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Paraparaumu Beach School

Newsletter 2017/02

7 February 2017

Upcoming Events

TERM 1

WEEK 4

Tues, 21-Fri, 24 February

- Yr 3/4 Beach Ed trips to Paekakariki Surf Lifesaving Club
- Thurs, 23 February*
- Meet the Teacher night (school closes at 2pm on this day)

Fri, 24 February

- New Entrant Parent Meeting—9.15 am

WEEK 5

Tues, 28 February

- Board Meeting—7pm
- Wed, 1 March*
- School Picnic—5-7pm
- Thurs, 2 March*
- PTA Meeting—7pm in the staffroom—All welcome

WEEK 6

Tues, 7-Fri, 10 March

- Te Moana Camp "A" - Rms 1, 4 and 28

WEEK 7

Tues, 14-Fri, 17 March

- Te Moana Camp "B" - Rms 2, 3 and 29

WORD OF THE WEEK

Te Kupu o te Wiki

Kakahu tou potae

Wear your hat!

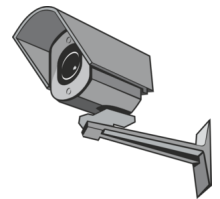


PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone,

I hope Waitangi Day weekend was enjoyed with family, whether at home or away. We had a wonderful first week back last week; it's always a delight to see excited, happy kids around the place. I managed to get around to every class to welcome the kids back and wish them a successful year at school. It's amazing just how much taller some students are looking after just 6 weeks!

Over the school Christmas holidays we experienced a spate of nuisance vandalism. As a result we have had security cameras installed around the property which will hopefully minimise future risks. We would also like to ask all of our parent community to remain vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour to the police. Thank you.



Warm regards

Jess Ward – Principal/Tumuaki

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent -Teacher interviews, or "Meet the Teacher" as we often call it at the start of year, will be held on Thursday, 23 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 k7yut and follow the prompts. *Bookings will close at 9am on 23 February.*

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

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO...

Siyrus—Rm 24, Whai—Rm 26, Luka—Rm 24 and Tathagat—Rm 28.

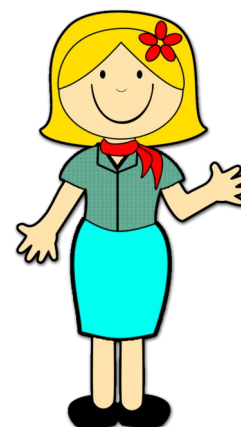
NEW ENTRANT PARENT INFORMATION PRESENTATION—TATAHI SYNDICATE

A New Entrant Information Presentation will be held for all parents of new children (5 year olds) on Friday, 24 February from 9.15-10.15am.

This session will:

- ◆ Provide an overview of the 'Transition to School'
- ◆ Provide an overview of the New Entrant Programme in reading, writing and mathematics
- ◆ Highlight how you can help at home with learning, and explain the purpose of the Home Learning Books

In Tatahi Syndicate, we believe that successful partnerships between home and school are established when both parties have a shared expectation and knowledge of their child's learning. We would love to see you there.



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SCHOOL DRIVEWAY

Schools are busy areas, where there are lots of children who do not always understand the danger of driveways, roads or vehicles. Therefore, for their safety and your own please do not walk through the staff carpark before or after school. This is a busy area with vehicles coming and going who may not always see pedestrians. We ask that you use the entrance between the school hall and the library when bringing or collecting children to and from school. Also, the entrance between the hall and the library is to be used by those on bikes. You are to walk your bike to the bike racks and then walk back to the main path.

Gray Ave Traffic

A huge thank you! At this stage it seems that parents who are dropping off or collecting their children have remembered what the parking restrictions are around our school. This is appreciated as it means we are all keeping our children safe. On saying this, if you do happen to see a vehicle parked in the clearway or the drop off zones and have your cell phone with you, please take a photo of the number plate and email it to me or the police. On the email please include the day and the time the photo was taken and where the vehicle was parked e.g. drop off zone or clearway on Gray Ave. The email addresses to use are vwilson@pbs.school.nz or Susan.Bush@police.govt.nz

Vicki Wilson

HALL—FAMILY NAMES



When our school hall was first constructed in 1994, families could pay to have their family/kids names around the architrave. You may have noticed that the original names were reinstated during our refurb. Money collected from this signage was put towards part of the project. With space available we are now offering the families of 2017 the same opportunity. Funds raised will be put towards new appliances for the hall kitchen.

The price is \$15 per word, not including 'and' eg

- ◆ "James Gilman" = \$30
- ◆ "Wiremu and Tiana Hopkins" = \$45
- ◆ "Sally, Ben and Chloe Marsh" = \$60

If you are interested, please email Marie in the office on mbarfoote@pbs.school.nz and pay the money into the school account with 'Hall name' as the reference—BNZ Account 02 0733 0032819 000.

SMOKEY THE SCHOOL CAT

Hi my name is Smokey. I'm the school cat. I was adopted by the staff in December 2015 because I was lonely, skinny and trying to eat out of the school bins. Some PBS kids gave me the name Smokey. During the school day I love helping Mr Trask open the classrooms and snoozing in the sunny staffroom. Sometimes kids come and read to me and give me pats. My favourite part of the week is staff meeting! I go to every meeting and if there isn't a spare seat I choose a teacher's lap to sit on. The staff donate all the food I eat; sometimes I get tuna which is my favourite meal.

