

**PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**  
**WEDNESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2016**  
**WEEK 11**



**IMPORTANT DATES**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April  
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Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May

Book Week  
Book Character Parade @ 9.15am  
Full School Assembly @ 11.45am hosted by Ruma Kiwi (16)  
End of Term 1 @ 3.00pm  
Term 2 commences  
School Photos

Kia ora tatou

**Congratulations to...**

**Anya** and **Carter Birmingham** and **Rhys Evans** for their fantastic efforts at the Titahi Bay Tennis Club. For the Grade 2 Tennis Season **Carter** was named "Most Improved Player" for the season, **Anya** "Best Forehand" and **Rhys** "Best Backhand" for the season. Well done to you all!



**Year 7/8 basketball coach**

We are in dire need of a parent to coach the Year 7/8 basketball team this year. If you are available please can you contact me at school asap. Many thanks.

**Kahikatea team Nelson camp**

It was great to see everyone back safe and sound from camp after an amazing time away in Nelson last week. The children were put through their paces in a range of resilience building activities and developed skills in facing new challenges which is very important. A huge thank you to Sally, Rachel, Emma and Jacquie for their great organisation and pastoral care and to all the parents who went along for the week. It is hard work but a lot of fun. We really appreciate the time you took off work to go along to support the staff and children.

**Book Week**

A big thank you to Pat Quinn a well-known author who come in to talk to the children yesterday. The children enjoyed her visit and were inspired by her writing. Please remember we have the Book Character Parade for the children on Friday at 9.15am. They come dressed as their favourite book character. All parents/caregivers are welcome to attend.

**Kauri team** (Room 13, 14 & 16) will be displaying their Personal Learning Journeys tomorrow (Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>) in their classrooms from 3 - 6 pm. All welcome.

**School Holidays**

As usual time has flown by and we are now at the end of term 1. The school has been very settled throughout and the children are all working hard on their learning. Thank you to all the staff and wider community for helping get the year off to such a positive start. Have a fabulous break and if you are going away travel safely. School finishes on Friday at 3pm and starts back on Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Nga mihi nui – Bryce



Go ahead and like our 'Parentlink' page, it is updated with school events and fundraisers each week.

<https://www.facebook.com/ParemataSchoolCommunity>

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

### 2016 SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

Make a difference  
Ki te whakapiki

As you may already be aware the term of office of the school's Board of Trustees is due to expire this year. An election to appoint a new board will be held on 3 June. Being a board member is one way of contributing and supporting your local school and can be a very rewarding experience. The board holds regular meetings and their role is one of governance rather than management of the school. This is a great opportunity to become involved in our school. A pamphlet will be coming home today.

The following is the timeline for the upcoming election.

- Voting roll is open for inspection at the office
- Main Electoral Roll Closes 4<sup>th</sup> May
- Supplementary Roll Closes 18<sup>th</sup> May
- Nominations open 6<sup>th</sup> May
- Nomination forms will be posted to all eligible voters on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2016. Please advise if you have changed address.
- You may nominate yourself. Completed nomination forms are to be given to the returning officer, Michelle Griffin, C/- office, Paremata School, Paremata Crescent.
- Nominations close at noon 20<sup>th</sup> May
- Election papers sent to all eligible voters by 25<sup>th</sup> May
- Voting Closes at noon / Election Day 3<sup>rd</sup> June

The results of the election will be made known to the community on 10<sup>th</sup> June. More information can be found at [www.trustee-election.co.nz](http://www.trustee-election.co.nz) or see the display outside the office.

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS – GREAT GIFTS FOR MOTHERS DAY (May 8<sup>th</sup>)

- The entertainment books **were sent home last week!** \$12 from every book sold goes to the school. These books are great value and make great **gifts for Mother's Day**.
- If you wish to purchase your book please remember payment can be made straight into our bank account 12-3254-0048796-00 ref. Ent Book or by eftpos at the office. Cheques to be made out to Paremata School. Remember you can also pay online for books or go digital <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/104u135>
- Extra books are also available from the office.
- Thank you to the families who have returned the book and have given the school a donation instead. We really appreciate it.
- If you have a book at home and you do not wish to purchase it, can you please return it to the office as soon as possible.



## HOCKEY

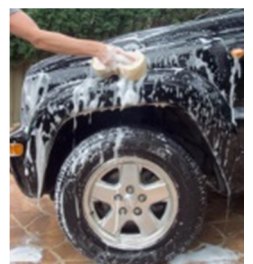
Hockey for term 2 is going ahead. Teams will be confirmed asap. Uniforms will be given out during week 1 and the first games will be played on 7 May. Please email Theresa on [theresar@paremata.school](mailto:theresar@paremata.school) if you have any queries.

