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Paraparaumu Beach School

Newsletter 2018/14

15 May 2018

Upcoming Events

WEEK 3 (*Bully Free NZ Week*)

Tues, 15 May

- Board meeting—7pm
- Te Motu Gymnastics Programme

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

WEEK 5

Mon, 28 May

- Ngaru Cross Country practice walk through

Tues, 29 May

- Ngaru Syndicate Cross Country event (pp 30 May)

WEEK 6

Mon, 4 June

- Queens Birthday—**SCHOOL CLOSED**

Tues, 5 June

- Inter-schools Cross Country event (pp 7 June)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone

Speak Up. Stand Together. Stop Bullying

As a child I remember being bullied in the playground. Even though it was 40 years ago now I remember the words the other girl would say, on a regular basis, and the way it made me feel about myself. I remember her laugh, I remember her towering over me and I remember the way I would hide the ‘flaw’ (the thing she labelled as a flaw –not me) for years to come. I was a shy but friendly child, why was she picking on me? I could never really answer that question; I’m not even sure if I ever told a teacher or my parents about her. I tried to laugh it off and put up with it, but what I needed to do was SPEAK UP.

Not all behaviours that happen in schools, in playgrounds, in workplaces and out in society are examples of bullying, but simply a poor behaviour choice. Sometimes poor behaviour is a spur of the moment, poor decision or a response to anger, upset, or an assumed slight. It’s important for kids to understand the difference between a poor behaviour choice and bullying, so we can work towards tackling the issue.

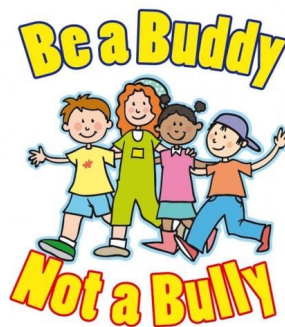
So how is bullying defined? There are four widely accepted factors that can be used to identify bullying behaviour -

1. **Bullying is deliberate** - harming another person intentionally
2. **Bullying involves a misuse of power in a relationship**
3. **Bullying is usually not a one-off** - it is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated over time
4. **Bullying involves behaviour that can cause harm** - it is not a normal part of growing up.

The PINK SHIRT campaign is a message to everyone to SPEAK UP, STAND TOGETHER and STOP BULLYING. The first step is to tell someone - after all, a problem shared is a problem halved.

Warm regards

Jess Ward - Principal/Tumuaki



Welcome to our New Student

Dakota—Rm 20.



PINK SHIRT DAY

As you are probably aware, we are taking part in Pink Shirt Day this Friday, 18 May. Wearing a Pink Shirt is a great way to show that we know that bullying is NOT okay. Our kids also know that we can be upstanders not bystanders by helping others who are having a hard time. We can do lots of cool kind things to keep school being an awesome place.

Pink Shirt Day is part of Bully Free NZ week (14-18 May). Our wonderful Student Council have put together an awesome programme which is going well.

- Monday:** **Start the conversation!** Posters are delivered to classes.
- Tuesday:** **Random act of kindness** around the school.
- Wednesday:** Pink shirt day **certificates** provided, that the teachers will give out for some students who really represent anti-bullying.
- Thursday:** Classes **create a display, or decorate a space** that shows how your class feels about a Bully Free School.
- Friday:** **Pink Shirt Day**, come dressed in PINK. You could also wear a white shirt with pink decoration.



PARENT DONATIONS

Our Board of Trustees appreciates the support of the school community through payment of the school donation. All state schools operate on grants received from the government, the major portion of which goes to wages, maintenance and general operating costs. Therefore, schools ask all families for a voluntary donation to assist with the provision of resources and equipment. **This year all school donations at PBS will go towards playground enhancements and upgrades.** The school donation for one child is \$65 and \$100 for two or more children. A receipt will be provided and this may be used for tax deduction purposes.

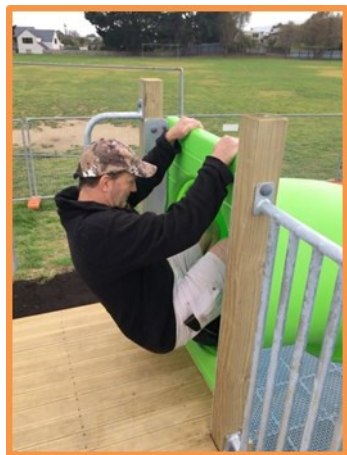


Thank you for your support.

