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Paraparaumu Beach School

Newsletter 2018/12

1 May 2018

Upcoming Events

TERM 2

WEEK 1

Tues-Fri

- Life Education visiting PBS (Yrs 1/2)

Tues, 1 May

- Te Motu (Yr 7/8) Gymnastics at Kapiti Gym (for the next 3 Tuesdays)

Fri, 4 May

- Te Motu (Yr 7/8) Softball (for the next 3 Fridays)

WEEK 2

Mon, 7 May—9.20am

- Whole School Assembly (as postponed from T1)

Tues, 8 May

- Kiwisports starts Tuesday (11.30-12.30 Yr 3) and Friday (2-2.50 Yr 4)

Fri, 11 May

- Interschool swimming sports "Swim Festival"

WEEK 3

Fri, 18 May

- "Attitude Team" visiting Yr 7/8 (Puberty Workshops)
- Pink Shirt Day—Anti Bullying

WEEK 4

Tues, 22 May

- Te Moana (Yr 5/6) Syndicate Cross Country (pp Thurs, 24 May)

- Student Council Conference

Fri, 25 May

- Te Motu (Yr 7/8) Cross Country (pp Mon, 28 May) TBC

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello and welcome to Term 2!

Hooray, we have finally moved into our freshly refurbished rooms today! Rooms 5 - 8 are looking incredibly crisp and inviting, and I just know students and staff are going to love working in these spaces. Students in Rooms 1 - 4 moved out today into their temporary classrooms so that the makeover of their classrooms can commence. Feel free to pop in and take a look!

As you may have read in the last newsletter, I spent the two week term break on a Principals Delegation to China, visiting schools in Xiamen and Beijing. This Delegation was funded by Victoria University and the Confucius Institute. It was the most fascinating tour. We visited some primary schools, middle schools, high schools, an International School, Xiamen University, the NZ Embassy in Beijing, the Confucius Headquarters and China's Education Bureau. For the most part, what I saw varied hugely from our education system in New Zealand. There were probably more differences than similarities, but it was obvious that both countries want the best for their students. Both countries have dedicated and hardworking teachers (who put in long hours) and our systems are both striving to have future focused curriculums.



One of the things that China is making attempts to address is pollution and air quality. It made me realise that whilst Kiwis enjoy fresh air and clean oceans, there is so much more we can do to improve things. Our students are more mindful of this than older generations. Note to self: I must remember my recyclable bags every time I go to the supermarket!

Ka kite ano

Jess Ward - Principal/Tumuaki

Welcome to our New Students

Emily—Rm 18, Kade—Rm 11, Aliyah—Rm 20, Alyssa—Rm 20, Jericho—Rm 18, Serenity—Rm 7, Dean—Rm 6, Bailey—Rm 20 and Zoe—Rm 20



PINK SHIRT DAY is coming!

On Friday, 18 May we are joining schools and workplaces around NZ to acknowledge Pink Shirt Day. Pink Shirt Day is about working together to stop bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting positive social relationships. PBS kids know that bullying is not ok, and neither is standing aside and letting it happen to others. It would be wonderful for as many kids as possible to wear a pink top or attach pink items to a white top.

Speak Up. Stand Together.

Stop Bullying

SCOOTER COURT

For most of Term 2, we will not be using the area between the staffroom and the flag pole for scootering, as building work on Rooms 1-4 now means staff have to park some cars here. Students will be able to use their scooters on the fenced netball court next to the pool instead.

Remember we encourage students to wear helmets when scootering – Thanks.



CYBER SAFETY

Last term I was made aware of some inappropriate use of social media (via Instagram), outside of school hours. The digital world our kids are growing up in is very hard for them to navigate without adult support, which is why Facebook, Instagram and alike have a joining age. If your child has an account and they are not 13 years old, are you aware of their activity?



Issues that occur outside of school hours may seem like none of the school's business, however nine times out of ten such issues filter back into school, affecting student's social interactions, well-being and learning.

Cyber-safety is not something we had to deal with as children, but it is very much a part of the world kids now are growing up in. Kids need to know that what they post online, stays online and they need to know that there are consequences for inappropriate internet behaviour. We do our best to educate students about cyber safety and cyberbullying, and we strongly encourage parents to have safety measures in place at home too e.g. *device use only in the lounge, no devices in bedrooms after lights out, regular conversations about keeping ourselves safe etc*

As adults working together, we can help our kids stay safe by setting boundaries, being open to talking about any worries kids may have and showing them how technology can be used to its potential in a safe way. Thanks everyone.

