

PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 18th MARCH 2020

TERM 1 – WEEK 7



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IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 20th March

Monday 23th March – 27th March

Monday 30th March – 8th April

Tuesday 31st March

Thursday 9th April

Friday 10th April – Friday 24th April

Monday 27th April

Tuesday 28th April

Movin' March WOW Family Day

Kahikatea Syndicate Camp

Book Week and Book Fair

Book Character Parade @ 9.00am on netball courts

Teacher Only Day – SCHOOL CLOSED

Easter – Good Friday and School Holidays

Anzac Day (Mondayised)

Term 2 commences



Kia ora tatou

COVID-19 Update

The Board of Trustees met last night to discuss the status of COVID-19 in Wellington at this point in time. The following protocols are now in place at school based on the school's Pandemic Plan.

- Any child or staff member living in a house with a person in self-isolation cannot come to school until the 14 days have been completed.
- Any person with a runny nose, sore throat, cough, temperature or flu like symptoms at home is not to come to school. If this arises at school they will be given a face mask and put in the medical room until they are collected.
- All children and staff who have been away from school with flu symptoms must have a medical clearance to return.
- All full school assemblies and Powhiri are cancelled until further notice.
- Team assemblies may continue but only with social distancing protocols implemented.
- The school will follow the greeting protocols outlined by the Prime Minister over the weekend i.e no handshakes, hugs or hongi.
- All parents are expected to clean their hands before coming into school.
- All visitors to the school to meet with children or staff will be questioned on their health status, overseas travel and self-isolation.
- Washing hands and using hand sanitiser is compulsory including all visitors to the school. This will be monitored by all staff.
- School cleaning is being carried out daily as usual with a high focus on disinfecting classroom tables, chairs, light switches, IT equipment, phones, door handles and handrails.

School camp next week

The BOT discussed the camp at length and have agreed based on the COVID-19 status as of today that it will go ahead. A detailed letter outlining health and safety at the camp will be sent home to all parents of the Kahikatea team today. If parents still have concerns they may keep their child at school next week and will need to inform us by Friday so we can adjust our school staffing. If the Ministry of Education request all schools cancel camp then we will do so.

COVID-19 Updates

Here are the links relating to COVID -19 and supporting you children at this time.

<https://www.health.govt.nz/news-media/news-items/covid-19-media-update-17-march>

<https://education.govt.nz/school/health-safety-and-wellbeing/pastoral-care-and-wellbeing/talking-to-children-about-covid-19-coronavirus/>

Thank you all for your cooperation. The health of safety of our entire school community and the people highly vulnerable to COVID 19 are paramount. We are aiming to make safe and sensible decisions trying to keep school calm and business as usual.

Please read the letter attached to this newsletter regarding camp and COVID-19

Kahikatea Syndicate (Seniors) – Full Payments Due tomorrow at the latest

The total for camp is \$280 and the fun run sponsorship money will deducted from your child's total.

Our bank account number is 12 3254 0048796 00.

Nga mihi nui - Matua Bryce

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – ISSUE NO. 2 – ORDER ONLINE mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

If you wish to purchase from the current book club selection, please order online no later than **Monday 23rd March**. If you would like any purchases to be held at the office, please order online under OFFICE.

SCHOOL HOODIE ORDERS

Term 1 orders need to be in by this Friday March 20th.

The hoodies are \$45 each, come in navy blue and have the new Paremata School logo on the front. If you would like your names across the back, these hoodies are \$55. Payment can be made online 12 3254 0048796 00 (name and hoodie as reference); eftpos in office or cash.



MOVIN' MARCH IS HERE!



Kia korikori te haere

MOVINMARCH.COM

Our school will hold a **WOW Family Day on Friday 20 March** and we are encouraging **everyone** to walk or wheel to school.

You can win one of 12 x \$400 My Ride vouchers. Ask your teacher to stamp your card each time you walk or wheel to school or back home. When your card is full, drop it off at Rūma Kōkako

to go in the draw. Remember on Friday the Movin' March team will give out stickers and spot prizes at the school gate to all active travellers.

Did you know we have a 'scooter school bus' at our school? These active students scooter to Paremata school most weeks. They meet at Dolly Varden car park and with the help of their parents they scooter across the bridge to school.



YEAR 3 AND 4 RIP RUGBY

Western Zone Riprugby tournament on March 24th is cancelled until further notice, they will hopefully be able to run this event later in the year.