PLAYGROUND THANKS

Thanks to the PTA, parent donations already received and the Board of Trustees for making the funds available for our new playground. As our applications for grant monies were unsuccessful, we had to use the backup plan of releasing some money the school had on term deposit, which we've kept aside for such projects.

The students, and staff, absolutely love the new equipment and matting. Thanks also to The Playground People Ltd and Playbases Ltd for their efficient and timely work.



KIDS QUOTE

'A pole banged into me in the playground'



WERE YOUR EARS BURNING? Staff Gratitude Section

Yesterday at lunchtime kids and teachers from Ngaru Syndicate surprised us with a Flash Mob to celebrate Sign Language Week! It was obvious that weeks of practice had gone into learning the song and the sign language to "No Place like Home" by Tiki Taane. Thanks to Sarah Smith for organising this fun and unexpected event.

A huge shout-out of thanks must also go to our magnificent Teacher Aide Deb Schreiber who helped me clean all the school's bathrooms while Mr Trask was on leave for three days last week. This wasn't a job we could leave to our teenage cleaners, so Deb and I took on the challenge.....a challenge we won't forget quickly!

Thanks Deb!

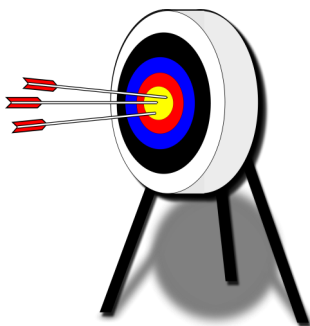
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STUDENT WORK

The kids of Room 23 have been busy making icecream and yesterday I was chosen as a 'taste-tester'. From the very first mouthful of Mango icecream my taste buds were in heaven. This recipe (using real mango pulp) needs to be produced and sold countrywide – wow!

Talking of busy junior kids, I just love watching young creative minds at work; just look at these clever Room 22 students. Learning through play is a wonderful component of our junior classrooms and a component that is vital for stretching their skills and extending oral language.



RECENT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Archery: Congratulations to Jenson Young who won the NZ Field Archery National Championships over the weekend. Jenson is top in his age group for the whole country!

Amazing achievement Jenson!

BLANKETS REQUIRED

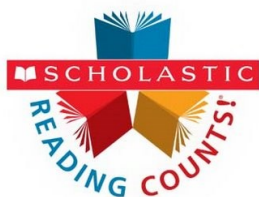
Does anyone have any spare blankets they would like to donate to the school for our civil defence box? We would preferably like a couple of single wool blankets that could be used in an emergency, however, any good, clean type/size would be gratefully accepted by the office.

Thank you.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ORDERS

Orders for Issue 3 are due back by 9am on this Friday, 18 May.



If you order using the student order form and place your payments in the money box outside the staffroom, you cannot pay by credit card, only by cheque (**payable to Scholastic NZ**) or cash (**we cannot provide change for cash orders**).

Scholastic LOOP (online) orders, order as usual from the website **mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz**. Please make sure you choose Paraparaumu Beach School (don't enter the postal code) and your child's teacher's name and room when you place your order. If you order online, **DO NOT** return any paper work to school. Thanks.

NEW!! Easy lunch orders – Wednesdays and Fridays from this week!

Support our school and get a fabulous fresh lunch! Starting from this week you can start ordering lunch from **New World Kapiti** on Wednesdays and Fridays using our Kindo online school shop. The new lunch options include warm meals, sandwiches and other bread products, sushi, snacks, fresh fruit and drinks. (See menu in last week's newsletter) **Lunches will only be available to Kindo users.**



Order **any time before 9am** on the day or schedule in advance. Lunch will be delivered to school at lunchtime. Gluten free options will be specified once the menu is available online.

5% of all sales go to school fundraising – easy for you and great for the school!

Help? hello@mykindo.co.nz or tel. 0800EZLUNCH term time 8am-4pm.

www.ezlunch.co.nz or www.mykindo.co.nz

If you haven't already signed up for Kindo, all you need is your email address, which matches the one held by the school. To register, go to our school website <http://paraparaumubeach.ultranet.school.nz> and click on the "Shop" menu button. There you will see links to click on for "First Time users" to Kindo and a link to follow for "Registered Users". You can also see a link to a demonstration video to help get you started.

MIDWEEK MUNCHIES

Ngaru Syndicate are fundraising for their end of year EOTC trip. Midweek munchies will start this week on Wednesday, 16 May and run for four weeks.



JUICEES & COOKIES

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

