

11 August 2020

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HERO Issues - As you may be aware we switched from Linc-ed to HERO in the lockdown and we are planning to use HERO in the long term as our primary way to communicate with you. There have been some issues with you receiving notifications via the phone app so until these are resolved we have switched off app notifications and you should receive an email alerting you instead. We believe that once HERO is through these teething problems it will be an excellent product for us to keep you informed of your child's progress, push out information to you, and to receive feedback from you as well.

If you are having any issues with the HERO app or website please let us know at school (office@plateau.school.nz) so that we can follow up with the developers for you or help you ourselves if that is an option.

Parent Teacher Interviews and Goal Setting - While the COVID-19 lockdown severely impacted our normal assessment and reporting cycle, as it did for many schools, we are getting back on track now. It was great to hear from teachers how positive and productive the meetings we had last week were. The turnout was one of the best ever so thanks for making the effort and I know it was very beneficial for us, and I hope yourselves, to sit down and have a good korero about how things were going. This week we are reviewing the Literacy Goals for all our students, so if you pop onto HERO either through the app or on your computer, you will be able to see the progress made by your child in Reading and Writing against their goals and the goals that are currently set. You are able to help your child by focussing on these goals at home if you get a chance. If they are too "wordy" then please contact your child's teacher for more information on what the goal will mean and how you can best support them.

Teacher Only Day - Just a reminder that there will be a teacher only day **next** Friday, 21 August, so school will be closed for instruction on this day while teachers take part in Professional Development.

PB4L NEWS

PB4L at Plateau School....

PB4L is about building a school-wide culture of Positive Behaviour for Learning.

At Plateau School we are aiming: 'To create a safe, secure and positive school environment through a consistent approach to managing learning and behaviour.'

At Plateau one of our values is Pono/Honesty

- We tell the truth
- We do what we say we will
- We are fair



A special well done to one of our many PB4L stars- Mia Batson!

Mia is the first child at Plateau to achieve a values wristband for all 5 values. That means she has been given 25 values points for each and every value- kia kaha Mia!



OTHER NEWS

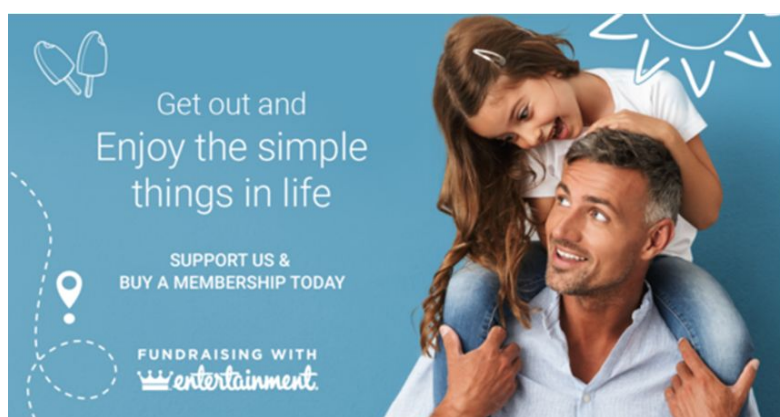
School Photos - Our annual school photos will be taken on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th August. Sue Allman will be the photographer again. This year prepaid envelopes will not be sent home, instead you can order online prior to the school photos being taken. The closing date for orders is 1pm on Tuesday 25th August. Please note that there will be a \$10 charge for late orders received after this date.

The link to the Sue Allman People Google form is: [PLATEAU School Photo Order Form](#)

Entertainment Book Fundraiser -

Entertain the family, save money and support our Fundraising whilst enjoying the simple things in life!

Help yourself to savings and support local today, 20% of every membership sold helps support Plateau School



<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/10531r1>

Thank you for your support and please share with your friends and family!

Daffodil Day - Once again we will be supporting the annual Daffodil Day fundraiser for the Cancer Society. This will be happening on Friday 28 August, and we will have a coin trail in each classroom, so please send your child along with a gold coin donation, and they will receive a fabric daffodil or sticker.

Onesie Day - This is another great cause that we fundraise for each year. This year Onesie day is on Friday 4th September, so come along in your Onesie and bring a gold coin donation!

Dental Van - Due to COVID levels 3 and 4, we have had to reassess our van visits to schools, and unfortunately we are now unable to complete all our van visits for this year.

We are prioritising schools with children with a high risk of dental decay. As Plateau School is low risk, the mobile van will not be visiting in 2020.

However we will be prioritising your school early in 2021.

If parents have any concerns regarding their child's dental care, need to update contact details or require an appointment, these can be done at our hub clinic. Please contact us on 0800 TALK TEETH (825583).

