

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2010



It's great to have the construction fencing down and normal access around the school returned. The students are having great fun along the new walkways and new classrooms. The new toilets should be in use from the start of next week and we're hoping to see the last of the painters very soon. Thank you for your patience during this period.

### IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> - Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Week
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Run, Jump, Throw Athletics morning
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Character Parade
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> March - Thursday 1 April	Year 7&8 School Camp
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Multi-Coloured Day for Autism - gold coin donation
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Term 1 - Finishes at 3.00pm
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April - Friday 2nd July	Term 2

### BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

When you receive your nomination form, if the name or address is incorrect in any way, can you please advise the office on 233 1339. Or if you have any questions contact Marie Arlow. Pamphlets are available from the display in the office foyer.

The following is the timeline for the upcoming election:

- Voting roll open for inspection at the office Now
- Nominations open 15<sup>th</sup> March
- Nomination forms have been sent to all eligible voters. There are spares in the office.
- You may nominate yourself. Completed nomination forms are to be given to the returning officer, Marie Arlow, C/- office, Paremata School.
- Nominations close at noon 23<sup>rd</sup> April
- Election papers sent to all eligible voters by 28<sup>th</sup> April
- Voting Closes at noon / Election Day 7<sup>th</sup> May
- The results of the election will be made known to the community on 13<sup>th</sup> May

### LIBRARY NEWS

- If you have some spare time during the day and would like to help out in our library covering books, please contact Penny Gorman in the library or call 2331339 ext 825.
- Tweety our lovely canary in the library needs a home over the school holidays. Please see Penny if you can help. Thanks.



### ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS ARE COMING TO ...PAREMATA SCHOOL...TERM 2



If you wish to advance purchase these books at \$60.00 please contact Marie Arlow @ Paremata School on 233 1339 ext 820 or email [mariea@paremata.school.nz](mailto:mariea@paremata.school.nz). You will receive a special thank you bonus offer (certificates worth approx. \$150) that you can use straight away.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Come and have fun at the **ZONE DANCE ACADEMY DISCO** !! Venue - Zone Dance Academy, 11 Mohuia Crescent, Elsdon. Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup> from 6pm - 8.30pm. ALL WELCOME. Dress colourful, fun, bright and crazy!!! \$2 entry at door. Sausage sizzle, food, drinks and glow sticks on sale. Come and have fun dancing the night away!!

"**THE GREAT ELECTRONIC EASTER EGG HUNT**" - Sunday March 28, 2010, 1-4pm

Samuel Marsden School, 2 Starboard Lane, Whitby  
Step out and have fun with your family and friends around Whitby.  
Use GPS and Google Earth to find the hidden treasures. It's easy!  
\$20 per team (max 5) - Food and refreshments available.

**ARTFUL KIDS HOLIDAY FUN** - Mixed media painting and drawing in Paekakariki.

Starts Monday 5th April through till Friday 9th April 9:30 am till 12:30 pm  
All art supplies provided. \$20 a session. Call Rachel on 04 905 8219

**RANUI COMMUNITY FESTIVAL** - 27<sup>th</sup> March 2010, Porirua east School, Martin Street 11am - 2pm. Come and help us celebrate our amazing community and launch our village planning process to make Ranui even better. More information on notice board.

**BUBBLE DOME** - Holiday courses 3D Animation and Games Design [www.bubbledome.co.nz](http://www.bubbledome.co.nz)

Over the last 7 days the solar panels on the roof of room 11 (supplied by Genesis Energy) have generated 59 kWh of electricity and saved 0.010 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>. Check out the Schoolgen link on our website for more information.

### NETBALL 2010 - REMINDER - SUBS DUE BY MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH



We have had to bring the registration date forward so please return your permission slip along with your subs to the office by **Monday 22nd March**. Cheques are to be made out to Paremata School Netball. Any queries please contact the office on 233 1339.

### RUN JUMP THROW IS WEEK 8, WEDNESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> OF MARCH (PP FRIDAY 26<sup>TH</sup>)

Come and support your children as they battle out for this year's first lot of points towards the **Sue Garden Bachop House Trophy**.  
Juniors Year 1-4 from 9 -10.30am - Seniors 11am-12.30pm - Remember to wear your house colours.



On Sunday 14th March, Daylin Isaac and I (Kayla) entered the Wellington G.K.R Karate International Tournament in Naenae. There was 135 participants. I won a bronze in kumite (fighting). Daylin won gold for his kata and bronze for team kata (pre arranged sequence of offensive and defensive movements). We both had a lot of fun. By Kayla Isaac

### MEGA THRUSTS

#### **What is a mega thrust earthquake?**

A mega thrust earthquake is where stress builds between two plates where one is forced under the other (sub ducting plate, overriding plate) they usually happen on the boundaries between two plates, where one has been forced under the opposite plate.

Recently there has been a huge mega thrust in Chile, which caused a lot of damage by cracking the earth, knocking over houses and buildings, making massive mounds and lumps and causing Tsunamis.

This catastrophe happened on the 26<sup>th</sup> of February 2010. Wellington is due for a 9.0 and over Mega thrust earthquake.

Scientists are looking at the ocean beneath Wellington where the Pacific plate is stuck under the Australian plate. Japanese and Kiwi scientists are teaming up to place 50 small glass orbs under the surface of Wellington, to study when this "mega thrust earthquake" is going to happen.

So make sure you and your family has your emergency kit, and other things you might need, for when an earthquake strikes. By Ben - Science Group