



# PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## WEDNESDAY 7 MAY 2025

### WEEK 2 – TERM 2

### NZ SIGN LANGUAGE WEEK



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#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>/Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Pohutukawa Team trip to Pataka

ParentLink Meeting 7pm in staffroom – all welcome

School Photos

**Pink Shirt Day**

School Cross Country/Colour Run, pp 1- 22/5, pp2 – 27/5

Teacher Only Day

Rangatahi Kahu Ako Rōpu visit to Maraeroa Marae

Ngāti Toa - Wānanga/ Bus trip

King's Birthday – Public Holiday

Parumoana Cross Country, pp 5/6

Kia ora tatou



#### **Mid-year Reporting Update**

Further to the information I sent out last week and following MOE guidance, we will now have four achievement levels in our mid-year and end of year reports. Students who are working well below the Year Group Phase they should be in, will be categorised as **Needing Support**. Students who are just below the Year Group Phase they should be in, will be classified as **Working Towards** the phase. Students who are working at the Phase they should be in, will be classified as **Working Within** and students who are working beyond their Year Group Phase will be **Working Above**. Please see the attached the information sent out last week for those that may have missed it.

#### **MOE's Parent Portal**

The Ministry of Education has opened an online parent portal which has all the information relating to our new curriculum refresh. This includes the Phases each year group is expected to be achieving at. Here is the link for those of you who are interested in having a perusal. <https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregivers/schools-year-0-13/parent-portal>.

#### **Family Contribution/Donations**

Statements will be emailed out to families next week. The School Donation Family Contributions are essential for covering our extra-curricular programmes and school trips. Donations for 2025 are as follows:

- One child - \$250
- Two or more children - \$350
- Year 7/8 Technology fee - \$80

Those families who pay in full by 1 December 2025 will go into a lucky draw to win their donation back.

Families are also welcome to set up a payment plan - please see Michelle in the office.

**Please find attached to this newsletter a guide on "How to claim your donation tax credit".**

#### **Teacher Only day – Friday 23 May**

Our annual term Teacher only Day will be on Friday 23 May. Apologies for not being able to attach it to the King's Birthday weekend as this was the only day our professional Development Facilitator was available. School will be closed for instruction for this staff professional development.



With thanks - Nga mihi nui - Matua Bryce

## LIBRARY NEWS

**Thank you** to all the staff, students, parents, and wider whānau who supported our Scholastic Book Fair. Thanks to your generosity, we raised over **\$3,600!**



This fantastic total means we qualify for a **30% return in Scholastic Rewards**—that's **\$1,104** to spend on new resources throughout the year.

Thank you again to everyone who purchased a book. It's a true **win-win situation**: a great read for home and new books for our library! Emma 😊

## CROSS COUNTRY/COLOUR RUN - TUESDAY 20TH MAY

We will be having our Cross Country year group races in the morning as usual, and ending the day with a fun relays **Colour Run** event.



We need volunteers to help marshal throughout the day and keep our tamariki safe on the day of Cross Country.

If you are able to help, please email Emma Tweedie [emmat@paremata.school.nz](mailto:emmat@paremata.school.nz) with the following information:

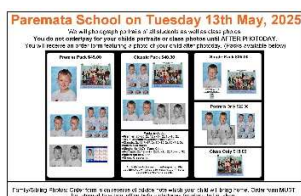
- Your name
- Time you are available - eg: 8:50 - 12:30, 8:50 - 10:40, 10:50 - 12:30 or 1:30-3pm
- Name of your child/ children and their class and year group.
- Phone number and email address.
- Availability for PP dates



## PINK SHIRT DAY

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May is **Pink Shirt Day**. Pink Shirt Day is about reducing bullying by celebrating diversity in all its forms. It supports workplaces, schools and communities to be safe, supportive, welcoming, and inclusive to all.

Last year Pink Shirt Day reached 85% of New Zealanders and 73% of those who saw the campaign said it helped them to stand up if they saw bullying. Please help the Mental Health Foundation deliver a wellbeing initiative for schools by bringing in a gold coin.



## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Next Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May are our school photos. Family/Sibling request forms were sent home this week. We do have spares in the office. If you wish a pre-schooler to have a photo with his/her siblings, please be at the school hall at 8:30am

## YUMMY STICKERS



Keep munching on apples and filling in your yummy sticker sheets so we can receive free sports equipment.

Sticker sheets available from the office or online [www.yummyfruit.co.nz](http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz)

## SCHOOL LUNCHES



We now have an email address for any information about our lunches, confirmation for pre-paid orders etc; [lunches@paremata.school.nz](mailto: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**



**IMMUNISATIONS** - Our public health nurses are coming to school in the week starting **2 June** to provide immunisation for Year 7 tamariki.

- If you have changed your mind or your child's medical situation has changed please contact us at [gw-nphsimmunisation@tewhatuora.govt.nz](mailto:gw-nphsimmunisation@tewhatuora.govt.nz), or call us on 04 587 2949.
- If you have not yet consented, but want to, please collect a consent form from the school office or contact us.
- If you declined the vaccines last year but you have changed your mind and you now want your year 8 child to receive the vaccine(s) please collect a consent form from

the school office or contact us.

- If your Year 8 child missed out last year and you would like them to catch up on their vaccinations, please collect a consent form from the school office or contact us.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at [gw-nphsimmunisation@tewhatuora.govt.nz](mailto:gw-nphsimmunisation@tewhatuora.govt.nz), or call us on 04 587 2949



## AFTER SCHOOL AND SATURDAY COMPUTER CLASSES

Our term time classes are smaller just 3 to 6 children. Classes are focused on what you want to learn. Class runs from 3:30 to 5:30 pm class fee \$180 for 4 sessions (doors open from 3:15). Saturday 1:30 - 4:30 pm. class fee \$260 for 4 sessions. Learn to Code Scratch, Python, or Learn to Code & Create 3D Games, Minecraft and A Discovery Course in Computing (suitable for younger children), Build Your Own Computer.

For information & bookings 04 499-2211 or [grandtraining.co.nz](http://grandtraining.co.nz)



Tomo mai kia ako, wehe atu kia mahi

**Te Kāreti o Tawa - Tawa College**

# OPEN EVENING

**Tuesday 17 June 2025**  
4.30pm - 6.30pm

Join us for a tour of the school with our tuakana and a presentation by our Tumuaki in the College Hall. Presentations are at 5pm and 6pm.

Visitor parking is available in the student carpark on Duncan Street and at Tawa Intermediate School.

Complete your online enrolment application prior to Wednesday 23 July 2025  
Contact us: [secretary@tawacollege.school.nz](mailto:secretary@tawacollege.school.nz) or (04) 232 8184

Enter to learn, depart to serve

## ARTY FARTY KIDS

I will be running two art sessions every Saturday during Term 2 in Whitby, I know a lot of you have been awaiting my return.

These sessions will look like this -

### 'Autumn Magic'

10.00am - 11.15am

Juniors - 5 - 10 years old

Limited spaces available

### 'Decorative Birds'

11.30am - 1.00pm

Seniors - 10 - 14 year olds

Limited spaces available

### Sessions will start on Saturday 15th May

The payment for the term is \$180.00 and this includes all resources and materials that we will use.

Please contact me at - [office.artyfartykids@gmail.com](mailto:office.artyfartykids@gmail.com) for further information.





# friends & family deals are here!

From 5 May - 18 May 2025

**cost\* + 5%**

Computers, Whiteware, TVs and Cellular<sup>#</sup>

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on all Smart Home

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storewide, exclusions apply<sup>#</sup>

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2.5% of total sales  
will go to Variety  
- The Children's Charity



Offers in this flyer run between 5th May - 18th May 2025, while stocks last. \*Cost reflects the average cost price of the product. \*\* Conditions and exclusions apply. See full terms and conditions for offer [here](#)

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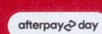
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