

BASKETBALL TONIGHT - WEDNESDAY 10TH MAY

6.55pm Paremata v Rangikura 3 (please be there at 6.45pm)



NETBALL - SATURDAY 13TH MAY

Draws, rules, conduct and any general information will be on the following website.

<http://www.sporty.co.nz/ngatitoanetball>

Remember **NO jewellery** is to be worn and have your nails cut short; otherwise you will be removed from the court.

9.00am court 3 - **Paremata Pumas** v Discovery Diamonds

9.55am court 3 - **Paremata Flames** v Papakowhai Blues

1.40pm court 1 Plimmerton Ferns v **Paremata Pulse**



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – ISSUE NO. 3 – ORDER ONLINE mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

If you wish to purchase from the current book club selection given to classes today, please send your order and money to the office no later than **Tuesday 23rd May**. If paying by cheque, please write them out to Scholastic NZ Ltd and remember to include your name and room number on the order form.

PINK RIBBON PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The annual **Pink Ribbon** Pancake Breakfast will be held on **Thursday 25th May**. Order forms will be coming home today. Please drop your order form into the office in a named envelope so that your tickets can be returned in the envelope.

Eftpos is available or online payments can be made into our account - 12 3254 0048796 00 using name and pancake as reference (if paying online please remember to drop your order form into the office).

CUPCAKES NEEDED



If you are able to make a batch of cupcakes (with **pink** icing) that we can sell at the breakfast, please contact Angela Collins at angela.collins@xtra.co.nz. Cellophane bags with ribbon for the cupcakes are available from the office.

Please let Angela know if you are able to volunteer to set up (6pm Wednesday 24th May) or able to help first thing from 6.45am on Thursday morning and or stay to tidy up after 8.30am. Thanks PTA

ENVIRONEWS – RUMA KIWI

Mallard Duck



The Mallard duck can live up to 5-10 years old and can only weigh up to 1.5kg. The Mallard duck's wing span can spread out from 81cm to 98cm. (As an adult) The scientific name for the Mallard duck is *Anas platyrhynchos*. Did you know Mallard ducks can grow up to 51-59cm. (as an adult) The Mallard duck is one of the biggest types of duck and one of the heaviest. The male Mallard duck is sometimes named by a Drake. The oldest Mallard duck in the whole of history was 30 years and 4 months old.

We think Mallard ducks are pretty cool but some people think they are a pest. What do you think?

By Beau and Ben - Ruma Kiwi



Congratulations - Former pupil of Paremata School, **Ryan Tait (15)** and his team mate have been selected to represent New Zealand at the 2017 International 420 Class Sailing World Championships in Fremantle, Australia in December. If you are interested in supporting and following their achievements please visit their webpage [Daniel and Ryan Sailing team's website](#)



COMMUNITY NEWS

KIDS CROSS COUNTRY SERIES STARTS IN MAY

The Brendan Foot Supersite Kids Cross Country Series is back this winter. Each event has 500+ kids, aged 3 to 13. There are five events through the Wellington region from May to August with the first one in Upper Hutt on Sunday 14 May, and the second in Karori on Sunday 28 May. Your choice if do you one, two, or all five events. Come along, join the fun. Complete them all and receive a commemorative medal and Drink Bottle. Only \$8 to enter. For more info or to enter go to athleticshub.co.nz or contact jo@athleticswellington.org.nz

PALMERS GARDEN AFTERNOON IN SUPPORT OF PAKAKOWHAI SCHOOL CHILD LED ENVIRO INITIATIVES - SUNDAY 21st MAY 2017, 4.00pm

Learn About Edible Gardening Over Winter – Veges, Fruit Trees
10% Discount in store
Tickets \$20.00 (Incls Afternoon Tea)
Palmer's Garden Centre, Plimmerton
Tickets Available From Pakakowhai School Office



BLENDED FAMILY SUCCESS

Discover how to help children adjust to step family life and create a united, supportive home atmosphere. **Overcome common challenges and learn practical strategies that really work from New Zealand's leading stepfamily presenter.** Live happily ever after in your stepfamily! Only ONE Wellington workshop this year. Numbers limited. You must register to secure your place.

When: Saturday 24th June, 9am – 4pm. For more information go to: www.blendedfamilysuccess.nz/events **email:** adele@stepfamilyhelp.info
Or phone/txt: 021 404 742

JUDO LESSONS

Come along to Discovery School hall Whitby, Saturdays, 4pm-5pm and give judo a try. Learn new skills, improve physical condition and fitness. Aahed Alhaj has been practicing judo for 25 years, is a member of the Kodokan Judo Institute in Japan, and is a qualified instructor who makes lessons fun. His class is open to all school age children regardless of skill level. For more information and to book a free trial please email aahedalhaj@yahoo.com