## EnviroNews



**Fact:** When you wash your car on the driveway all the chemicals on your car go down the storm water drains and into the Pauatahanui inlet.

**Solution:** You can help by washing your car on your lawn or at the car wash.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

**ARTRAGEOUS BIG KIDS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME** 18–22 April Our BIG KIDS week is aimed at children aged 10-14 years. Providing them with a space, focused adult attention and loads of resources. This programme is tailored to draw out older children's interest in creating art and using their creativity by themselves and collaboratively. Bookings at [www.artrageouskids.co.nz](http://www.artrageouskids.co.nz)

**ARTRAGEOUS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME** 18–22 April + 26–29 April 2016

We focus on extending children's creativity through many different medias. Our aim is to draw out your child's creative expression to develop confidence and self-esteem and also to have heaps of fun. We provide new activities every day, however if your child is focused on exploring one medium they can work in that medium every day. Bookings at [www.artrageouskids.co.nz](http://www.artrageouskids.co.nz)

**KIDS CROSS COUNTRY SERIES - COME ALONG AND HAVE SOME FUN**

Athletics Wellington is again running the **Kids Cross Country Series** over the winter months at various venues around the Wellington region. Venues are Upper Hutt, Karori, Petone, Tawa and Mt Victoria. Races for pre schoolers though to year 8s. This event has grown in the past few years with up to 600 kids taking part, so come along and have some fun. For more information or to enter go to <https://www.athleticshub.co.nz/our-programmes#kidsxcountry> or email [jo@athleticswellington.org.nz](mailto:jo@athleticswellington.org.nz) or phone 021 976116

## **DRAMA**

**DRAMA CLASSES** Tuesday afternoons in Plimmerton with local Speech & Drama teacher Roz Baxter. Phone 027 6939 573 or email [jonnyrozb@xtra.co.nz](mailto:jonnyrozb@xtra.co.nz)

**PUKAHA MOUNT BRUCE**

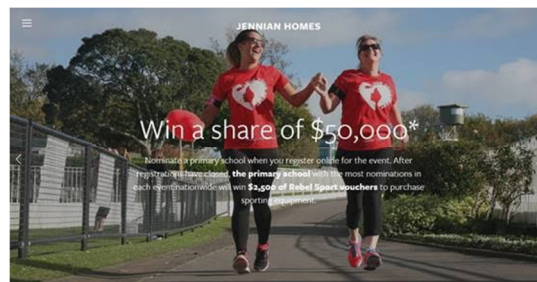
It's almost school holidays so it's time to get your Junior Rangers signed up for Ranger duty! Pukaha can help keep the kids busy with our hands on, interactive school holiday programme. Junior Rangers can report for duty these school holidays -Monday to Friday (except for ANZAC Monday) from 11-3. Get in behind the scenes with our Rangers and learn about caring for our birds and our forest. We will look at our insects, plants and eco-systems. On your first Junior Ranger duty you will collect your Junior Ranger conservation action booklet. Completed conservation actions can earn rewards. You might even become a Pukaha Conservation leader.

Our ranger guides are great at coming up with fun activities to suit the conditions but a Junior Rangers motto is "Be prepared" as we go rain or shine! Come and help make a difference with us.

\$25 per child (age 6 - 12 years old) includes a packed lunch from Wild Cafe (filled roll, fruit, homemade biscuit) plus water. We prefer the Junior Rangers join our programme without their adult however when you bring your Junior Rangers to Pukaha you can enjoy a FREE coffee in our Wild Café and go and enjoy a walk around the park for half-price while waiting for the Junior Rangers to come off duty. Spaces are limited and bookings are essential. Book now at [info@pukaha.org.nz](mailto:info@pukaha.org.nz) or give us a call on 06 375 8004.

**JENNIAN HOMES MOTHER'S DAY FUN RUN/WALK, SUNDAY 8 MAY, WELLINGTON WATERFRONT**

Run, walk or have a leisurely stroll with your Mum, daughter, sister or a group of girlfriends this Mother's Day. Nominate your primary school and they could win a share of \$50,000 Rebel Sport vouchers to purchase sport equipment. Register at <http://www.jennianmothersday.com>



**MANA SQUASH REGISTRATIONS – TERM 2 JUNIOR PROGRAMME**

Register at mana Squash Club on Friday April 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> between 6pm and 7.30pm or via email [barry.ryan0109@gmail.com](mailto:barry.ryan0109@gmail.com) 027 36 00 299 – more information on the school noticeboard.

**A LOCAL SEAMSTRESS** can help with your clothing alterations and repairs; table-huts and garments can also be custom-made; sewing tuition is available; no job is too small; reasonable rates are on offer. Please contact Kryss on 233 0092 or 027 645 1075.

