

PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 16TH JULY 2025

WEEK 1 – TERM 3



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Tomorrow

Tuesday 22nd July
Friday 15th August

Parent/Teacher/Child Conversations – School closes early

Parent/Teacher/Child Conversations
Teacher Only Day – School Closed



Kia ora tatou

Welcome back to Term 3, we hope you all had a great break with your tamariki and everyone is well rested. As always, we have a very busy term ahead. A very warm welcome to our new families and to our new staff. *Lisa Cowley* has opened our roll growth class this week and *Andreiana Feist (AJ)* is working with *Susan Moore* in Room 11 while *Michelle Thompson* teaches in Room 10 for the rest of 2025. We hope everyone settles in well.

Learning Conversations

Our first round of the term 3 Learning Conversations are on tomorrow. Many thanks to those families who have booked a time to meet with their child's teacher. If you haven't already done so, please book in for our second session next Tuesday 22 July as tomorrow's session will be closed (see booking information below). School will finish at 12.30pm tomorrow and the library will be open for siblings to use while the conferences are underway.

School Donation Family Contribution

Many thanks for those families who have paid their school donation for 2025 or continue to pay by installments. This is very much appreciated. An information letter about the importance of family donations for our school resourcing will be e-mailed out tomorrow.

Ministry of Education Approved Teacher Only Day

School will be closed for instruction on Friday August 15th for the staff to attend professional development on the refreshed NZ Curriculum. This will include looking at the maths curriculum and our local history. We appreciate your support with this.

Raffle Tickets/School Photos

Raffle tickets and school photos are being sent home this week, so please remember to check your children's bags. Individual and Class Photos can still be ordered.

Lunches – Price Increase for Sausages

Please note that our Wednesday sausage sizzles are now \$2.50. There was a little leeway today due to it being the first day of the increase, but from next week, the correct money will need to be paid online or in cash on the day.



Enrolments for Term 4 2025 and Term 1 2026

If you have a child starting school later this year or the beginning of next year and haven't yet enrolled them, please contact Marie in the office on 233 1339 or email mariea@paremata.school.nz We will be starting to look at our numbers for 2026 soon, so need to make sure we have everyone on our database.

Nga mihi - Matua Bryce

LEARNING CONVERSATIONS – SCHOOL CLOSES AT 12:30PM TOMORROW

Tomorrow's Conversations are now closed

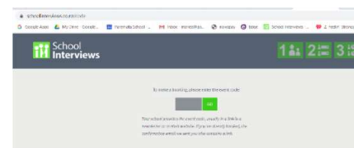


We are inviting **parents and students** to meet with teachers on

Tuesday 22 July 2:00pm – 8:00pm (end of last interview)

Go to <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code>,

type in the code **f3hbc** then fill in the boxes and book your times.



If you do not have access to the internet or are having difficulties, please contact the office to book a time. Siblings can be supervised in the library.

Room 11 Conference Days with Mrs Susan Moore will be on Tuesday 22 July (starting at 2:00pm) and Wednesday 23 July (starting at 3:30pm).

School will finish at 12:30pm on these days and After School Care will operate from 12:40pm **ONLY** for children normally enrolled on these days. Contact Raewyn on afterschoolcare@paremata.school.nz.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS



An election to appoint a new board will be held on **Wednesday 10th September**. Being a board member is one way of contributing and supporting your local school and can be a very rewarding experience. The board holds regular meetings and their role is one of governance rather than management of the school. This is a great opportunity to become involved in our school.



TIMELINE

*Nomination forms will be emailed to all eligible voters by	Friday, 18 July
Close Supplementary Roll	Monday, 4 August
Nominations Close	Wednesday, 6 August
Voting Papers issued by	Wednesday, 13 August
Election Day (voting closes)	4pm Wednesday, 10 September

*You may nominate yourself. Completed nomination forms are to be given to the returning officers, Michelle Griffin and Marie Arlow, c/- Paremata School office, Paremata Crescent.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – ISSUE NO. 5 – ORDER ONLINE mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

If you wish to purchase from the current book club selection, please order online no later than **Mondays 28th July**. If you would like any purchases to be held at the office, please order online under OFFICE.