NETBALL – FROM NGATI TOA NETBALL

A meeting with Netball NZ and the five zones have seen an advisory delivered to all netball centres and competition organisers affiliated to Netball NZ, with a decision to postpone all winter competitions until at least Saturday 2 May. Recognising the need for teams to prepare for a competition starting from 2 May at the earliest, clubs and schools in the process of trialling, naming teams and commencing trainings are to postpone until four weeks before the start of their competition or the first week in April at the earliest. Given the changing environment this position may change in coming weeks.

Just to let you know that we have just received the above information from Netball NZ regarding COVID-19. The committee will be discussing these recent developments and how this will affect our Ngati Toa Netball registration and season in the coming days. Obviously with postponing trialling, naming of teams and training until the first week in April at the earliest affects the date we have set for registrations. In some cases, we will at this point extend registrations until **8th April**. As our season does not actually start until May 2nd we will keep an eye on the changing environment and if we receive any further updates we will be in touch.



Book Week - Monday 30th March to Wednesday 8th April

Venture deep into the ice-cold Polar Regions to the coolest reading expedition ever. It is time to celebrate books and the joy of reading as we prepare for Paremata School's Book Week. There will be our usual daily quiz and activities. Plus the very successful "Decorating Your Classroom Window" Competition. Design and decorate your room window based on a book, series of books or an author. This year the Book Character Parade will be held on the Tuesday 31st March at 9:00am on the netball courts

A blizzard of books is blowing in for our Book Week and everyone is **invited to chill out in our Wondrous Snow Cave and discover the Arctic Adventure Book Fair: Snow much to read!** The Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that provides the books that kids want to read. It is a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Reading for pleasure, inside & outside school, has real and long lasting benefits. It unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Also all purchases benefit our school.

Students will brave the cold-snap to pre-visit with their classes on 26th, 27th & 30th March and fill in their wish list. Then the **Arctic Adventure Book Fair** will be open to all before and after school



Monday 30th March, Wednesday 1st, Friday 3rd,

Monday 6th & Wednesday 8th April

8:30 – 9:00am & 2:30 – 4:30pm

Tuesday 31st March, Thursday 2nd & Tuesday 7th April

8:30 – 9:00am & 2:30 – 5:30pm

Bundle up and come to the coolest place to be this term

Emma, the Arctic Adventurer

ARTRAGEOUS KIDS

Aimed at children aged 5-12 years. Our classes provide a space for all children to explore at their own pace; chaotic or careful, gingerly or with gusto, tiptoeing or tromping. Our aim is to draw out their creativity, not stuff things in! **Bookings essential. BOOK NOW!**

Venue: Poneke Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Tce, Mt Cook, Wellington

8.30am–3:00pm \$69 and after care 3:00pm–5.15pm \$15

ARTRAGEOUS APRIL ADVENTURE: 14 – 24 April 2020 » Programme BOOK ARTRAGEOUS APRIL

BIG KIDS (OLDERAGEOUS)

Our BIG KIDS programme 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 and using their imagination and creativity in a hilariously fun atmosphere. **Bookings essential. BOOK NOW!** *Venue varies (please refer to our booking site): Poneke Dojo, Prince of Wales Park, Salisbury Tce, Mt Cook, Wellington, or Pavillion at Wellington High School, Taranaki St, Mt Cook, Wellington*

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KIWI HOCKEY

Registrations for Kiwi Hockey 2020 are now open. Please fill in the form at this link <https://forms.gle/Fc8DzidHNf7uuxrPA>

Due to lack of numbers in recent years, I have not included year 1/2. Registrations will close at the end of term 1. Any questions, please let us know at info@tawajuniorhockey.org.nz

WILDERKIDS is a school holiday programme with a difference.

Run by Sustainability Trust – a social enterprise that invests its profits back into its community work such as the Wellington Curtain Bank. Wilderkids is all about time away from screens. It about getting back to nature, doing things like: Building shelters; Foraging for food; Getting crafty; Saving the whales; Making new friends; Learning about nature

When: 8.30 am to 3.15 pm – Tuesday 14 April to Friday 17 April and Monday 20 April to Friday 24 April.

Where: Innermost Gardens, 31 Lawson Place, Mount Victoria

Who: Kids aged 5-12


How much: \$56 per day + 10% discount on full week bookings

We also save daily \$10 spots for families with a Community Services Card. [Click here to register](#)

For more information on Wilderkids head to <https://sustaintrust.org.nz/school-holiday-programme>

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