

**28 March 2017**

## **KIA ORA KOUTOU**

**Wicked Wheels Day/Movin' March** - We are pushing ahead with our Wicked Wheels day tomorrow, so please bring your dressed up wheels along (sorry for those of you who came prepared last Thursday!). We will have a bike track on the school field provided and set up by the City Council. We will do a parade in the morning with prizes for dressing them up.

Please keep supporting dropping your children at the pou too, as this helps them fill in their Movin' March Passports.

Remember we also have our amazing "Fancy Feet Friday coming up as the grand finale to the month on the 31st March.

There is a Facebook page to post your pictures of your Wheels/Feet. Just go to [facebook.com/movinmarch](https://www.facebook.com/movinmarch) and use #movinmarch so it can be seen, and you will be in the draw to win a family pass to one of the Wellington Wild Things destinations - including Mt Bruce and the Zoo.

[www.facebook.com/wellingtonwildthings/](https://www.facebook.com/wellingtonwildthings/)



**Pou** - We have new children on duty at the pou and we are aware of some early teething problems as these new students get to grips with the role's requirements. We have had a meeting to resolve this, and I would appreciate your feedback on whether you have noticed an improvement in the levels of responsibility. Be aware children on duty will wait for 3 or 4 students who would like/whose parents would like them to be accompanied to school before leaving from the pou.

Also the children come off duty at just before 8:45 to allow them to get to school on time, so please ensure if you are dropping at the pou and your child needs accompanying to school, that you drop them prior to then.

**School Hoodies** – We will be placing an order for school hoodies. If you would like to order one, please email the office with the size and what name you would like put on the back (maximum 8 letters). Sizes available are S, M, L, XL (Child - \$35, Adult - \$40). Payment can be made by cash to the office, or by internet banking (preferred option) – Plateau School BOT, 01-0771-0207296-000. Please use your name and Hoodie as a reference. Orders close Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April.

**Soccer** – Soccer practice will take place after school today.

**Headphones** – All students in Kiwi, Paua, Kea and Ruru classes will need a set of headphones to use with the Chromebooks. These may be supplied from home, or we now have some available for purchase through the school (\$13.50 each). A number of parents have ordered them through the Signmee that was sent out last year, and if you have not yet paid, please do so and we will send the headphones over to your child.

If you haven't ordered, but would still like to purchase a set, please let the office know. Payment can be made at the office or by internet banking (Plateau School BOT, 01-0771-0207296-000). Please use your name and headphones as a reference. Thanks.

**Hot Cross Buns** – We are running our Hot Cross Bun fundraiser again this year! A huge thank you to Centa Bakery for supplying the delicious Hot Cross Buns! This year the profit will be going to purchase new netball equipment, and also next year's Year 5/6 camp. Check the Signmee that was sent out last week for more details and to place an order.

**Damaged Property** – Sadly we had a bit of property damage over the weekend. The hand towel dispenser in the staff toilet in the pool area was pulled off the wall, chairs left outside, and soft drink bottles in the guttering. The chairs were used for people to climb on top of our shipping container to get tyres down, which were left on the property.

Can pool users please be aware that the children should be using the children's toilet in the pool area, not the staff toilet. Also if you see any

inappropriate behaviour from people on our school grounds, it would be appreciated if you could ring the number on the pool rules sheet to inform us. Thanks.

## **News From the Library**

**Thanks for supporting the Scholastic Book club.  
Issue 2 for 2017 closes Wed 29 March.**

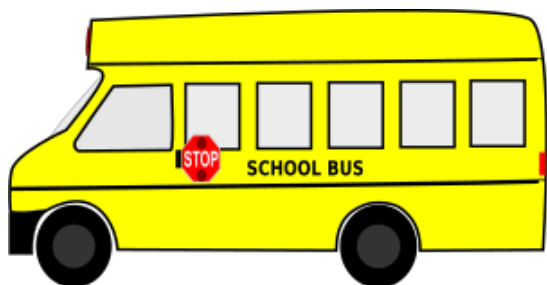
**Students who have completed their Summer Reading Journals can still be returning them to their classroom teachers. We will be talking about their journals.**

**Thanks again for encouraging students to keep up their reading.**

### **Reminders:**

Junior Classes: Book boxes are in place for classes, Tui, Pukeko and Tuatara. The students are issued with 5 books. Two of these are Non-fiction and three Fiction. They have them for the week for “read to self-times”. The response has been great, the students really looking forward to this reading time. At this stage we are leaving these books at school. They also continue to visit the Library bus on their given rotation.

Senior classes: Books are loaned for two weeks. Reminder slips are printed after that time. Returning books can be done straight to the red box in the library, with the students on their visit day or check with the class teacher for a located box in the classroom.



