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Paraparaumu Beach School

Newsletter 2019/02

5 February 2019

Upcoming Events

TERM 1

WEEK 2

Wed, 6 Feb

- Waitangi Day **SCHOOL CLOSED**

WEEK 3

Tues, 12 Feb

- Jingo Camp Fundraiser
6.30pm

- Beach Education trip
for Rms 9 & 12

Wed, 13 Feb

- **MEET THE TEACHER**
interviews 2-8pm **NB:**
School closes at 2pm

Fri, 15 Feb

- Beach Education trip
for Rms 6 & 7

WEEK 4

Mon, 18 Feb

- Beach Education trip
for Rms 5 & 10

Mon, 18 Feb

- **SCHOOL PICNIC** 5-7pm

Tues, 19 Feb

- Beach Education trip
for Rm 11

WEEK 5

Mon, 25 Feb

- **TEACHER ONLY DAY—**
SCHOOL CLOSED

Tues, 26 Feb

- Board Meeting 7pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hi Everyone

We had a fabulous first week last week. The kids have settled in really well, which I think is partly due to the class transition visits we held in the last week of 2018. Being the fifth school day today, the teachers and students are now well into the swing of learning. We have lots of exciting and engaging programmes planned for Term 1 so **please ensure you keep up your weekly reading of newsletters and notices.** Thanks in advance!

You may have noticed that the school pool isn't up and running yet. We are busy filling it up with water today, so it should be ready for swimming later in the week. At the end of the summer break we had the interior of the pool sandblasted and then last week it was repainted. Having a solar heated pool is a wonderful luxury, but the constantly warmer water temperature means that the life span of the interior paint is shortened. We were very fortunate to apply for and be granted \$15,000 towards this work by NZ Community Trust. Without this grant this project would have impacted heavily on our repairs and maintenance budget, so we are very grateful. NZCT have also granted us \$3,000 towards upcoming camps to Vertical Horizons.



I hope you all take some time out tomorrow to enjoy Waitangi day. Let's remember to celebrate our bi-cultural heritage, and endeavour to strengthen the things that make our country unique. I'm grateful to be a kiwi and live in this corner of the world.

Warm regards, ka kite ano
Jess Ward – Principal/Tumuaki

PS: Please feel free to pop in to see me on Parent-Teacher night next week



Lay it on Thick

If you have to be outdoors between the hours of 10am and 4pm, make sure you wear plenty of sunscreen—apply it thickly and evenly



A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS

Nevaeh—Rm 19, Dakota—Rm 23, Dylan—Rm 19, Lani—Rm 22 and Kamryn—Rm 19.

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, 13 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 gbgme and follow the prompts.

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



BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC



The kids are very excited about our school picnic on Monday, 18 February from 5 – 7pm. Bring a picnic blanket and picnic dinner along to enjoy on the school field. Kids can have fun playing around the grounds whilst parents and staff have a chat.

The pool will also be open. We hope to see you there!

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Advance warning - **Our school will be closed on Monday 25 February for a Teacher Only day.** On this day all our teaching staff and management will be attending a course (hosted at Paraparaumu College) on Restorative Behaviour Practices. We look forward to strengthening our skills and knowledge in this area.



KEEPING SAFE IN THE SUN AND HEAT

It's super important that kids stay hydrated and come to school sun blocked ready for the day ahead. Sun hats are a must for being outside. Please ensure your child has a full drink bottle of water each day, brings sunblock in their bag for topping up (roll-on is the best dispenser for kids) and has a wide brimmed hat. Thank you

KINDO ONLINE SHOP

Our online shop makes it easy for you to:

- ♦ View and pay for school activities and donations
- ♦ Complete permissions slips online
- ♦ Support some school fundraisers
- ♦ Top-up your account with credit to use later
- ♦ Orders hats and polo shirts
- ♦ Order lunches

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Kindo is now offering internet banking at the checkout. POLi still remains the quickest form of internet banking (we have removed A2A) ... but if you'd prefer not to use POLi, or your bank is not available through POLi, we have this option just for you. It's free to use. What to do? Add items to your cart as normal, click "Top up and place order" and choose 'internet banking'. You will see instructions, including the reference details to include when making your payment. As soon as your funds are received (generally the next business day), your order will be automatically placed for you.

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KIDS QUOTE

On playground duty yesterday a student approached me...

"I know a secret about you Ms Ward."

"What might that be?"

"You dye your hair!" (This child's friend saw me at the hairdresser).



LOVE GARDENING?



We're looking for a group of enthusiastic parents to help weed out and thin back the garden at our Gray Ave entrance. Our awesome caretaker, John Trask, admits that his talents don't stretch to gardening and we all know that 'more hands make light work'! If you can give a few hours of your time during Term 1 we would love to hear from you.

Please email jtrask@pbs.school.nz if you can help.



