



PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL 2025

WEEK 10 – TERM 1



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Friday 11 th April	Book Parade @ 9:00am
Friday 11 th April	School Assembly @ 11:15am
Friday 11 th April	Last day of term 1 @ 3:00pm
Monday 28 th April	Term 2 commences @ 8:50am
Tuesday 20 th May	School Cross Country, pp 1- 22/5, pp2 – 27/5
Tuesday 13 th May	School Photos
Tuesday 3 rd June	Parumoana Cross Country, pp 5/6

Kia ora tatou



Book week

A huge thank you to our librarian Emma for the awesome book week organisation with the quizzes, window displays and the Book Fair. The classroom windows are looking amazing, so well done to all the classes for the wonderful displays. We finish our book week with a **Book Character Parade** on Friday, where we come along dressed up in our favourite book character.

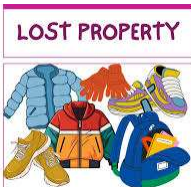
2025 Read-a-thon



How are you going gathering sponsors for the read-a-thon?

Money and forms are now due next term (2nd May). This gives you lots more time to collect more sponsors and add up more reading hours over the holidays and Easter break. There will be prizes for those children who collect the most money and gain the most sponsors.

Happy Holiday Reading!



Lost Property

We have a mountain of lost property in the room off the hall. This will be sent away at the beginning of the term 2 so please remind your children to have a look if they are missing any clothing.

End of term

We have had a very busy term as always and so much has been happening in the school. Thank you to all of our staff and school community for your ongoing commitment and support. We wish you all the very best for a safe and happy holiday and Easter break. Stay safe and well. School starts back on **Monday 28th April**.



Nga mihi nui - Matua Bryce



PAREMATA SCHOOL - BOOK WEEK 2025



Aloha,

Come hang loose with us on a *radical ride* through time, land and imagination during Paremata School's Book Week 2025 that will run this week.

Our Book Week is all about inspiring kids to *float with the flow* into the limitless worlds that books open up. We will be celebrating the magic of books and *fuelling the passion* for reading.

There will be a daily quiz on "What's On Top", "Make Your Shark Name" lucky draw and a classroom Window Display competition. It's great to see wonderful art work going up already on classroom windows. Don't forget to come into the library to make your guess on how many "Deep Sea" lollies are in the jar.

Yesterday we were lucky to have a visit from Wellington author **Ruth Paul**. This visit is provided free by Read NZ Te Pou Muramura. The kids enjoyed hearing about Ruth's writing and listening to her read. They also got to create their own story from just 3 words they thought of, along with a storyline that they brainstormed, while Ruth illustrated the story. Some children got to act out Ruth's prizewinning book "I am Jellyfish" which was very entertaining!

Cruise with the current and *dive* into last few days of our *splash'tacular* "Book Fair Beach: Catch the Reading Wave" on until the end of term.

Get designing a costume for the Book Character Parade held on Friday 11th April, the last day of Book Week, at 9:00 am on the netball courts, or hall if wet.

Sea you on the flip side, book riders



You're *o-fish-ially* invited to our "**Book Fair Beach: Catch the Reading Wave**", running until 11th April. Prepare to *paddle* out into a sea of stories, imagination, excitement, and endless possibilities!

Grab your togs, throw on your jandals, and catch the wave to the Book Fair! Last few days left to *snag some rad stories*. You will also be supporting our school as percentage of the sales goes to reward points, helping us expand our library collection and bring even more *tubular* books to the school!

Opening Hours:

Wednesday 9th & Friday 11th April **2:45 – 4:30 pm**

Thursday 10th April **2:45 – 5:00 pm**



Surf on in while you still can and help your kids find their next favourite book while being part of shaping their reading habits and *riding the tide* to new adventures!

Book-a-bunga, Emma

AUTHOR VISIT AND STORY IDEAS

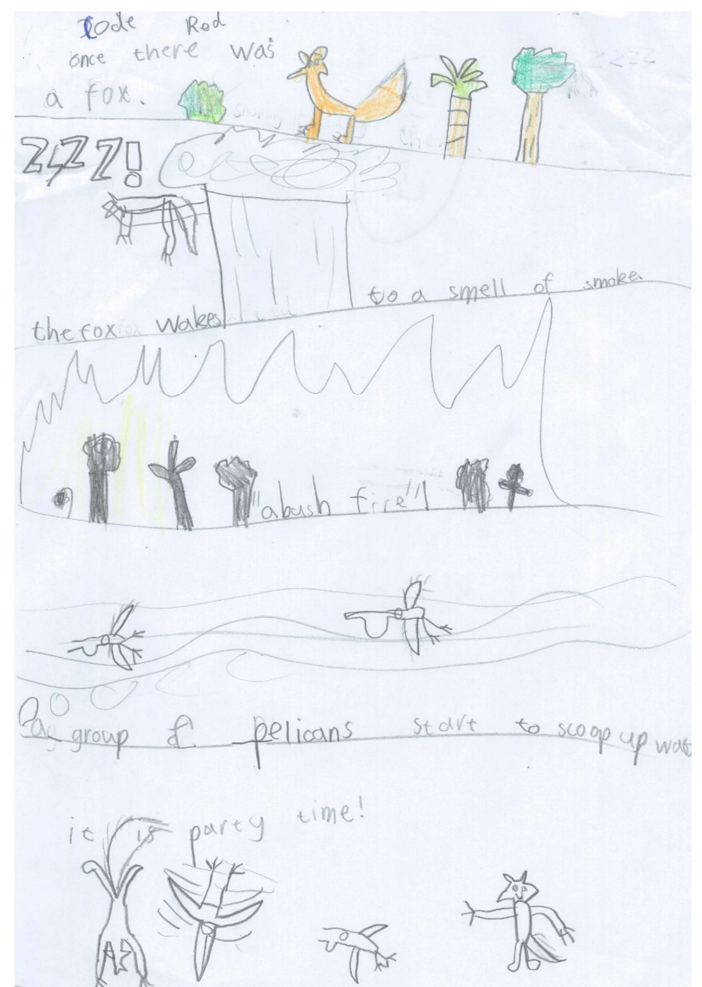
After being inspired by **Ruth Paul** (Author), Ruma Kea brainstormed
"how to make a story out of 3 ideas"

