



PMP HELPERS NEEDED!
(Perceptual Motor Programme)
Please email Shelly Findlay
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confirm your support for this
programme.

Welcome to Long Bay Primary

The school day

- Classroom doors open at 8:30 a.m.
- Return book bags, water bottles etc to the correct place.
- Students are not allowed to play on the adventure playground before school starts.
- Learning time starts at 8:55 a.m. and school concludes at 2:55 p.m.



Communication

- Parents are always welcome to come and discuss any concerns they may have about their child's well-being or progress. We aim to provide a happy, secure, caring environment with each child actively involved in the learning process.



What to bring to school

- A named water bottle at school every day. Please do not include fizzy drinks or fruit juice in the bottle.
- Our school is wrapper free so where possible do not include plastic or packaging.
- **Please don't send nuts or peanut butter sandwiches to school as we have children who are fatally allergic to them.**
- Uniform items, book bags, hats etc. All need to be clearly named.
- Sun hats are compulsory in term 1 and 4.

Home Learning

- It is vital that your child reads every day.
- Rimu team visit the library **every Friday**. Please return the books on time so your child can borrow new books each week.
- **Book bags:** Please help your child get into the habit of looking after books and returning books in book bags. The book bags protect our class reading books, library books and poetry books from rain and food/drink spills. If they forget their book bag, they will not be able to take a new book home.

Learning focus

- In term 1 the children develop a clear understanding of what is a learning-focused classroom.
- We want students to learn by working hard; to persevere, to care for themselves, each other and our environment.
- We are exploring the concept 'Turangawaewae' - A place where I belong...so watch this space!

Mahira Ako (Curious Learning)

Our Monday and Friday afternoon sessions offer open-ended play. Children have the chance to explore, create, construct and gain understandings of the world around them in an interest-based setting. As well as supporting our Science learning we are offering many activities to support other areas, such as fine and gross motor skills, questioning, cooperation, communication, exploring the senses, and much more.

PMP: Perceptual Motor Programme

PMP will run on a Monday from 11.00am-12.30pm for the Rimu team. It is a programme to assist the development of children's gross motor skills and also assists with the development of fine motor skills, essential in the learning of reading and writing.

Check out this [link](#) for more information on PMP.



Ngā mihi,

Rimu team - Year 1/2 class teachers

Room 6 - Shelley Findlay - shelleyf@longbayprimary.ac.nz

Room 7 - Katherine Aitken (Team Leader) - katherinea@longbayprimary.ac.nz

Room 8 - Fenneke Gingell - fennkeg@longbayprimary.ac.nz

Room 9 - Jitka Bloomfield - jitkab@longbayprimary.ac.nz

This term's Highlights

Week 3: Monday 18th February

Our visit to Awaruku Creek and Long Bay Park.

Parent/Teacher interviews:

Wednesday 20th February - book online at

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au> and

enter the following school code: tz58x



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Term 2 Swimming:

Each child has a half an hour swimming lesson at Northern Arena swim school. Children will travel to the pool by bus. Letters have been sent home detailing costs and swimming times. We also ask that you complete an ability questionnaire. The swimming instructors will group with reference to the questionnaire, and after initial observations of your child.

If you are able to help, please let your child's class teacher know. The questionnaire needs to be completed and returned as soon as possible.

Parent help



We welcome parent help in a variety of ways, so if you have some spare time and would like to help out in your child's classroom, please contact their teacher. Please **email** Shelley Findlay if you can help with our PMP programme this term.