STAY IN THE LOOP WITH OUR SCHOOL APP 'SKOOL LOOP'

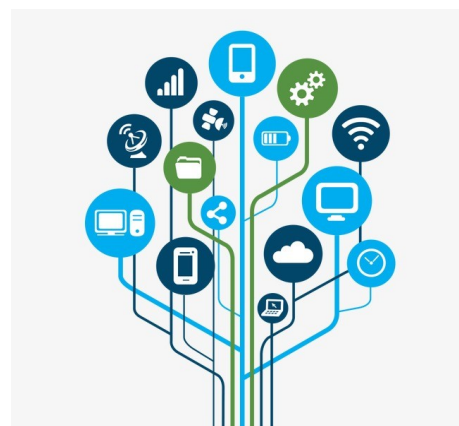
Have you found our school newsletter on Skool Loop yet? If not, download the free app 'Skool Loop' in Google Play or the App Store and search for Paraparaumu Beach School; it's so easy and you will have the weekly newsletter at your fingertips! Also, this is a quick and easy way to text in your child's absence, and get notifications on events.

TACKLING TECHNOLOGY—Highly recommended parent evening

Ever wondered what it's like for your child growing up in the digital age? Are you wanting to keep your child cyber safe and tech savvy?

PBS will be hosting a parent evening, presented by The Attitude Team of the The Parenting Place, to answer all these important questions. Parents of all aged students welcome.

To be held in the PBS School Hall on Tuesday, 12 March. Gold coin donation. Time to be confirmed (evening).



ROAD SAFETY

We have had a great start to 2019 with vehicle drivers, pedestrians and those on bikes demonstrating great road safety behaviours. Lets see if we can keep it that way for the rest of the school year.

Here a few reminders for all of us:

- Please do not park in the bus stops
- Please be considerate of our neighbours and do not park over their driveways
- Between 8.30-9.30am and 2.30-3.30pm we have a clearway operating on the school side of Gray Ave, this means no parking or stopping to pick up or let off passengers
- On the school side of Gray Ave (opposite the school hall) and on the opposite of Gray Ave (outside numbers 60-62) are drop zones. You cannot park in these spaces waiting for your child)

Vicki Wilson

PARENT HELPERS REQUIRED FOR THE LIBRARY

If you would like to be a parent helper in the library this year, please contact Kathryn Siversen on ksiversen@pbs.school.nz for more details.

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

Time Genie: Do you have too much to do and not enough time? Need support with shopping, ironing, laundry or errands? Contact heather@timegenie.co.nz or see our website www.timegenie.co.nz for more services.

Chrissie Sallis Art Studio & Gallery: Artist and teacher Chrissie Sallis offers fun-filled and structured holiday and term visual art workshops for children aged 7-12 yrs old. Mediums include ceramics, printing-making, collage, painting and rawing. Also offering adult one day and term programmes in printmaking techniques. To join the email list contact cjsallis@gmail.com, ph 021 148 5716 or Facebook Chrissie Sallis Art Studio & Gallery. Studio in Waikanae Beach.

Free Workshops for Children at Mahara Gallery: “Clay Pinch Pot Workshop for Children” and “Make Your Own Fun, Educational Board Game”. Workshops are free but bookings essential (limited 12 people). For bookings and more info phone 902 6242 or email education@maharagallery.org.nz.

Waikanae Football Club: 2019 season registrations for children aged 4-13 yrs open now. Premier team trials 10 and 19 February for 10th grade and above. Contact wfa.jnr@gmail.com or see www.facebook.com/waikanaeafc for more details.

Tool Box—Primary Years 5-9: Wednesdays, 20 February—3 April from 11am-1pm at Kapiti Impact Church, 6 Tongariro Street, Paraparaumu. Cost \$75pp or \$110 per couple or contribution. (If you are unable to contribute in this way, we'd still love you to join us. Get in touch and we'll get you booked in). 6 sessions per course run in small groups by a trained facilitator. Fun, practical and inspirational. Book online at parentingplace.nz.

Books at the Beach: Paraparaumu Beach Village on Saturday, 16 February from 10am-3pm. Meet local and NZ authors, children's puppet show, face painting, live music. See booksatthebeach.co.nz for more info.

Kapiti Junior Touch—Change of Venue: Kapiti Junior Touch returns for leg 2 of our module from 12 February—28 March at the new venue of Otaraua Park.

KJT Coach Needed: We are looking for a new coach for the Under 10 Blues. No coach, no play unfortunately. Only 7 weeks to go in the season. Contact Lynz Batty on lynzbatty@hotmail.com.



We are passionate and keen to teach your child the important lifesaving skill of 'learning to swim'. All levels catered for, from babies to adults. We have 24 years of experience, a warm non-chlorinated pool, we are exclusively swimming lessons and we offer weekly payment of fees

Many thousands of Kapiti Coast children are now strong efficient swimmers because of the tuition we have provided them with and we are now teaching the next generation. Give your child the gift of life.

For bookings and information visit our website www.swimminglessons.co.nz, call 2972465 or email klts@xtra.co.nz