STUDENT WORK

At the end of Term 1 Merenia and Alyra from Room 28 were 'caught' running their own Kapa Haka group for juniors. Their teacher, Mrs Winter, said her students are loving Kapa Haka so much that they look forward to their session each Monday. The proof is rubbing off – thanks girls. A big thanks to Cath Franks, Rangi Halbert and David Parr for enabling Kapa Haka to be such a success.



HOCKEY—IMPORTANT NOTICE

There have been changes to the start of the hockey season for 2018 as follows:

- ◇ Yr 7/8—Tuesday 1 & 8 May—5-6.15pm
- ◇ Yr 5/6—Wednesday 2 & 9 May—3.45-5pm
- ◇ Yr 3/4—Sunday 6 & 13 May—10-11.30am
- ◇ Yr 1/2—Sunday 6 May—8.45-9.45am

Sorry for the confusion.

Ms Wilson



RECENT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Inter-School Show Jumping Competition: Congratulations to Alex Kenny Schlup of Rm 10 who participated in the Interschool Show Jumping Competition last term. She did well with two clear rounds.

Surfing: Congratulations also to Billie Marshall of Rm 10 for winning the Salt Shack Surfing Competition recently.

JUICEES & COOKIES

Juicees and cookies will be for sale again on Friday lunchtimes outside Rm 17—\$1 each.

Juicees



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Please note—community notices are accepted on a “publication if space allows” basis (thus no guarantee of publication can be given) three times per term (start/middle/end); a **small contribution of \$10 to the school for short “business” notices is appreciated before publication**; and finally and importantly, the publishing in the school newsletter of any community notice does not imply school sanctioning of, support for, or knowledge of the event or activity described

Hookway Tutoring: I offer regular lessons at Paraparaumu Beach School in language skills and maths for 30 mins/week. In the afternoons and weekends I also offer regular weekly tuition or one-off lessons for exams in college maths and science Yrs 9-11 and maths and biology through to Yr 13. I have 35 years of teaching and tutoring experience and regular police check updates. Further details can be viewed at www.hookwaytutoring.co.nz or contact Brian Hookway directly via hookwaytutoring@gmail.com or Ph 902 2453 or 021 179 0223.

In the Footsteps of the Marines: The 7th Annual Kapiti Joggers and Walkers “In the Footsteps of the Marines” event takes place at Whareroa Farm on Sunday, 27 May. Entry fee is \$25. Late entries on the day from 8.15am—\$30. There will be three categories as in previous years. For more info and to register, go to <http://enteronline.co.nz>.

Paraparaumu Junior Badminton: Started 30 April in the Kapiti College old gym for Yrs 4-7 running from 5-6pm. Yrs 8 and above runs from 6-7pm. \$3/night or \$25/term. Contact Mike Robertson on 027 282 4589.

Hoop Club Kapiti—Jnr Basketball Coaching Programme—T2 2018: Paraparaumu sessions re-start Sunday, 6 May to Sunday, 1 July at Paraparaumu College Community Sportshall, Mazengarb Road as follows: 9.30-10.30am for 5-7yr olds; 10.30-11.30am for 8-10yr olds; 11.30-12.30pm for 11-17yr olds. All new players welcome. Contact Angelo Robinson on 904 0142 or contact@hoopclubkapiti.nz.

Solway College Open Day: Saturday, 12 May from 10am-2pm. We are an integrated Yr 7-13 day and boarding school for girls in a small school with Christian and family values. See www.solwaycollege.school.nz for more info.

Wesley College Open Day: Thursday, 14 June from 11am. Register your interest by contacting us on admin@wesley.school.nz.

He Tohu Whanau Day—19 May: Entertainment, arts and crafts, kai, korero at National Library of NZ, 70 Molesworth Street, Wellington from 10am-2.30pm. See events.natlib@dia.govt.nz. He Tohu is a permanent exhibition of three iconic constitutional documents that shape Aotearoa New Zealand. (The Declaration in Independence of the United Tribes of NZ, The Treaty of Waitangi and the Women’s Suffrage Petition).

Crawshaw Music School: Taking private music lessons and band class applications now. We specialise in one on one lessons at a great rate of \$32 per half class. Our teachers have years of experience teaching privately. We teach guitar, piano, keyboards, singing, drums, bass, ukulele, flute and band. Write to aj@crawshawmusicschool.co.nz to get a free trial lesson booked at our Sheffield Street studio today.

