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Paraparaumu Beach School

Newsletter 2018/03

13 February 2018

Upcoming Events

TERM 1

WEEK 3

Tues, 13 February

- Board Meeting—7pm

Wed, 14 February

- Chinese New Year activities (selected rooms/Years 5-8)

Thurs, 15 February

- PTA Meeting—Staffroom 7.30pm—all welcome

WEEK 4

Wed, 21 February

- Meet the Teacher night 2-8pm (School closes at 2pm)

WEEK 5

Wed, 28 February

- School Picnic 5-7pm

WEEK 9

Advance Notification:

Teachers have a Paid Union Meeting on Tues, 27 March. **School will close at 12.30pm on this day**

We Encourage Shady Behaviour

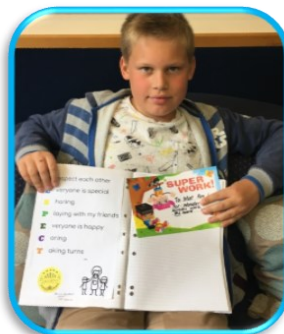
You've got it made if you stay in the shade!



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone,

We are well into the full swing of school now; the classes are settled and immersed in their learning. The pool is getting lots of use as expected and the students have been completing tasks around the school values and expectations. Here are two examples of their work;



"Excellence is doing your best. It means giving your best to any task or relationship. Be the best you can be."

By Charlie, Nyah, Taryn, Rico,
Jonny, Jamie

R- Respect each other
E - Everyone is Special
S - Sharing
P - Playing with my friends
E - Everyone is happy
C - Caring
T - Taking Turns
By Mat

I hope everyone has remembered to book in a slot for Meet the Teacher interviews next week. It's a great opportunity for parents and teachers to meet, and share information about the year ahead. I'll be around all evening too, so please feel free to drop into the office area for a chat or to share any celebrations or issues.

Kind regards

Jess Ward - Principal/Tumuaki

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENT

Vicki—Rm 24.

Welcome

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

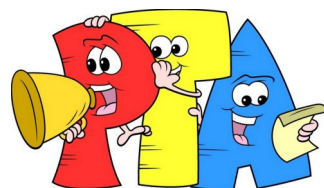
Parent -Teacher interviews, or “Meet the Teacher” as we often call it at the start of year, will be held on Wednesday, 21 February. Interviews, at this early stage of the year, are not reporting sessions. However, they are an excellent opportunity for parents and teachers to meet and for parents to pass on essential knowledge about their child and what makes them tick. To make a booking, go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz, enter the code q2jr2 and follow the prompts. *Bookings close at 9am on 21 February.*

NB: School closes at 2pm on this date to accommodate enough interview slots.

PTA MEETING

The PTA will meet this Thursday, 15 February at 7.30pm in the staffroom.

We welcome any new parents to help the committee to fundraise funds for our fantastic school.



IMPORTANT REMINDER—STUDENT LEAVE AND ABSENCES

Please remember to phone (298 5775) or text (027 755 7915) if your child is going to be absent from school (or late) for any reason. If you are taking your child out of school for a holiday or other occasion, then you must complete a Student Leave Form available from the office or on our Ultraset page before you go. Thank you.

KIDS QUOTE

Overheard teacher asking student about a new baby in the family:

“How’s your new baby going?”

“Good. This morning she actually looks quite cute. She doesn’t look like an extra terrestrial any more”!



WERE YOUR EARS BURNING?

Staff Gratitude Section

Thanks to Marie, Eva and Paula in our school office for their efficiency in managing our busy start to the year with 27 new enrolments. I take my hat off to them and how they co-ordinated everything without caffeine!



NB: This year we started with 643 students, which was slightly down on 2016’s starting figure of 654.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

We are really pleased to share our newly revamped school values and expectations with you (attached at the end of this newsletter). This final product is based on information gathered in a wide range of ways and from many different people. For example; we collected student voice through two surveys last year (including NZCER's Well Being at School Survey), we had a range of staff workshops and professional development sessions and we incorporated parent feedback gathered through the BoT parent survey.



You will see that we settled on five values; Cooperation, Respect, Excellence, Self Management and Tolerance. We feel these five values are very relevant to our school and as a combination wide ranging. The first letters also spell the word CREST. We decided to use this acronym, firstly as it makes it easier to remember, but also because it acts as a visual image

for everyone to refer to. Being a beach community, the water and the waves are important to us, as seen on our logo. We have been talking with the students about the CREST of a wave. When we are demonstrating these values and showing positive behaviour, it's like riding the CREST of the wave!

Posters in every classroom now display these school values and expectations. Students and teachers are working through the values to build an understanding of what they mean within their own class. The school values provide an important foundation for developing the class treaties / contracts.

Over the last two years, alongside this work, our staff have been learning about "Restorative Practice". Below is an understanding of Restorative Practice at PBS:

Restorative Practice

At PBS we use restorative practice. Restorative Practice promotes the development of well-rounded, socially and emotionally competent young people who are accountable for their behaviour and understand that what they do (or don't do) impacts on others in some way. (Thorsborne).

