

PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
WEDNESDAY 6th JULY 2016
WEEK 10 – TERM 2



IMPORTANT DATES

Tonight

Friday 8th July
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Monday 25th July
Thursday 4th August
Tuesday 9th August

Gala Meeting 7.30pm school staffroom

School Assembly at 11.45am
End of Term 2 @ 3pm
Term 3 commences
Parent Teacher Interviews - **School will close early.**
Parent Teacher Interviews **More information coming soon.**

Tena koutou katoa (Greetings all)

This week is Maori language week Te Wiki o te Reo Māori so the newsletter will reflect this.



Author's Evening

A very special whakawhetai koe (thank you) to Marilyn Hunt for organising such a fabulous Author's Evening last week. A big round for applause also to Bernard Beckett for his involvement. Everybody who attended really enjoyed the evening and got a lot out of it. Pai mahi (well done) to the PTA for another great event!

Corinna School Kapa Haka Visit

Ko whakamiharo te whakāturanga (The show/performance was wonderful) that Corinna School and our own Kapa Haka groups put on for the school last week. It was very moving and we were immensely whakakake (proud) of you all. A round of applause to Matua Todd, Whaea Claire, Whaea Tia and Whaea Nicky for their work with the tamariki.

Regional Cross Country

Our cross country team took part in the whakataetae whenua ripeka rohe (regional cross country competition) yesterday and performed superbly. Well done to all the nga tamariki and whakawhetai nui koutou (big thank you) to Vanessa Burn and Theresa Ready for preparing our team so well. Our runners go from strength to strength every year.

Gala Helpers Needed

Ko au te waimarie (I am very fortunate) to have an amazing Gala Committee run by Marilyn Hunt and Jo Gibbs who give up a lot of their spare time to organise the school gala. However this year we are finding it difficult to get parents to commit to helping on stalls and events. The financial success of the day hinges on parent involvement and the more parents that step forward the more we can offer. If you are able to help Marilyn, Jo and the team out please can you let the office know as soon as possible.

School Reports and Parent Interviews. **If you require an extra copy of your child's report can you please contact their class teacher.** Whakawhetai kotou katoa to all of the school community for your ongoing support and involvement with tauranga o koutou tamariki (your children's education). You will get a clear picture in your child's mid-year report on their achievement and the journey ahead. Parent interviews are on Thursday August 4 and Tuesday August 9 (school will close early on these days) where you will be able to meet with your child's teacher to discuss your tamariki's progress.

Regional Public Health – Please read letter regarding **Rheumatic Fever** at the end of this newsletter.

End of term

The end of term is upon us. Whakawhetai kotou katoa (Thank you to you all) for your hard work and dedication to our kura (school). Pai mahi on all that you have achieved this term. Have a happy and safe break. School returns on Monday July 25.

Nga mihi nui - Matua Bryce



More organising help is needed for the Paremata School Gala
Saturday October 15, 2016

Can you take a more active role in the gala organisation, as well as helping on the day itself? Good news: people have already put their hands up for the coordination effort required for **Outdoor and Indoor Food**.

We need more help in these areas:

- **Outdoor Activities:** someone is needed to hand over to for 2017 – are there a couple of people who’d be willing to take this on, and who could help out this year?
- **Sweets:** can you and a friend step up to learn alongside the current coordinator for this year, and then take it over? This is a great opportunity to learn on the job.
- **Here’s a smaller role – being part of the Sponsorship/Donations team:** we need a team of at least half a dozen people to support by requesting donations for the Silent Auction and Quick-Fire Raffle, two large money spinners at the gala. 6-10 people asking 200 businesses to help is a lot easier than 1 or 2!

When the gala team meets **7:30pm tonight Wednesday, July 6**, we’ll see where we are. If we don’t have sufficient organising help, we’ll be cutting out some activities, which will undoubtedly impact on the overall gala profit. This year the gala profit is being earmarked for a major overhaul of the senior fort – we’ll probably need to save for 3 years to get enough.

Please consider this request and

- Come along to the meeting; and or/
- Be in touch with Marilyn, on 027 232 4203 or Jo on 021 259 2024 if you have any questions or if you can offer help; and/or
- Contact us at pemataschoolpta@gmail.com.

SCHOOL PHOTOS HAVE ARRIVED

If you have any queries regarding the photos please contact School Memories direct on 0800437447. Rumas Miromiro (1A), Kotare (1B) and Tui (2) will be photographed on 2 November.

NETBALL GAMES THIS WEEK - 9th JULY

TEAM	TIME	COURT
Paremata Panthers vs Plimmerton White	9.55am	Court 2
Paremata Pumas vs NPS	11.45am	Court 2
Paremata Magic vs TIS Steel	10.50am	Court 1
Paremata Pulse vs St Theresa’s Stars	3.40pm	Court 1



ENVIRONEWS - Ruma Kiwi (16)

Did you know it is Plastic Free July?

