

PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 23rd MARCH 2016

WEEK 8



IMPORTANT DATES

Today

TOMORROW

Friday 25th March

Monday 28th & Tuesday 29th March

Monday 4th April – Friday 8th April

Monday 11th – Friday 15th

Friday 15th April

Monday 2nd May

Kahikatea Syndicate trip to Wellington Ocean Sports

Wear Purple for Epilepsy Awareness – see info below

Easter (NO SCHOOL)

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Kahikatea Syndicate - Senior School Camp

Book Week

End of Term 1

Term 2 commences

Kia ora tatou



Run Jump Throw

What a fabulous morning we had last Thursday at our annual run jump throw event. It was great to see the children participating in their school houses and competing positively. A big thanks to the Kowhai team for organising the day and well done to everyone for their fabulous participation.

Parumoana Athletics Meeting

Congratulations to our wonderful athletics team who came third yesterday in the Parumoana Athletic meeting. Our children produced some stunning individual performances in a number of events. A big round of applause to you all and many thanks to Vanessa Burn and the parents for supporting the children on the day. See results below.

Room 5, 6, 7, 8 – Kahikatea Syndicate camp fees

With the camp fast approaching we still have a very large amount of camp fees outstanding. Please can parents get all camp payments paid in full (unless you have a payment plan in place) by **Thursday 31st March at the latest**. If you are unsure how much you still owe please can you contact your child's teacher or Michelle in the office. Thank you.

School outings

The teams have been very busy this week with a number of outings. Pohutukawa visited the Paremata Kindergarten yesterday and had a lovely time. Kahikatea are off into town today to take part in a number of water based activities and Kauri has been participating in the Healthy Harbours Porirua with a day of snorkeling and swimming.

Year 7/8 basketball coach

We are on the lookout for a basketball coach for our Year 7/8 team this season. If you are available to take training one afternoon per week and attend the games on Wednesday after school please can you let me know asap.

Easter break

Just a reminder that school finishes at 3pm tomorrow Thursday and opens again next Wednesday 30th March. Have a great break and safe travels if you are going away this weekend.

Nga mihi nui - Bryce



Parumoana Interschool Athletics Competiton

Congratulations to the 24 children who represented Paremata School at Adventure Park on Monday. Our school ended up getting 3rd place overall out of 9 schools. We had some fantastic individual results:

Abigail Lee - 1st 1000m; Ryan Tinney - 1st 1000m, 2nd Shot Put, 2nd Vortex; Carys Evans - 2nd High Jump, 3rd 1000m; Pyrenees Boyle-Tiatia - 2nd Long Jump, 3rd Quoits; Ben Wyness - 3rd Shot Put; Maadi Ngamanu - 2nd 200m, 3rd 100m; Dylan Ball - 1st Long Jump, 2nd 100m, 2nd 1000m, 2nd Vortex, 3rd High Jump; Solomona Boyle-Tiatia - 2nd Shot Put; Chloe Tinney - 1st 100m, 1st 200m; Aaron Stairmand - 2nd Long Jump, 2nd 100m, 2nd High Jump, 2nd Vortex; Dylan Trow - 1st High Jump, 1st Long Jump; Luke Robinson - 2nd 1000m, 3rd Discus.

A huge thank you to all the fabulous parents who transported the children and helped run the vortex. Your help is much appreciated. – Vanessa Burn



HOCKEY 2016 – YEAR 1-6 GIRLS AND BOYS - REMINDER

If you are a Year 1 – Year 6 girl or boy and are keen to play hockey this year, **now** is the time to record your name down on a list in the office. **Please remember to sign up by tomorrow.** We will need coaches and referees as well so if you can help please contact the office on 2331339. Thanks.



PURPLE DAY – TOMORROW - wear your coolest purple clothes to support epilepsy awareness! You don't need to bring in any money, just wear purple and come to the senior netball court at lunchtime for a catwalk, face paint and a photo booth. We have first and second place prizes for the purplest people on the day! Thanks, Senior Council.



ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS – ADVANCE ORDERING FOR 2016/17 BOOK!!

PRE-ORDER NOW TO RECEIVE 6 PRINTED EARLY BIRD OFFERS. Choose between the Book or the Digital membership and securely purchase online with a just a few clicks. Our payment address is <http://www.entbook.co.nz/104U135>.