Relationships are at the heart of restorative practice. We believe that mis-behaviour impacts negatively on interpersonal relationships and restorative practice seeks to heal and put things right.

Restorative conferences provide a framework for cooperatively solving problems. All people involved will be heard and listened to, and be part of a fair process. Appropriate consequences and outcomes will be decided upon. We believe exposure to restorative strategies will empower students over time.

I encourage you to go onto our website and look at the Positive Behaviour document in full. Hopefully it will give you more information on how we are working with all the students at PBS. Feel free to talk to us if you have any further questions.

Mike Thomas, Deputy Principal

RECENT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Archery: Another great achievement at the weekend for Jenson Young coming first at the Wellington Champs Archery Tournament. Congratulations!



MAKING PAYMENTS

Please refer to last week's newsletter for details on making payments to the school. Don't forget Eftpos facilities will no longer be available from Friday, 2 March. The following are now due:

- ◇ Donation – Family \$100.00
- ◇ Donation – 1 Child \$65.00
- ◇ Athletics (Yrs 2-8) \$10.00
- ◇ Technology (Yrs 7/8) \$60.00
- ◇ Stationery Contribution (Yrs 0-2) \$10.00



BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, welcome back everyone to what promises to be a year of significant projects at Paraparaumu Beach School.

After many years of planning and design, the rework of two of our classroom blocks has finally commenced. We thank you for your co-operation over the Christmas break in leaving the builders to get on with the work with as little disturbance as possible. This has meant that some great progress has been made to date.

The classrooms impacted have been distributed around the school, which has a flow on effect for areas such as the library and hall. The management and staff have done an awesome job to keep the school running with so many rooms out of action.

The playground equipment updates are also getting under way this year. We appreciate that the additional disruption and loss of playground space while the work is under way is not ideal. We are, however, looking forward to seeing how the equipment (selected with the help of the students) looks and works in our school.

During regular checks last year our property manager found that the large poles that held up the shade sail over the playground are at the end of their useful life. In the interests of safety the school management decided that putting the shade sails back up would not be wise and the Board fully supports that position. The options for replacement, or other shade solutions, are being currently investigated and will be decided on in the near future.

We are looking forward to a busy, but awesome, 2018.

Julian Morrin
Board Chair

GET FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL WITH KELLOGG'S AND NEW WORLD

For every New World receipt dropped into the instore collection box showing the purchase of two participating Kellogg's products, our school will be able to redeem 1 free book. Promotional Period 1 Jan-31 March 2018. Max 20 books per school. For full list of participating Kellogg products and terms and conditions visit www.kelloggs.com/freebooks



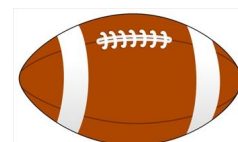
NEW WORLD

Kellogg's

TOUCH RUGBY

School vs School Touch Rugby Tournament being played on Sunday, 25 March. Any child wanting to trial for the U10 PBS team needs to be at Mazengarb Reserve on Sunday, 18 Feb at 3pm or Saturday, 17 Feb at 3pm for the School vs School U12s.

If for any reason this is cancelled, a notice will be posted on the School Facebook page by Sunday lunchtime.





Paraparaumu Beach School

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Embrace our Education ~ Enhance our Future

Our school values are the foundations to positive interactions and outcomes

Cooperation	Respect	Excellence	Self Management	Tolerance
Cooperation is working together for the good of everyone.	Respect is an attitude of caring, kindness and treating others how we would like to be treated.	Excellence is doing your best. It means giving your best to any tasks or relationship. Be the best 'you' you can be!	Self Management is being responsible and prepared so others can depend on you.	Tolerance is showing understanding and accepting others the way they are. We are all unique.
At PBS this means:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Sharing -Considering other people's needs -Keeping everyone safe and happy -Teamwork 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Caring -Using kind words and actions -Including others -Listening to others -Respecting property and the environment -Being courteous and thankful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Demonstrating perseverance and resilience -Never giving up -Giving things a go -Setting goals -Learning from mistakes -Being an upstander, not a bystander -'Better Never Stops' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Being prepared for the day and learning -Staying in control of emotions -Owning your actions -Fess Up, Face Up and Fix Up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Being patient -Celebrating and accepting differences -Accepting that mistakes happen and showing forgiveness -Dealing with problems in a positive manner -Being flexible

Expectations

- We stay in bounds. This means we are not:
 - On the school drive and in the car park
 - Behind the caretaker's sheds on the field
 - In trees
 - On fences or in a neighbour's property
 - Behind Room 17-27 (unless in the garden with an adult)
 - Down the bank at the back of the field
 - Beyond the red lines
- Students will follow instructions promptly.
- We wear sun hats in terms one and four.
- We sit down to eat our lunches where our teacher can supervise us.
- We do not have chewing gum or fizzy drinks at school.
- We walk bikes, scooters and other wheels, from the blue lines, into and out of the school grounds.
- We do not have toys or collectables at school.
- We play safely at school. We do not have play fighting.
- Tackle games are supervised by a qualified adult.
- We stay outside at break times unless our teacher has written our name on the board.
- Student cellphones are not to be used between 9 and 3pm.