Plastic Free July aims to raise awareness of the problems and amount of single-use disposable plastic in our lives and challenges people to do something about it. You can try this for a day, a week or the whole month and try to refuse ALL single-use plastic or try the TOP 4: plastic bags, water bottles, takeaway coffee cups and straws.



By 2050 it’s estimated there will be more plastic than fish in the world’s oceans. Most comes from land and was once in our hands. Refuse single-use plastic and together let’s keep our oceans clean.

This is what they found inside this bird.

AMAZING PAREMATA SCHOOL STUDENTS

In term one **Jozua Verhoeven** from Ruma Kakapo created a mobile for his Kaitiaki project for Healthy Harbours Porirua. His mobile was picked as the winner for the Wellington Region and it went on to the national EMR Kaitiaki Project Competition. Unfortunately Jozua wasn't successful in the national competition but he is still in the running for another prize which is a night on Kapiti Island. We are very proud of Jozua.



Maya O'Reilly-Nugent is part of a dance crew called "The Recruits" which competed in the Hip Hop Unite NZ National Championships 2016, and placed 3rd in the Cadet category (7-13 years), which was a huge achievement for her team.

You may have seen some footage that has gone viral of the NZ Police who performed during the intermission of the Finals at this competition, which was fantastic.

COMMUNITY NEWS

LEARN ABOUT FANTASTIC FISH AND ROCKING REPTILES AT ANIMATES

With the school holidays just around the corner, Animates stores nationwide will be hosting free workshops, perfect for keeping the kids entertained! This is a great way for kids to learn important life skills such as kindness and compassion towards animals. The workshops will teach them everything they need to know about fantastic fish and rocking reptiles. The sessions will be held on Thursday 14th and 21st July at 11am at your local Animates store.



NEXT KIDS CROSS COUNTRY SERIES EVENT IS IN TAWA ON SUNDAY 24 JULY

If you haven't already taken part in our Kids Cross Country Series come along on Sunday 24 July. These events are open to everyone. You don't have to be a member of a club to take part. We have races for pre schoolers through to year 8s. Enter at least a week before the event and receive a personalised race bib on the day. Or you can enter anytime on the day from 9.30am. For more info go to <https://www.athleticshub.co.nz/our-programmes#kidsxcountry> or contact Jo at Athletics Wellington on 021 976116.



EL RANCHO HORSE CAMP - 9am – 5pm each day. \$160 gets you both days.

Come and experience the magic of El Rancho and learn Level 1 Riding and Horse Care! Suitable for beginners or those with some experience.

Not just for kids, parents and grandparents are welcome too!

This is a day camp, so no overnight stay, just turn up each morning ready for your riding adventure! Apply online at: <http://elrancho.co.nz/Camps+and+Events/Horse+Camp.html>

If you've already done the Level 1 Course with us, please call us to discuss options for doing Level 2.

The **ZENDOODLE & COLOURING HOLIDAY WORKSHOP** is back for the July holidays!

Have a break, pop into the gym, get some quiet shopping done or meet up with a friend while your children are having fun being creative! Includes take home cool framed art piece! **Wednesday 13 July**, 10-12 at the **Tawa** Community Centre Board Room. Suitable for children age 6+. \$15. Includes workbook, all materials, framed art piece and healthy snack & drink! Register to secure your spot as places are limited: Call or txt Monique at 021 134 7541, or email monique@easynowmindfulness.com.

THE PANTOLOONS & PORIRUA LITTLE THEATRE PRESENT – ALICE IN WONDERLAND – JULY 19TH – 22ND

All tickets - \$10 (babies under 2 free) – Adult night – July 22 at 7.30pm - \$15. Text or call 0273282997 or email thepantoloons@gmail.com. Door sales available. Cash only. Information on notice board.

YMCA HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES – Booklets and Registration Forms at School Office www.ymcawellington.org.nz

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Information for parents

Sore Throats Still Matter Rheumatic fever is preventable

Sore throats matter, and if your child has a sore throat then it is important that they get it checked by their doctor or attend a sore throat clinic, if there is one in your area.

- Sore throats can be caused by a certain type of germ. (Group A streptococcal bacteria, commonly known as a 'Strep throat'). If this germ is not treated, it may cause rheumatic fever and permanent damage to the heart.
- **Rheumatic fever is preventable.** Treatment can be as simple as making sure your child is treated for strep throat with antibiotics taken once a day for 10 days.

To prevent other people in the family getting strep throat, you should make sure that everyone in the house with a sore throat gets checked by a doctor, as the germ can be transferred from person to person through 'saliva' e.g. sharing drinks or food. To prevent 'strep throat' spreading, people should cover their mouth when they cough or sneeze.

More information on rheumatic is available by visiting the Ministry of Health website at www.health.govt.nz/rheumaticfever

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your school's Public Health Nurse on 04 570 9002.