**Could you please help students have their books for returning on class visits to the library.**

**Mobile library visits have started.  
If you have any Library Bus books to return,  
this can be done at our school library.**

<b>Library Class Timetable</b>				
	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
9.30-10.30am		Pukeko	Tuatara	Tui
10.45 - 11.00am	<b>Open Library</b>	<b>Open Library</b>	<b>Open Library</b>	<b>Open Library</b>
11.15 - 12.00pm	Kiwi	Paua/kiwi	Paua	<b>library bus</b>
12.15-1.00pm	Ruru/Kea	Ruru/Kea		

<b>Mobile Library Timetable Term 1 2017</b>		
<b>Group 1</b>	<b>Group 2</b>	<b>Group 3</b>
<b>9 Feb 2 March 23 March 13 April</b>	<b>16 Feb 9 March 30 March</b>	<b>23 Feb 16 March 6 April</b>
<b>11.20-11.45am Pukeko and Tui</b>	<b>11.20-11.45am Paua</b>	<b>11.20-11.45am Ruru</b>
<b>11.45-12.10pm Tuatara</b>	<b>11.45-12.10pm Kiwi</b>	<b>11.45-12.10pm Kea</b>

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

**Happy Reading from Mrs Davidson**

**Netball** – Hi All – Netball training is now underway.

We have full Year 4, 5 and 6 teams this year. Unfortunately we only had one Year 3 player registered, which means we have no Year 3 team.

Years 5 and 6 have their first training this Wednesday from 3pm – 4.15pm. Please make sure the children wear decent footwear.

Year 4 trainings will be starting on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

**Netball Funday** – All players – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 11am – 1.30pm. Fun games and some skills and drills.

If you have a netball, please bring it along. These sessions are great, especially for new players.

Please “LIKE” Upper Hutt Junior Netball on Facebook for details and cancellations.

First game of the season is on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at Heretaunga College. A draw will be handed out the first week back at school next term.

Any questions, please feel free to contact myself – the office has contact details.

Here’s to another great netball season.

Tracy Powell  
NETBALL CO-ORDINATOR

### **Dates for your Diary**

#### ***March***

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> - Wheels Wednesday  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> - Fancy Feet Friday

#### ***April***

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Last day for orders & payment for Hot Cross Buns  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> - Hot Cross Buns delivery  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> - Last day for Hoodie Orders  
Mon 10<sup>th</sup> & Tue 11<sup>th</sup> - School Photos

- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> - Whole swimming sports (Juniors morning, Seniors afternoon).
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> - Last day of Term 1 (finishing at 3pm)

## TERM DATES FOR 2017

- Term 1 - Tues 31st January – Thursday 13th April (102 half-days)
- Term 2 - Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May – Fri 7<sup>th</sup> July (98 half-days)
- Term 3 - Mon 24<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 29<sup>th</sup> September (100 half-days)
- Term 4 - Mon 16<sup>th</sup> October – Fri 15<sup>th</sup> December (88 half-days)

***A Teacher Only Day will be held on Friday 2 June 2017. (SCHOOL CLOSED)***

PLATEAU SCHOOL 50TH SCHOOL REUNION - FRIDAY 25TH MAY AND SATURDAY 26TH MAY 2018. BOOK THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY! PLEASE REMEMBER TO SHARE THE LINK TO THE PLATEAU 50TH REUNION FACEBOOK PAGE ON YOUR TIMELINE SO THAT WE CAN SPREAD THE NEWS FAR AND WIDE! (AND REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND!). DON'T FORGET TO "LIKE" AND "SHARE" OUR 50TH REUNION FACEBOOK PAGE! - [www.facebook.com/plateau50](http://www.facebook.com/plateau50)



**School Lunches** – School lunches this week.

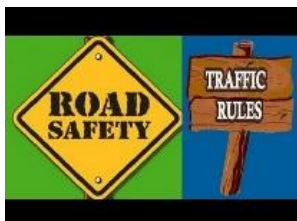
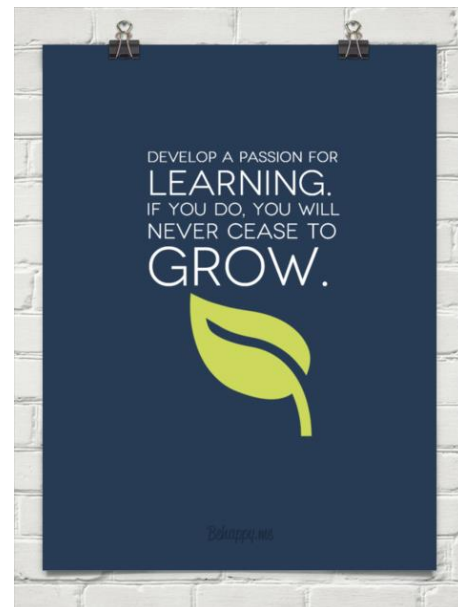
**Thursday** – Subway (\$5.00 mini sub pack, \$6.00 6" sub pack). **Friday** – Sausages in bread / fish fingers in bread (\$1.50 each)



