

**PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**  
**WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2017**  
**WEEK 1**



**NEW ZEALAND  
CHINESE LANGUAGE WEEK**  
**16-22 October 2017**

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018

Gala Meeting @ 7.30pm in staff room  
Paremata School Spring Gala – 11.00am – 3.00pm  
School Photos for Juniors (Rm 1A/1B/2)  
Teachers Only Day – **SCHOOL CLOSED**  
Maori and Pasifika Community Hui  
End of Term 4 @ 12.30pm  
Term 1 commences



Kia ora tatou

Welcome to term 4. As usual we have a very busy term ahead so we hope you all had a nice relaxing holiday. We would like to welcome all the new children and their families to our school community.

**Gala Helpers**

The Paremata School Spring Gala is fast approaching and we still need people to help on Saturday October 28. If you are free to work on the day please contact Jo Gibbs on [parematagibbs@orcon.net.nz](mailto:parematagibbs@orcon.net.nz).

**Sunhats**

Just a friendly reminder that sun hats are compulsory for all children in Term 4 and Term 1. Please make sure your child has a named sun hat for school this term.

**Teacher Only Day**

Our annual Teacher Only Day for moderating student achievement data and end of year reports is on Friday November 10<sup>th</sup>. **School will be closed for instruction** and we are very grateful for your support with this.

**School Fees Now Due**

Term 4 fees are now due – invoices will be emailed to every family soon. Fees can be paid by eftpos, cash or online into our bank account ASB 12-3254-0048796-00.

Just a reminder that the **Activity Fee is a compulsory fee** which covers the cost of the aquatic programme, shows and trips that students attend during the 2017 year. **As there are a number of trips plus the aquatic programmes this term, this fee will need to be paid in full before your child can participate.** Please contact Michelle in the office if you have any queries.

Nga mihi nui - Matua Bryce

**Maori and Pasifika Hui**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 6-7pm in School Hall**

Please come along to discuss what is important for our Māori and Pasifika tamariki at Te Kura o Paremata, and 2 candidates to represent on the Board of Trustees (1 x Māori and 1 x Pasifika) Nga Patai. Any questions please contact Janet Collier-Taniela on 021 1251614 or [j.colliertaniela@gmail.com](mailto:j.colliertaniela@gmail.com) or Kylie Wihapi 027 8260300 or [kylie.wihapi@gmail.com](mailto:kylie.wihapi@gmail.com)

**Whiria Te Tangata/Let's weave the people together!**



### JUNIOR PHOTOS (RM1A/1B/15) – FRIDAY 3<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

All children will be photographed and you will receive an order envelope featuring a photo of your child **AFTER PHOTO DAY**. If your child was away for the photos earlier in the year and would like a portrait photo done, please just let Marie or Michelle in the office know.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – ISSUE NO. 7 – PLEASE ORDER ONLINE [mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz)**


If you wish to purchase from the current book club selection, please send your order and money to the office no later than **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**. If paying by cheque, please write them out to Scholastic NZ Ltd and remember to include your name and room number and order number on the form.

## PAREMATA SCHOOL GALA – SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

**11.00AM – 3.00PM**

This is it, the short 2 weeks which slide straight into the gala. What can you do?



- Offer to help at a 2.5 hour shift on gala day selling items. Over **45 helpers still required!**
  - Bring in your donated clothes, shoes, toys, games, books and magazines into the office.
  - Bric-a-Brac items wanted, drive through drop off **Friday 20 & Friday 27 between 8.30am – 8.50am**
  - **Raffle Tickets** - Thanks to all the families still selling tickets. Can we have all sold and unsold tickets and money returned to the office by next Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October.
  - Offer to make **fudge or a dessert** for Gala day, deliver to school on Friday 27 October.
  - **Deliver flyers** now to shops in the local area, help put them up in windows to advertise.
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- The logo for 'PRELOVE' is located in the bottom right corner. It features the word 'PRELOVE' in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. A red heart symbol replaces the letter 'O'. Below this, the tagline 'THE JOY OF SECOND HAND' is written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font. The entire logo is set against a yellow rectangular background.



- **Cake boxes** went home at the end of last term. Decorated boxes are to be returned with some yummy (NUT FREE) baking on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – please take straight to the Library. There are spare cake boxes available from the school office.

Any questions or offers to help, please email straight to [paremataschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:paremataschoolpta@gmail.com) especially if you have clothing racks we could borrow OR a large chilly bin that you could bring into the office (named) OR have a gas BBQ that could be delivered on Saturday & picked up again for outdoor food to use - THANKS.

Please post our event to your Facebook page and invite all your friends along, we need to get the date known in the community - It's an event for everyone not just our school families.