Last week I had to go to the vet because I injured my hip and foot. I couldn't put any weight on it and was in lots of pain. The vet had to sedate me to take xrays. My treatment and medication cost \$396.00, so if you wish to donate a few dollars there's a donation jar in the office.

Thanks from Smokey



PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS 2017—SURVEY

This survey only has two simple questions, so it will take you under two minutes to complete! We value your opinions so please keep your responses coming. Please follow the link below and share your thoughts with us, so that we can plan to meet the needs of our parent community. <https://goo.gl/forms/2hTpAJ9kMAZRj3E22>

YEAR 5/6 CAMP

Thank you to all the parents who have been working so hard in raising funds for Te Moana Syndicate Camp. We have one big event planned for Saturday, 11 February (see below). Please contact Treena on 021 487 336 or Rose on 0274 425 114 if you are able to assist in any way or want to purchase tickets. Camp dates are:

Camp A—Tues, 7-Fri, 10 March

Rooms 1, 4 and 28

Camp B—Tues, 14-Fri, 17 March

Rooms 2, 3 and 29

Keep checking for newsletters regarding camp as there will be lots of information in the lead up to camp.



ROCK N BINGO NIGHT—THIS SATURDAY!

Tickets on sale now—\$25 per ticket

*11 February 2017 at 6.30pm in the Hockey Sports Turf Pavillion,
Mazengarb*

Get your friends and family together for a fun night out. This is not just a bingo night—it is a "Rock Show" with lots of laughs and entertainment. There will also be an auction on the night and raffles, so come with lots of cash! A full bar will be available with Eftpos.

Transport home will be available from the end of the show for \$5 donation pp (Otaihanga, Paraparaumu Beach, Paraparaumu, Raumati, Raumati South only).

This is provided by parents donating their time and vehicles, so please be respectful of this if using this service.

Please contact Treena Albert on 021 487 336 or Rose Harvey on 0274 425 114 to purchase your tickets or, alternatively Treena and Rose will be outside Rm 1 from 8.30am-9.15am on Thursday, 9 February should you wish to purchase tickets then (cash only). Please do get in early as tickets are selling fast!

HELP WANTED—YEAR 5 & 6 PARENTS (AND ANY OTHER KIND PARENTS)

On the morning of Thursday, 9 February we will be collecting donations of: Cheese, crackers, chips, pate, hummus and dips etc for platters on the tables. Please ask your child to place items in the collection boxes outside Rms 1 and 2. We would appreciate all Year 5/6 parents donating at least one item.

Thank you for your support.

PTA

The school PTA is having our first get together for this year and we would love to have some new faces join our fantastic team. We are meeting next Thursday (2 March) in the staffroom at 7pm. Please come along and find out about all the fun things we do to help the school and all our tamariki (children). We would love to see you and by all means please bring a friend to support you. The more the merrier!

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.

ABC PARAPARAUMU: 20th Birthday Village Fair on Saturday, 11 February from 10.30am-2.30pm at 52-54 Percival Road, Paraparaumu Beach. All proceeds to Plunket.

HOOKEYWAY TUTORING: I provide primary school tuition in Language and Maths with an option of lessons during or after school. New to 2017 is a Yr 7/8 Home Study Maths Programme from \$8/week. I also tutor college Maths and Science with the option of regular or one-off lessons. For info sheets or further details, contact Brian Hookway on 902 2453, mobile 021 179 0223, email hookwaytutoring@gmail.com or see website www.hookwaytutoring.co.nz.

HOOP CLUB—JUNIOR BASKETBALL COACHING PROGRAMME: Restarts for Term 1 on Sunday, 12 February running through to Sunday, 9 April at KCDC Sportshall, Paraparaumu College. 9.30-10.30am for 5-8yr olds; 10.30-11.30am for 9-13yr olds and 11.30-12.30pm for 13-17yr olds. All new players welcome. Contact Angelo Robinson on 904 0142.

BUBBLE SHOW: Coming to the Wellington Fringe Festival at Gryphon's Theatre, Wellington from 23-25 February. A family friendly act involving story telling, magic and science—all using soap bubbles!

KCU PREMIER JUNIOR TEAM TRIALS: Begins Sunday, 12 February at Weka Park. See www.kcu.co.nz for details. Also, girls only football teams available (numbers permitting).

HEART FOUNDATION ANNUAL STREET APPEAL: Recruiting volunteers for help with the 2017 street appeal on 17/18 February. Please email [MaryL@heartfoundation.org.nz](mailto:Maryl@heartfoundation.org.nz).

KAPITI RUN FOR YOUTH: Fun run or walk raising money for Kapiti Youth Quest on Sunday, 19 March. Choose from a 6km or 12km fun run/walk. Register or sponsor someone at www.kapitirunforyouth.co.nz or ph 299 2285 for a registration pack.

MISSING CAT: Black and white cat missing for over two weeks. Answers to Sylvester. Contact Emma on 021 0883 4437 if you have seen him.

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