Here is their planning:

1. Character – Fox
 2. Setting - Forest
 3. Problem – Forest Fire
- a) Beginning – Fox lives in a forest
 - b) Build up – Fox is asleep in a dead tree
 - c) Problem – There is a forest fire
 - d) Solution – The fox's friends, the pelicans, help by collecting water from the lake and putting out the fire
 - e) Ending – There is a **Pink Pelican Party** to celebrate



Story plans by Liam and Forrest – Ruma Kea (10)



Some of the completed stories will be in next term's newsletter – watch this space.



SCHOOL LUNCHES – PIES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON MONDAY 28TH APRIL (1ST DAY OF TERM 2)



We have a new email address for any information about our lunches, confirmation for pre-paid orders etc; lunches@paremata.school.nz. Please **pre-pay online the night before** into our account **12 3254 0048796 00**.

MEAT PIE MONDAY – mince/steak and cheese (this will depend on what is in stock)

Meat pies will be available each Monday \$5.00.

Prepaid must be done by Sunday night



WEDNESDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE – sausage/bread/sauce

Sausage sizzles are available for lunch for \$2.00 each Wednesday

Prepaid must be done by Tuesday night



FRIDAY HAMBURGER – bun/meat pattie/lettuce/cheese

Hamburgers are available for lunch for \$5.00 each

Prepaid must be done by Thursday night

YUMMY STICKERS



Keep munching on apples over the holidays and filling in your Yummy sticker sheets.

Sticker sheets available from the office or online www.yummyfruit.co.nz



KIWI-HOOP HOLIDAY CAMPS which will be held at the **Walter Nash Stadium** from **April 14th to April 24th**. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to improve their basketball skills in a fun, engaging environment, and we'd love to have your school involved!

We offer four specialized camps designed to cater to different skill levels and interests:

- **All Star:** Years 6-8, 14th and 15th of April.
- **Swish:** Years 3-6, 22nd and 23rd of April.
- **Bounce:** Years 1-3, 24th of April
- **Girls Got Game:** 16 & 17 April, School years 3-8



Should you have any questions or require further details, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail or 027 9775292. Website: <https://www.capitalbasketball.org/>



NGĀTI TOA SEA SCOUTS—SPACES AVAILABLE!

Do you have a child aged 11-17 years who loves the water and might be keen to learn to sail? We offer sailing, camping, tramping, and so much more!



We have spaces available for both Scouts (11-14 years) and Venturers (14 - 18 years)

If your child is looking for adventure and new experiences, get in touch for more details and secure their spot today!

Email ngatitoaseascoutstreasurer@gmail.com for more information.



We are excited to be offering 2 x 1 day **Holiday workshops**. These are open to anyone from any school or homeschool. The cost is \$70 per day (sibling discounts available). All workshops are at **Porirua Montessori**, 39 Cleat St, Whitby

1. Ages 8+ Sew your own Tote Bag! In collaboration with Maria French Creative. Wednesday April 16th 9am-2.30pm.
2. Ages 5+ Our Big Wide World. Hosted by trained Montessori teacher Lisa Dei Gratia this one day workshop looks at the big questions behind the universe and humanity and offers science experiments, stories and fun activities. Thursday April 17th 9am - 2.30pm

More info and enrol here: <https://www.poriruamontessori.org/holiday-workshops/>



KELLY SPORTS IS BACK FOR THE APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME!

We have another action-packed programme at Porirua's best sports-based Holiday Programme!

Come and join Connor E and the Kelly Sports coaches for the best in sports fun.

We have some exciting days planned including:

Dodgeball Derby, Football Fun, Pirate Day, Brain and Game Teaser Day, Medieval Day, Bulls Eye plus a trip to Aotea Lagoon (Splash Pad) where Mr Whippy will be too. Plus, the Bouncy Castle is coming to Kelly Sports!

This sports-based holiday programme will give your child/ren the opportunity to try different sports, learn new skills, build their self-confidence, and most importantly have a huge amount of FUN.

Your child can expect high energy, all-inclusive games and activities to keep them entertained and engaged for however long they are staying!



To enrol www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call **021 972 728**