

PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2023

WEEK 7 – TERM 4



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Tuesday 28 th November	Kahikatea Team on camp until 1 December
Thursday 30 th November	SummerFest @ Rangikura School
Friday 1 st December	Parumoana Inter-School Speech Competition
Friday 1 st December	Gumboot Friday – gold coin donation
Wednesday 6 th December	Pohutukawa Team – Big Day Out at Aotea Lagoon
Monday 11 th December	Kauri Team Fun Day at Aotea Lagoon
Tuesday 12 th December	School Multi Challenge Event 9:00 – 10:30am
Wednesday 13 th December	Year 8 Leavers Awards Evening
Thursday 14 th December	Kauri Team Trip to Porirua Aquatic Centre
Friday 15 th December	School finishes for 2023 @ 12:30pm
Tuesday 30 th January	School commences for 2024



Wednesday 29 th -Thursday 30 th November	Library open for returning books only. No Issues
Friday 1 st December	ALL library books must be returned
Friday 1 st – Friday 8 th December	Library CLOSED, including lunchtimes, for stocktake
Monday 11 th – Thursday 14 th December	Library open for Summer Reading Programme issues only

Kia ora tatou

FORENSIC INSIGHT

Our Year 5-8 students have had the privilege of working with an authentic CSI - Crime Scene Investigation team this week. The tamariki have really enjoyed the hands-on forensic investigations. Thanks to Becky for organising this excellent opportunity for these syndicates.

Kahikatea Team on Camp

Next Tuesday, our year 7&8 students are off on the ferry to Picton, water taxi to Queen Charlotte Sounds and Mistletoe Bay. They will spend an amazing fun filled 4 days on camp in the Marlborough Sounds. Thank you to everyone who has helped make this trip possible. We hope you all have a great time.

Speech Competitions



Congratulations to Ysabella Stokes who won the year 5-6 school speech competition yesterday. Ysabella's speech was about "Changing the World" and she will be representing Paremata School at the Inter-School Speech Competitions on Friday, 1st December

The Year 7-8 school speech competition will be held this Friday, 24th November.

Ngā mihi – Matua Bryce

Term Dates

End of term 4 2023
Friday 15th December @ 12:30pm

2024 -Term 1

Tuesday 30th January @ 8:50am
Friday 12th April @ 3:00pm

Easter

Friday 29th March
Tuesday 2nd April - Schools closed

2024 -Term 2

Monday 29th April @ 8:50am
Friday 5th July @ 3:00pm





GUMBOOT FRIDAY – FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

Please remember to bring/wear your gumboots on Friday 1st!

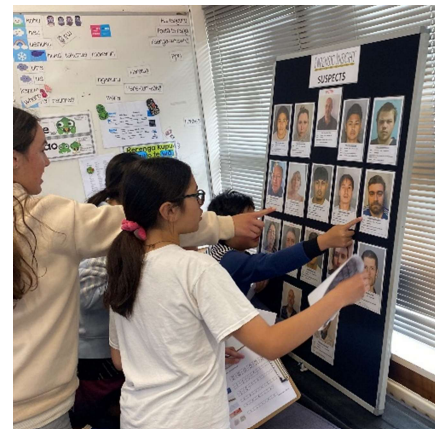
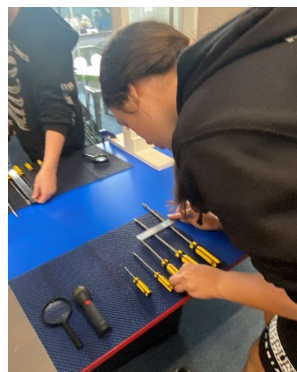
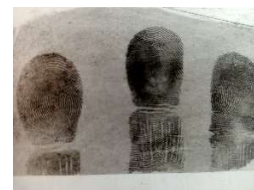
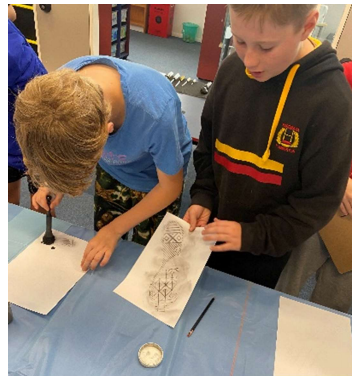
There will be fun activities for everyone on the day and if you want to decorate them, there will be a *funkiest* and *coolest* gumboot competition with some amazing prizes.

A gold coin donation is appreciated as this is a fundraiser and 100% of donations go to counselling for kiwi kids and young people.



On Tuesday, we had two forensic scientists, Tom and Allie come in to teach us about forensic science and what they do. They'd set up a mock crime scene which we had to solve. We went to the place of the crime scene and observed everything in the room, so when we came back, we would know if anything had moved. At the crime scene we had seen a piece of paper on the floor which could potentially have had shoeprints on it. We took the piece of paper back to class and we used magna powder and the magna pen to reveal if there were shoeprints. There was a shoeprint that had appeared! We went to the board to see if it matched any of the suspects shoeprints. After we had matched the shoe prints, we went back to the crime scene to see if anything had changed. We entered the crime scene and immediately noticed the different things that had changed. We observed the changes and went back to the classroom.

