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Paraparaumu Beach School

Newsletter 2017/35

7 November 2017

Upcoming Events

Week 4

Mon, 6 Nov-Fri, 10 Nov

- Rms 13 & 14 on Camp
- Tues, 7 Nov*
- Superstars Cricket Programme (selected students)
- Thurs, 9 Nov*
- Red Cross visiting Ngaru Syndicate

Week 5

Mon, 13—Wed, 15 Nov

- Fire Service visiting Year 3/4
- Tues, 14 Nov*
- Board Meeting—7pm
- Tues, 14 & Wed, 15 Nov*
- Technology Catch-up days for Year 7/8
- Thurs, 16 Nov*
- Epro 8 Challenge (selected Year 5-8 students)
- Fri, 17 Nov*
- Whanau Fun at 1.30pm

Week 6

Tues, 21-Fri, 24 Nov

- Ngaru Syndicate's trips to Palm Grove
- Fri, 24 Nov*
- Board's Outstanding Achievement Award Assembly—11am

Week 7

Tues, 28 Nov

- Tatahi New Parent's Information Evening—7pm
- Wed, 29 Nov*
- Student Council Sausage Sizzle
- Fri, 1 Dec*
- Kapa Haka Hui at Kapiti College

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hi Everyone,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and Staff, I am delighted to announce that we have received our third consecutive 4-5 year Education Review Office (ERO) report. At this stage we know of only two other New Zealand primary schools which have attained this grading! The official report will be published on ERO's website in the next few weeks, after which time we will post a copy on our website for the community to view. The results of this report are a reflection of our wonderful school community, our hard-working staff, dedicated Board and amazing students; it is indeed something for us all to be very proud of!



Our senior students from Rooms 8, 15 and 16 had a wonderful time at camp in the Marlborough Sounds last week. The kids have told me that they particularly enjoyed jumping off the wharf, viewing the landscape from the top of Mount Kahikatea and screaming at the top of their lungs on the flying fox. A big 'thank you' to our amazing group of teachers and parents who accompanied this group and made the week a possibility. I have heard that the group who are on camp this week (Rooms 13 & 14) had a wonderfully calm ferry trip down yesterday; we look forward to hearing more about their experience when they return on Friday evening.

The Board's Parent Survey closes tomorrow, so this is one last push to encourage you to fill it in if you haven't already done so. Many thanks! <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/paraparaumubeachschool17>

Kind regards, Jess Ward - Principal/Tumuaki

Welcome to Our Recent New Students

Amelia and Sapphire —both Rm 17.

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YEAR 4 CHROMEBOOKS FOR 2018

We are aware that some families of current Year 4 students have already purchased or leased their Chromebooks in preparation for 2018 and BYOD. Of course there is no rush with this. As a school our preferred device is a Chromebook – the brand itself doesn't matter.

About a third of our families have purchased direct from a shop e.g. Harvey Normans, Noel Leemings, Warehouse Stationery etc. The other two thirds have either leased or paid outright for a chromebook through the local Education Trust (Whakaaro Hou Education Trust) which assists all schools on the Kapiti Coast.

If you wish to go through the Trust you can buy a device outright or lease to buy over a two year or three year period. The Trust only does one roll-out of devices per term. Their next roll out requires 'Expression of Interest' forms to be in by 17 November. Putting in an expression of interest does not tie you into anything, it merely starts a line of communication between yourself and the trust. School will send home more information about this with the Year 4 student shortly. For more information on the Trust go to:

<https://whetrust.weebly.com/>



NEW ENTRANT PARENT INFORMATION PRESENTATION— TATAHI SYNDICATE

A New Entrant Information Presentation will be held for all parents of new children on Tuesday, 28 November from 7-8pm in the staffroom. 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.

KID'S QUOTE

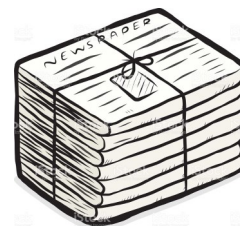
Teacher: **"When I was your age I had some sandals just like those, only they were blue."**

Junior Student: **"But how can you remember back that far?"**



CLEAN NEWSPAPER WANTED

Room 6 would like clean newspaper to be used for technology. If you have any, please deliver to Room 6.



NEW SCHOLASTIC BOOK CO-ORDINATOR NEEDED

We are looking for someone to take over this role starting in Term 1 2018. This is a great way to support the school.



If you are interested in this volunteer position or want to know more, please email Rebecca at rtranter@gmail.com. Full

training and support will be given.

Unfortunately if we cannot get a volunteer to fill this role, Scholastic book orders will not be available in 2018.

JUCEES & COOKIES FOR SALE—PTA FUNDRAISER

The PTA will be selling Juices and Cookie Time cookies every Friday this term at lunch time. They cost \$1 each and will be selling them outside Rm 17 from 12.30pm.



WERE YOUR EARS BURNING? – Staff gratitude section

Thanks to Mr Webb and Mr McCormick for organising and supervising our Junior Interschool Athletics kids last week. The kids had a wonderful day and I was so proud to receive this lovely email message from a parent about them;



"It was a fantastic day out. The whole vibe within the PBS team was relaxed and positive - a real credit to the legends that organised our representing kids. Another lovely takeaway was from our Yr 6 boys who were asked to look out for the Paekakariki School team for the day as they didn't have any parent help. Our Yr 6 boys rallied around them, cheered them on, and were genuinely concerned when one was injured. It was fantastic sportsmanship to see."

STUDENT COUNCIL SAUSAGE SIZZLE

On 29 November the Student Council will be hosting a sausage sizzle as a fundraiser for our amazing fitness course.

The cost will be \$2 per sausage and we hope to have gluten-free sausages too. We are giving everyone as much notice as possible, so keep your eyes peeled for pre-order forms.

We will require parent help on the day. If you can help please contact mthomas@pbs.school.nz.

From Rikki on behalf of the Student Council



P.S. Thanks to our wonderful PTA for purchasing one of our two new school barbeques!

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RECENT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS:

Congratulations to the following players who have made the Touch Kapiti Horowhenua rep teams:

- ◆ Under 10 Mixed Team: Fletcher Cooper, Luca Albert, Rico Poutama
- ◆ Under 12 Mixed Team: Jahzara Mei-Hall, Matt Prentice
- ◆ Under 12 Girls Team: Hannah Batty-Tofts, Alexis MacInnes, Anika Barr
- ◆ Under 12 Boys Team: Rico Albert, Isaiah Brown
- ◆ Under 12 Mixed: Zak Batty-Tofts, Harlen Stills

Congratulations and good luck for your rep seasons!



SAUSAGE SIZZLE PTA FUNDRAISER



The PTA are selling sausages this Friday, 10 November. The sausages will be sold for \$2 each and are going to be pre-sold so that no one misses out. If you would like a sausage, please fill in the order form below and put it in the blue box outside the office with your money **no later than 9am on Thursday, 9 November**. Remember that we will also be selling our usual juices and cookies at \$1 each.

PTA SAUSAGE SIZZLE

PRE-ORDER FORM

Orders to the money box by **9am on Thursday, 9 November** please

Child's Name:

Room No: No of Sausages:

Money Enclosed: \$.....