Maidstone Intermediate (Year 6 2020 Students) -



The timeline for 2021 enrolments are as follows:

Thurs 13 August- DP will come to Plateau School to talk to our Year 6 students
Thur 27 August - Family Information Evening, 7 - 8.30(See information below)
Early Sept - Year 6 students will visit Maidstone Intermediate
Friday 18 Sept - Enrolments close
Monday 14 Dec - Year 6 Classroom Placement Afternoon Visit, 3pm - 6pm

Family Information Evening - Parents and caregivers are invited to come along and see what Maidstone has to offer. After a welcome by the Principal and student leaders, you will go on a tour of the school and see students at work in the Technology and Arts areas and other students will showcase the many opportunities available at Maidstone. Tea and coffee will be provided.

HOUSE-KEEPING

Reminder on School Drop Off and Pickup - Just a reminder that after lockdown finished we did a review of our arrangements for drop off and pick up. We noticed our students (especially juniors) were so much more settled and independent with the "kiss and run" arrangement at the school gate in the morning. Also the end of the day was made much more manageable by parents waiting out of the line of sight of the classrooms until the bell goes, when the children are tidying up and getting ready for the end of the day. Parents entering the class or even visible through the windows are a big distraction. We also said that Friday was a good time to engage with your child's teacher if you would like to as we also have celebration as well that morning.

Riding Bikes to School - Just a reminder to children that ride their bikes / scooters, etc to school must walk them in and out of the school grounds.

Signmee - This is our communication channel between home and school re different events / trips, etc that are happening at school at present. Please check your emails for notifications of any new Signmees, then log in to see / action as necessary. If circumstances change and you need to amend any Signmee response, you are able to do this by logging back in and changing your reply.

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. Medical certificates are required for 5 or more days away from school due to sickness.

Before and 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. (Please note - it is not necessary to book them into Before School Care, however, students cannot be dropped off before 7.30am.)

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.
Before School Care operates between 7.30am and 8.30am and After School Care starts at 3pm and closes at 6pm. All children must be collected by 6pm at the latest.

Time sheets showing the balance owing will be emailed to you at the beginning of each month, for the month previous.

Toys at School - We understand that children want to bring their special toys to school to show their friends. However, we discourage this as, more often than not, the toys end up broken or missing, which is very upsetting for the children plus they can also cause a distraction in class. Please support us in this by ensuring your children do not bring their toys to school, as we take no responsibility for broken, lost or missing toys. Thanks.

<p><u>Parking</u> - Just a reminder that parking is not permitted in the school grounds between the hours of 8am - 4pm. Thanks.</p>
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

August

- Thursday 13th - Maidstone Intermediate Visiting Year 6's
- Tuesday 18th - BOT Meeting
- Friday 21st - Teacher Only Day (SCHOOL CLOSED)
- Wed 26th - School Photos
- Thursday 27th - School Photos
- Maidstone Intermediate Family Information Evening
- Friday 28th - Daffodil Day

September

- Tuesday 1st - Non-stop Cricket (years 3 - 6)
- Thursday 3rd - Non-stop Cricket (postponement date)
- Friday 4th - Onesie Day (Fundraiser for the Wellington Free Ambulance)
- Monday 7th - Science Roadshow (Kea & Ruru)
- Tuesday 8th - Year 6's Visit Maidstone Intermediate
- Regional Cross Country
- Thursday 10th - Regional Cross Country Postponement Date
- Tuesday 15th - Tee Ball (Years 1 - 6)
- Thursday 17th - Tee Ball Postponement Date
- Friday 18th - School Disco
- Maidstone Intermediate Enrolments for 2021 Close
- Friday 25th - Last Day of Term 3

October

- Monday 12th - First Day of Term 4
- Thursday 15th - National NZ Shakeout Day

November

December

- Monday 14th - Year 6 Class Placement Afternoon Visit at Maidstone Intermediate, 3pm - 6pm
- Tuesday 15th - Last day of Term 4

TERM DATES FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2020

- Term Three - Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September
- Term Four - Monday 12 October - Tuesday 15 December

There will be TWO Teacher Only Days this year (School Closed):

- Friday 21 August
- Friday 23 October

TERM DATES FOR 2021

Term One	- Thursday 4 February - Friday 16 April
Term Two	- Monday 3 May - Friday 9 July
Term Three	- Monday 26 July - Friday 1 October
Term Four	- Monday 18 October - Thursday 16 December

SCHOOL LUNCHES



School Lunches - School lunches this week:

Thursday – 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 - Fish & Chips or Hot Dog & Chips - \$6.00 each. Chips only - \$2.50.

A vibrant red poster for a "Disney Night Disco" event. Mickey Mouse is the central figure, roller skating with his arms raised. To his left, Minnie Mouse is also roller skating, and to his right, Goofy is roller skating. The background is a bright red with light rays and sparkles. Text on the poster includes the event name, date, time, and pricing.

Disney Night Disco

Saturday 22 August 2020

6.30pm to 8.30pm

Spot Prizes

Pizza and other snacks

for sale on the night.

Entry \$10.00
Club Members: \$6
Spectators: Free

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