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Paraparaumu Beach School

Newsletter 2019/17

4 June 2019

Upcoming Events

TERM 2

WEEK 6

- **Tues, 4 June**
 - ◊ Te Moana Yr 5-6 and Te Motu Yr 7-8 Cross Country events
- **Thurs, 6 June**
 - ◊ College Language Teachers visiting Te Motu classes
 - ◊ "Project Jonah" visiting Ngaru team
- **Fri, 7 June**
 - ◊ BOT Election Day and voting closes

WEEK 7

Trial of "Play, Eat, Learn" begins

Life Education classes for Te Moana this week

- **Tues, 11 June**
 - ◊ BOT Meeting 7pm in the staffroom
- **Wed, 12 June**
 - ◊ Yr 7 Boostrix Immunisations
 - ◊ Inter-school Cross Country

WEEK 8

Life Education classes for Te Moana this week

- **Tues, 18 June**
 - ◊ Yr 8 visit to Paraparaumu College
 - ◊ Kids Yoga—Yr 5/6

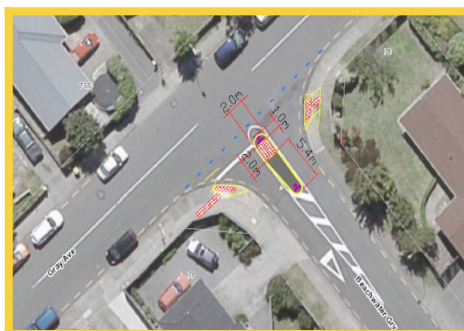
PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

June Greetings

Winter is never the best time for roadworks outside a school, however, we are particularly excited about one project which will be happening soon. This project, referred to as "Jack's Island", will see a pedestrian refuge installed at the top of Beachwater Grove, where it intersects with Gray Avenue. This KCDC roading project was initiated by one of our pupils, Jack Stephens.



It all started when Jack wrote a letter to the Editor of the Kapiti News to explain the dangers for kids crossing at this intersection. Jack was seeking a solution to this problem. Jack received a speedy reply from the Editor telling him that the Mayor was interested in meeting with Jack and his parents to canvas Jack's ideas.



Since then Jack and I have met with the Mayor and KCDC's Traffic Engineer, Gary Adams, to discuss the suitability of a refuge in this spot. In Term 1 this year, Jack was delighted to hear that the project had been approved and would be constructed in June. How cool it is now to watch this 10 year old student's plea for

safer roads come to fruition! You inspire us Jack!

Kind regards

Jess Ward - Principal ~ Tumuaki

PS: Don't forget to register for the [School Fun Run fundraiser](#)! See notice from the PTA later in this newsletter.

RECENT NEW STUDENTS

Welcome to our new students who started today: Wihan - Rm 25 and Karli—Rm 28.

POOL MATTING

Thanks to a \$5,000 grant from Sargood Bequest we are in the process of laying some safety matting around areas of the pool. If future funding allows we will extend this, but in the meantime we're really pleased to have this ready for Term 4 swimmers.



WERE YOUR EARS BURNING? Staff Gratitude Section

Health and Safety is a huge task in any school and it takes vigilant staff to keep on top of this to keep us all safe. So I'd like to give a big shout-out to Kathryn Siversen and John Trask for their dedication to making sure PBS is a safe place to work, learn and play!

CHANGES TO THE SCHOOL TIMETABLE

Our trial for Play, Eat, Learn starts next week. The changes are:

- 8.55 - 10.00 - Learn - Morning session
- 10.00- 10.05 - Eat - Fruit Break
- 10.05-10.50 Learn - Morning session continues
- 10.50-11.10 Play
- 11.10-11.20 Eat - Morning tea
- 11.20 - 12.50 Learn - Middle block
- 12.50 - 1.35 Play
- 1.35-1.50 Eat - Lunch
- 1.50-3.00 Learn - Afternoon session



KID'S QUOTE

It's a sign of the times that we have a growing number of kids who are not familiar with using a landline phone. The office staff often have to give students a little tutorial when they come in asking to ring home. Recently one student was talking away to her parent and had to ask: "How do I hang up?"



STUDENT WORK

Here are just a few of the fantastic watercolour artworks created by Room 8 students recently. Pop into their classroom to see more inspiring examples!



SCHOOL FUN RUN—25 JUNE

The School Fun Run will be happening in just three weeks, so if you haven't already registered your child online, please do so by going to the following website www.schoolfundraising.co.nz and clicking on the student sign-up button. Every child that raises \$10 will be able to choose a prize and will go into the draw to win a family holiday worth \$20,000.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the fun run. If you can spare an hour or so of your time, please contact Sheryl McKnight on smcknight@pbs.schoo.nz.



NGARU SYNDICATE CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

Well done to all of the Ngaru students who participated in last week's syndicate cross country. A special congratulations goes out to the top 3 place getters for each year group:

Year 3 Girls

1st Mia Thomson

2nd Holly McCullagh

3rd Phoebe Corin

Year 3 Boys

1st Corey Whitfield

2nd Shion Tavendale

3rd Zachary Leeksmā

Year 4 Girls

1st Renae Vertongen

2nd Emily Johnstone

3rd Anika Rehal

Year 4 Boys

1st Lochie Martine

2nd Zac Chandler

3rd Keegan Baker





IMPORTANT REMINDER RE ABSENCES

Please remember that it is very important that you advise the office if your child is going to be absent from school. Please text a message to 027 755 7915, phone/leave a message on the landline (04) 298 5775 (by 9am on the day of absence), message us through Skool Loop or complete a student leave form (if applicable). **If no reason is given for an absence, then that student is coded as truant.**

SKOOL LOOP

The App

Are you being 'kept in the loop' with goings-on at our school? If you haven't down-loaded the free app yet, then go to Google Play or the App Store, search 'Skool Loop' and choose our school once installed.

Subscribing to Groups

Did you know that when you click on "Notices" in the app there are 3 lines at the top right of the screen? If you click on this symbol you can subscribe to notices for individual syndicates (and some classrooms), as well as general notices? Check it out today!

Queries

If you have any queries, please contact Libby Richardson in the office between 12 and 4pm.

KINDO—OUR PREFERRED METHOD OF PAYMENT

Make your busy life simpler by signing up to Kindo! The fast and convenient way to shop, pay for trips and give permissions. This is quick and easy and requires no filling out of paper forms/permissions or finding cash in the busy morning rush!

To set yourself up today [click here](#).

Automatic Payments

Don't forget you can set up an automatic payment any time in Kindo to start saving for your child's camp fees, or any expenses for that matter—just like automatic payments through your bank. *Please note: We no longer accept automatic payments direct to our school bank account.*

Questions

Any questions call the Kindo Help Desk on 0508 4KINDO or ask Libby at the school office between 12 and 4pm.



YEAR 3/4 MIDWEEK MUNCHIES

Mid-week munchies have now finished for the Ngaru Syndicate. Thank you for everyone's support.



MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

In the medical room we are happy to administer prescribed medication at school when required. In these situations parents / caregivers need to complete the 'Administering Prescribed Medication' form.

In terms of transporting medication, it is important that parents / caregivers deliver the prescribed medication themselves to the office. We have been concerned that a small number of children have brought medication to school and we would hate for it to go missing from a school bag.

Thanks

Mike Thomas
Deputy Principal



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