young Achievers Awards, organising Positive Ageing Week as well as Youth Art Projects and initiatives.



**Is it time for change?**

We are here to support you to make positive changes in your life one step at a time

**Move Up is a programme for women, including mums with young children**

At Women of Worth you will:

- Find out about your strengths and how to use them
- Connect with other women in a small group setting
- Gain practical skills and strategies that will make a real difference
- Make the changes you want to make for you, your children, and your family

**Starts Thursday 2nd August  
9.30am — 1.30pm (lunch provided)  
Lower Hutt CBD**

*Be the woman you want to be  
one step at a time*

**Contact us now**  
Call/Text 027 359 1558  
[theteam@wow.org.nz](mailto:theteam@wow.org.nz)

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