Term One, 2017		
Date	Lunch Offered	
10/2/2016	Pies (Mince or Mince & Cheese)	\$4.00
17/2/2017	Sausages / Fish Fingers in Bread	\$1.50
24/2/2017	Pies (Mince or Mince & Cheese)	\$4.00
3/3/2017	Sausages / Fish Fingers in Bread	\$1.50
10/3/2017	Sausages / Fish Fingers in Bread	\$1.50
17/3/2017	Sausages / Fish Fingers in Bread	\$1.50
24/3/2017	American Hot Dogs	\$2.50
31/3/2017	Sausages / Fish Fingers in Bread	\$1.50
7/4/2017	Cheese Burger / Works Burger*	\$4.00/\$5.00*
* Cheese Burger - \$4.00 / Works Burger - \$5.00		

**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](http://www.facebook.com/plateauschool)



**ROAD SAFETY SPOT: SAFETY OF PLATEAU SCHOOL STUDENTS & THEIR FAMILIES:** That cyclists must not ride more than two abreast.



**GREEN SPOT – Tips for greener, cleaner living. Everyday ways for us to help make a healthier planet – Plant a tree –** A single tree will absorb one tonne of carbon dioxide over its lifetime. Shade provided by trees can also reduce your air conditioning bill by 10 to 15 percent. The Department of Conservation

website’s Arbor Day section has information on planting native trees. Go to [www.doc.govt.nz](http://www.doc.govt.nz).

**PUSH PLAY!** – Go for a walk or ride up Tunnel Gully.



*Please support our Better Funding for Better Learning Campaign for Support Staff by signing the petition attached to last week’s newsletter (or the one in the school office). Please encourage everyone you know to do the same – for the benefit of all our children. The petition can be signed online by going to*

[www.betterfunding.org.nz/supportstaff/](http://www.betterfunding.org.nz/supportstaff/)



# EASTER DISCO

Friday 7th April

6:00 to 7:30pm

Cost: \$5

Includes a bottle of water and a  
sausage in bread



**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**LEARN TO PLAY TENNIS  
Holiday Programme For Children From 5 Years- 13 Years  
Supported by Hutt Valley Tennis Association**

Dates: **Monday 24, Tues 25 and Wed 26 April, 2017.** (wet or fine)

Venue: St Joseph's School Tennis Courts, Royal Street, Upper Hutt.  
If wet the programme will be held in the St Joseph's School Hall

Timetable: 10.00am-11.00am- Boys and girls from 5-8 years old  
11.00am-12 noon - Girls from 9 years +  
1.00pm-2.00pm - Boys from 9 years +

Cost: \$33-00 for the 3 days. Money to be paid on the first day.

Registration: Contact Gary Nelson –Ph. 5897178 or

Email- [a.nelson@xtra.co.nz](mailto:a.nelson@xtra.co.nz)

**Note: Enrolments must be received by—Monday 17 April, 2017.  
EARLY ENROLMENT is advised as this programme is very popular  
and the first 12 enrolments in each age group will be accepted.**

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Due to changing circumstances we are  
Postponing the Upper Hutt Young Cyclist of the  
year until Term 4 later this year.

Our apologies for this but we look forward to having the competition later  
in the year. At this stage we have yet to confirm a date.

Kerry Fenton  
School Community Officer  
Upper Hutt Police

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SPCA  
WELLINGTON

# Easter Egg Hunt!

Sat 15 April 12-3pm

Wellington SPCA, 140 Alexandra Road, Newtown

Easter eggs

Food & drinks

Gold coin entry

See you there!

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**OPEN DAY**  
**Trentham United**  
**Harriers & Walkers**



**Saturday**

**1 April & 8 April**

**Join us for a run or walk**

1:15pm announcements at the Trentham United Harriers & Walkers Clubrooms, Trentham Memorial Park, off Barton Rd.

Clubrooms open from 12:30pm  
Free Sausage sizzle afterwards!!

Everyone welcome, you don't need to be fast!!

For full details visit:  
[www.trenthamunited.co.nz](http://www.trenthamunited.co.nz)  
[www.facebook.com/trenthamharriers](http://www.facebook.com/trenthamharriers)