PAK N SAVE FUNDRAISER - please bring your receipts from Porirua Pak n Save to the office.



YUMMY STICKERS –fundraiser and class competition – new sheets available from office or download from website www.yummyfruit.co.nz



SUBWAY LUNCHES – EVERY FRIDAY

Just fill out details on the subway envelope, put in the money and give it to your teacher on Thursday morning for a yummy subway lunch on Friday.

WEDNESDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLES – HELP NEEDED

Sausage sizzles are available for lunch for \$2.00 every Wednesday. If you are available to help cook and serve between 12 and 1pm each Wednesday please put your name on the roster in the office foyer. Thank you to the wonderful people who have helped out so far this term.



NEW FAMILIES AFTERNOON TEA

It was great to see so many new faces at our afternoon tea on Friday, a very warm welcome to our Paremata school community – *Paremata School PTA*



Environews



Fact: Did you know that 90% of marine rubbish found on coasts is related to purchased drinks, caps, straws and other packaging (Chupa chup sticks are really bad)



Solution: A leading cause is **thoughtlessness** so please make better decisions with litter.

COMMUNITY NEWS

WHIO FUN FOR EASTER:

Staglands Wildlife Reserve is marking [WHIO AWARENESS MONTH](#) with a fun-filled EASTER WEEKEND of WHIO RIVER RACING at The Reserve, 25th – 28th MARCH.

Early birds through the gate will receive a special number that corresponds to a plastic Whio. Races will take place twice daily throughout the Easter long weekend, with some fantastic prizes up for grabs for the top ducks across the finish line!! Also meet our resident Whio pair in their exciting new walk-through aviary, a wonderful recreation of their natural habitat. Find out more at www.staglands.co.nz

MARSDEN SCHOOL WHITBY - INFORMATION EVENINGS

Marsden School Whitby is the only co-educational private school in the Wellington region, and is holding information evenings as follows: Thursday 31 March, 7pm at St Mary's Church, Discovery Drive, Whitby. Thursday 7 April, 7pm at the Kapiti Community Centre, Ngahina Street, Paraparaumu. All welcome! marsden.school.nz

QUEEN MARGARET COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

We would like to extend an invitation to Year 8 girls at your school to apply for the Year 9, 2017 scholarships. Parents can find out further information regarding our Scholarships www.qmc.school.nz/admissions/scholarships

Year 8 parents may also be interested in the Ministry of Education **Aspire Scholarship**. The Aspire Scholarship provides assistance for low income families towards the costs of private secondary schooling. It will contribute up to \$15,000 per year towards the tuition fees of a private school for the duration of a student's attendance at this school. It will also include a yearly allowance of up to \$1,500 for course related costs.

[Please visit the Ministry of Education website for more information.](#)

TOY LIBRARIAN – WHITBY TOY LIBRARY

The Whitby Toy Library is seeking a toy librarian to run their twice weekly sessions (Wed and Sat mornings) and manage all administration around memberships, toy issues and returns, database maintenance and creating volunteer rosters. This is a paid position for 11 hours per week. You will need to be self-motivated, organized, friendly and of course have an affinity with children. For more information, a position description or to apply, please contact robandchanel@gmail.com. Applications close Friday 1 April 2016.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY COMPUTER CLASSES

For ages 5 – 15 in Minecraft, Create 3D Games, Coding, Web Design, Animation, Video Editing, and Building a PC and if young the Discovery Computer Class. For further information call 488 0787 or e-mail www.grandtraining.co.nz.

SUNDAY 17TH - THURSDAY 21ST APRIL. EL RANCHO KIDS CAMP. The theme is "LET'S GO CAMPING".....so there'll be the same great camp experience we usually offer, along with a Survival stream for those that are keen to sleep outdoors and challenge their survival skills! Book at www.elrancho.co.nz.

PORIRUA GRAND TRAVERSE – 3 APRIL 2016

Early bird prices until 26TH March – so enter now – all ages, all abilities – all amazing. Flyers with more information available from the office or www.pgt.org.nz

EASTER SERVICE - ST PHILIPS (the little church over the road) invites you to Easter Sunday service at 9.30am, with chocolate eggs to celebrate Easter in a relaxed family service, Sunday 27th. A great way to start off the Easter festivities. If you have any questions you can call Andrea on 237 8299.