[www.facebook.com/events/1558262154208461/](http://www.facebook.com/events/1558262154208461/)

**Thank you for your help towards our biggest fundraiser of the year. The Gala Committee**

## ENVIRONNEWS – CONSERVATION WEEK 14 -22 OCTOBER



*Conservation Week is run by DOC each year to encourage people to get involved in nature and help to take care of it.*

*Conservation Week 2017 encourages you to “love your backyard” through getting involved in activities and events either in your own backyard or in our big New Zealand backyard. There are heaps of places that need some love to help bring back our native birds, and protect our wildlife and flora and fauna.*

There are lots of conservation activities you can do with friends and family outside. Doing something for Conservation Week is easy. Take a look through these activities for ideas from the Department of Conservation website. Also check out events that are on in your area. (<http://www.doc.govt.nz/conservationweek>)

**Install a rat trap and save native birds** -Setting traps in your garden will help native birds, lizards, and invertebrates.

**Attract lizards to your garden**-Get involved in conserving our lizards by creating an inviting home for them in your garden.

**Pick up rubbish**-Get a team together with gloves and rubbish sacks to see how much rubbish you can remove.

**Become a Water Champion**-We Kiwis love our backyard. Whether our own gardens, parks or our big kiwi backyard! Because we love it, we want to take care of it.

**Prevent the spread of garden pest plants**-Today's garden flowers can be tomorrow's weeds - find out what you can do to reduce the spread of invasive weeds from your garden.

**Attract birds to your garden**-Learn how to plan and plant a garden to attract native birds.

**Check your garden green score**-Birds and bugs such as spiders, moths, beetles, earthworms and stick insects like green backyards. They move in. Use our checklist to find out how 'green' your garden is.

**Track your cat**-Help protect wildlife in your neighbourhood from your cat. Earn a Kiwi Guardians medal for tracking your cat - there are a lot of simple things you can do.

**Make your cat conservation friendly**-Take a quiz to find out how conservation friendly your cat is and read tips for improving your score.

**Take a garden insect census**-Take a garden insect census to see if you have a good range of bugs and beetles in your backyard.

**Family-friendly walks and tramps**-These interesting short and overnight walks are great options for getting outdoors with children.





# LAMB & CALF DAY



**SAT 4<sup>TH</sup> NOV-10AM-2PM**  
**COUNTRY FAIR FUN FOR EVERYONE!**

[www.lambandcalfday.co.nz](http://www.lambandcalfday.co.nz)

## WEETBIX KIDS TRYATHLON SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2018

Register NOW [www.try.weetbix.co.nz](http://www.try.weetbix.co.nz)  
 or call 0800 weetbix - See noticeboard for more information.

**ART CLASSES** in Paremata Studio with established artist Michele Courage. Spaces available on Mondays and Tuesdays from 4pm to 5.30pm. Details at Creative Kids on [www.michelecourage.com](http://www.michelecourage.com) or contact Michele on 021 610317.

## YOGA FUNDAMENTALS 6-WEEK WORKSHOPS

October 24<sup>th</sup> to November 28<sup>th</sup>

Paremata Boat Club

The morning one runs every Tuesday at 9:15 - 10:15am. This would be perfect for Mums & Dads who drop off their kids at school - people who want to invest some time in improving their wellbeing.

[www.yogacollective.nz/workshop](http://www.yogacollective.nz/workshop)

## ROCKSTAR UKE CLUB

Get your little Rockstar along to Uke Club. New songs, new moves and...Christmas Carols.

Want to go Busking? Perform on stage? Heaps of fun to be had. Contact Shane for more details.

[theukuleleinstitute@gmail.com](mailto:theukuleleinstitute@gmail.com) 027 27 37 47 5

## Adolescence

### Unravelling the Mystery of the Adolescent Brain

We sometimes think of the adolescent years as a time of challenging behaviours. An understanding of the changes taking place in the adolescent brain may help you to view these years as a positive step on their journey to adulthood.



**Date**  
 Wednesday 1st November 2017

**Times**  
 6.45pm for 7pm start. Presentation will be approximately 2 hours long

**Venue**  
 Plimmerton School Hall  
 11 School Road, Plimmerton

**RSVP**  
 Heidi Foster by Friday 27th October 2017  
 Phone 021 790 225 or Email: [schoolseminar2017@gmail.com](mailto:schoolseminar2017@gmail.com)

**Cost**  
 \$20 per ticket. Pay via internet banking: 12-3142-0222251-04 (include your full name and number of tickets as reference). Free tea, coffee and snacks will be available.

### Programme Overview

Adolescence is a period of great opportunity! However, it can also be a time of vulnerability. This evidence based seminar unravels different factors that may influence healthy adolescent brain development and helps you to...

- **Discover** why your adolescent seems to experience their emotions more intensely; why their 'highs' are higher and their 'lows' lower
- **Understand** why they may be drawn to new, exciting and sometimes risky activities; and on the other hand why they want to sleep so much
- **Learn** what may help or hinder their brain development
- **Value** the important role you play in supporting them on this journey



"The presentation was fantastic, it was like she was talking to me. Her stories just stuck, and it was nice how she didn't tell you how to parent but told you what was happening."  
 Mother (Wellington)



[www.brainwave.org.nz](http://www.brainwave.org.nz)

