

7 August 2018

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## *PRINCIPAL'S NEWS*

**Teachers Industrial Action** - We have sent out information on the upcoming Industrial Action on the 15th August. The Board have decided in the interest of student safety to close the school. While we sent this information out via Signmee and posted it on Facebook, we include the text of the letter below:

*Dear Parents/Caregivers*

*At this stage the Teachers' strike will be going ahead on the 15th August for the full school day.*

*If the situation changes, we will advise you as soon as we are able to.*

*Assuming the strike does go ahead, the school will close for the full day (including before and after school care) so parents and caregivers will need to make alternative arrangements.*

*We understand that this will be an inconvenience for some parents and caregivers. We looked at our opportunities to stay open but decided that we can't practically do so in a way that's safe for all children. We also support our teachers, the great work they do every day for our tamariki, and what they are striking for.*

*We recognise their right to take action if they think it is necessary.*

*Regards*

*Tim Hewitt- Board Chair- on behalf of the Board*

**Parent Student and Teacher Meetings** - On the 14th and 16th August we will be holding our Term 3 meetings. Bookings are open and you will need to log on to: [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and use the code u4vwg.

During the evening we would like all our parents, either before or after their meetings, to take 10 minutes in helping us review our school values. This will be a chance for you to have your say about what you think should be the important values we focus on at Plateau School. We are looking at slimming down our range of values to just 3-4 so that everyone knows them and can act on them both in school and at home. Please pop into the library where a Board member, staff member or parent representative will be helping facilitate this important review. Unfortunately we have had to cancel Mrs Brown's interviews as she is unable to be at school for the next two weeks. We will rebook those when we know she will be returning.

**Junior School Trip** - Many thanks to the parents and caregivers who have offered to come along on Thursday on the Junior trip to Capital E as part of the National Arts Festival. It promises to be a fun, engaging experience for our younger tamariki. <https://www.capitale.org.nz/>

**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)



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*

**School Hoodies** - We will be putting in an order for school hoodies. The cost will be \$35 (children's sizes) and \$40 (adult sizes). Sizes available are S, M, L, XL in both children and adult sizes. If you would like to place an order, please contact the office or email Suzanne on [office@plateau.school.nz](mailto:office@plateau.school.nz). Please state what size you would like and what you would like written on the back. Payment can be made to Plateau School BOT, 01-0771-0207296-000. Please use your name and "Hoodie" as a reference. Orders close next Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August.

**Junior School Trip** - This Thursday 9 August Pukeko, Tui and Tuatara rooms will be travelling into Wellington to enjoy Capital E's performance Odd One Out.

The cost for each child is \$10.00. Please ensure you sign the Signmee permission and either drop the money into the office, or pay via internet banking to Plateau School BOT, 01-0771-0207296-000 by tomorrow. Please use your name and Capital E as a reference. Thanks.



**SCHOLASTIC  
REWARDS**

**Did you know?**  
For every child in your class that orders from Book Club, on average, your school receives enough Scholastic Rewards to buy another book for the library, or classroom library shelves!

0800 266 525



SCHOLASTIC  **Book Club**

Orders for the current issue close tomorrow Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August.

## *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**

- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> - Scholastic Book Club closes
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> - Junior School Trip to Capital E
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> - Parent Teacher Interviews (3.20pm - 7.30pm)  
- Hoodie Orders close
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> - Teachers' Strike Action (school closed)
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> - Parent Teacher Interviews (3.20pm - 5.30pm)
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> - Maidstone Intermediate visiting Year 6 Students
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> - Netball Tournament (Year 5/6)
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Netball Tournament (Postponement Date)
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> - Daffodil Day

### **September**

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

### **TERM DATES FOR 2018**

- 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** – American Hot Dogs – (\$3.00 each). We do not have any gluten free American Hot Dogs / Rolls, but if you are gluten free, we have a gluten free sausage in gluten free bread option available.

## 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:** If you have to stand, put your bag on the floor and hold onto a seat back or handrail.



**PUSH PLAY!** - Ride on the flying fox at Maidstone Max.

**GREEN SPOT** - Tips for greener, cleaner living. Everyday ways for us to help make a healthier planet - Weatherise - Heating and air-conditioning account for almost half of home energy use. You can make your space more energy efficient by sealing drafts and ensuring it's adequately insulated.





Thank you to Julie, our Drama teacher, who took this gorgeous photo last Wednesday of the rainbow over our school. Just stunning!

## COMMUNITY NEWS




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# HUTT'S GOT TALENT

**OVER \$1500 IN AMAZING PRIZES**

<p><b>UNDER 18'S &amp; OVER 18'S CATEGORIES</b></p>	<p><i>Whether you're a solo musician, play in a band, are part of a dance troupe, or have a hidden talent you want to share on the big stage, we want to hear from you!</i></p>
<p><b>HEATS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13th August // Goodtime Music Academy</li> <li>14th August // Stokes Valley Community Hub</li> <li>15th August // Walter Nash Taika</li> <li>16th August // Wainuiomata Library</li> </ul>	<p><b>GRAND FINALS</b> 17TH AUGUST</p>

Go to [HGT.gtma.co.nz](http://HGT.gtma.co.nz) to learn more and book your act today!  
Registrations close 27th July.

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HUTT WINTER FESTIVAL

**Now over \$3,000 in prizes up for grabs!!!!**

# Term 4 Tennis Coaching

Royal Wellington Golf Club is hosting a nine week programme starting first week of Term 4. Days available are Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays. Members – \$90, Non members – \$130

Players will be taught hand/eye coordination, ball and racket skills, and technique. They will also learn how to score, play matches, and improve their tennis score.

## Mondays

- 3:30pm – 4:15pm  
- 4:15pm – 5:00pm

## Tuesdays

- 3:30pm – 4:15pm  
- 4:15pm – 5:00pm

## Thursdays

- 3:30pm – 4:15pm  
- 4:15pm – 5:00pm

If you have any questions or would like to book your child please email Emma on [Emma.Hayward@RoyalWellington.com](mailto:Emma.Hayward@RoyalWellington.com)



## Maidstone Intermediate

### FAMILY INFORMATION EVENING

Thursday 30 August

7.00 pm in the School hall

Redwood Street, Elderslea, Upper Hutt.

Parents and Caregivers of Year 6 students are invited to come along and see what Maidstone has to offer their children. After a welcome by the Principal and Student Leaders they will go on a tour of the school and see students at work in all the Technology and Arts areas and other students will share their options programmes. The school bands will also be practising and performing.

Tea and coffee will be provided.

Never let the fear of  
**STRIKING OUT**  
keep you from  
**playing the game**



Come and play Softball or Tee-ball for the 2018-2019 season with a family orientated club!

**REGISTRATION DAYS**

**Sunday 12 August & Sunday 19 August 2018**  
**11am—1pm**  
**Rimutaka Rugby Clubrooms, UPPER HUTT**

We are taking registrations for players in the following divisions:

**Tee-ball:** Under 5, Under 7, Under 9  
**Junior Softball:** Under 11, Under 13, Under 15, Under 18  
**Senior Softball:** Under 23 (Men), Presidents (Men),  
Major B (Women), Premier 2 (Men and Women)

Fees range from \$25.00 to \$160.00 depending on grade.

For more information head over to our club facebook page: Demons Softball Club ([@demonsoftballclubupperhutt](https://www.facebook.com/demonssoftballclubupperhutt))

Or alternatively contact us via email [sec.demons.softball@gmail.com](mailto:sec.demons.softball@gmail.com)  
Or text /call Rachel on 0277063869 or Brent on 021 468 450.