We looked at a piece of hair and fabric through a microscope we had found at the crime scene, we knew we were close to finding the criminal. The next test we did was the DNA test. We were actually so lucky because we were the youngest students in New Zealand to go over the DNA topic. We used a swab to get the artificial blood and then put it into a tube. We then had to link the DNA to the right suspect which was quite hard. The last test was the fingerprint test. We had gotten the fingerprints from a cup the thief used to collect money and then once we had gotten the fingerprints, the criminal was revealed. In conclusion, this activity had taught us so much, and possibly inspired the next generation of forensic scientists. Imran, Room 5



LIBRARY STOCKTAKE AND END OF YEAR DETAILS

Every year, in December, I do a stocktake of all the library books. This means that I scan all the books that the library has in it. This helps to keep the catalogue information up to date, as well keeping an accurate number of books (stock) in the library. I also find out books that are missing and what needs to be reordered.

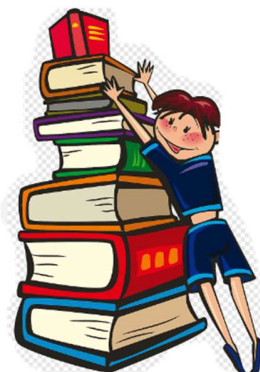
In order for this to be done, on Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th November the library will be open for returning books only.

ALL the library books need to be returned by **Friday 1st December**.

After this the returns bin will be outside the library for any late returns and a couple of students will be going to classrooms to collect as well.

From Friday 1st - Friday 8th December the library will be **CLOSED**

The library will be open again, for extended hours, from **Monday 11th - Thursday 14th December** for **Summer Reading Programme issues ONLY**. Thanks Emma



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – ISSUE NO. 8 – ORDER ONLINE mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

Online orders due tomorrow, **Thursday 23th November**. If you would like any purchases to be held at the office, please order online under **OFFICE**.



REMINDER – Frankfurters are finished now for the year.



Sausage Sizzle every Wednesday - \$2:00 each

ENTERTAINMENT PUBLICATION



BLACK FRIDAY SALE! When you support our school's fundraising with a purchase of a 12 or 24 month Entertainment Membership from them between 6.00pm, Monday 20th November – Midday, Monday 27th November you will receive a second membership **FOR FREE**. Yep, that's double the fun, double the dining, and double the savings!

Order here at our fundraising page: <https://subscribe.entertainmentnz.com/fundraiser/104u135>



Did you know our wai can run dry?

This summer, Wellington's got to work together to protect our precious water.

Can you make at least one of the water saving tips below a habit?

- Turn your tap off when you brush your teeth
- Try having a shower in just four minutes!
- Press the 'half flush' button on your loo

Even better, come up with a new water saving tip and WIN!

Get your friends or whānau together and brainstorm your best water saving tips! If your tip is the winner, you'll get a \$50 Prezzy Card.

Just send in your water saving tips by December 15th to info@wellingtonwater.co.nz with the subject line "Water Saving Tip Competition" and you're in the draw.

Looking for more water saving tips? Head to WellingtonWater.co.nz for loads more.



ARTY FARTY KIDS - Mini Christmas Art Sessions



We are running some Mini Christmas Art Sessions when the children finish for the holidays. Take a look at what we are doing and see if the Arty Farty Kid in your life may want to join us.

Please get in touch with us asap as sessions book up very quickly!

Contact office.artyfartykids@gmail.com for further information or to book a place.

CHRISTMAS ART SESSIONS				
	Monday 18th Dec	Tuesday 19th Dec	Wednesday 20th Dec	Thursday 21st Dec
AM 10.00am - 12.00pm	Rudolf Painting  Ages 10 - 13 years	Christmas Angel  Ages 10 - 13 years	Star Decoration & Hot Chocolate Jar  Ages 10 - 13 years	Snowflake Decoration  Ages 5 - 10 years
PM 2.00pm - 4.00pm	Snowman Skittle Game  Ages 5 - 13 years	Snowman Lolly Pot  Ages 10 - 13 years	Elf Painting  Ages 5 - 10 years	Winter Snow Scene  Ages 5 - 10 years



Christmas Holiday Programme @ Adventure School, 19 - 21 Dec 2023

BOOKINGS OPEN NOW! Ice cream Science & Ice Skating, a day out at Kapiti Coast, The Grinch meets Will Wonka and movies at the Lighthouse Cinema.

You can view and book online: www.asfc.co.nz

Summer Holiday Programme @ Adventure School, 15 Jan - 31 Jan 2023

Coming soon early December!

For more information e-mail holprog@asfc.co.nz or call 027-454-6975

Our opening times are 7.30am - 5.00 / 5.30pm. Children from all schools are welcome ☺

AFTER SCHOOL
FUN CLUB Holiday Programme @ Adventure School

DECEMBER/JANUARY HOLIDAY COMPUTER CLASSES

Grand Training runs educational and fun computer classes over the holidays at our Wellington City location for ages 5 to 16.

- Minecraft from Introduction to Mods and Servers
- Learn to Code; Scratch, Python or Java.
- Code and Create 3D Games.
- Web Design, HTML and CSS
- Build a PC
- Film and Video Editing
- Discovery Course in Computing - suitable for younger children
- Online Safety and Privacy

For information & bookings 499-2211 or grandtraining.co.nz