PARUMOANA SWIMMING SPORTS

Year 5&6 Swimming- 19 August

Year 7&8 Swimming- 20 August



If your child is a competitive (or confident) swimmer and would like your child to be involved in this, please get in touch with Becky – beckys@paremata.school.nz. Ideally, we need times to put forward to our cluster.

PAREMATA SCHOOL RAFFLE TICKETS

As part of our School fundraising this year, we are again running this awesome raffle to raise money for classroom resources. ***Each child will be given 1 book to sell unless we have been advised otherwise.*** If you **do not** wish to sell these or if you require any more books to sell, please return or just let the office know.

Only \$2.00 per ticket with great prizes

1st prize - \$1,000 New World Voucher

There will be prizes for:

- The **student** who sells the most tickets.
- The **student** who sells the winning ticket.



Thank you to **Rainbow Creative** for their support with the production of the tickets



Choir Concert Tickets – Paremata School Performance - Tuesday 26 August, 5pm

There are NO LIMITS on tickets for Choir Concerts

Dancesplash Concert Tickets – Paremata School Performance – Wednesday 27 August, 7.30pm

Dance Concert Ticket Limit - There is a limit of two tickets per Dance performer for our Dance Concerts.

- Tickets will be sold through Ticketmaster www.ticketmaster.co.nz from **Monday the 21st of July.**

Ticket cost: Ticket cost: \$10.00 | Ticketmaster Transaction Fee: \$5.00 (the transaction fee is set and collected by Ticketmaster.

NETBALL

Ngati Toa website <https://www.sporty.co.nz/ngatitoanetball/home>

Netball Draw for this Saturday 19th July

OUR TEAM	PLAYING	TIME	COURT
Paremata Panthers	Papakowhai Thunder	9:00am	Court 2
Paremata Pistons	PBK Coast	9:00am	Court 1
Paremata Piranhas	Pauatahanui Diamonds	10:50am	Court 2
Paremata Pulse	Discovery Defenders	11:45am	Court 2
Paremata Pumas	St Theresa Saints	1:35pm	Court 2
Paremata Pipis	Hampton Heros	2:20pm	Court 2



Children's University Discovery Day

On Friday 27th of June, 26 children from Paremata school (Year 5-8), travelled by double decker bus to Massey University as part of 'Kids University'. On the way, we collected students from Bishop Viard and Amesbury school. We got off the bus and walked into Massey University, it was massive! Everyone gathered into the grand hall and ate morning tea, they gave us fruit and some packets of biscuits. The apples and mandarins were delicious.

After eating, our school got together and walked across the University to get to the gym. When we got to the gym we got to play 'Simon says'. At the gym we were introduced to Jacob and Jesse, our personal coaches. We used the gym equipment going in rotations. The equipment we used were ladders, bikes, weight balls, and dumbbells. It was lots of fun but we were all tired and hot afterwards.

Then we got split into two groups. One group went to make stickers in the fab lab, while the others went to a music studio. Those of us who went sticker making really enjoyed ourselves, it was heaps of fun. To make the stickers, we drew on some card and decided which colour we wanted them printed out on, then the people at fab lab would get the machine that cut out our stickers.

Next, both groups met up for some lunch. There was a cafe next to the cozy little room with bean bags and chairs we ate in so some students got food from there.

After lunch we split up again into the same groups. Our group went to learn how to DJ at the cafe and the other group went to learn about wildlife with the people who work at Zealandia. At the DJ station we learnt how to scratch, and mix the records. The students who went to the Zealandia session learnt that if you get lost in the wild you can use kawa kawa leaves as medicine, flax as clothes/rope and lemonwood can be used as perfume!

Sadly, it was time to go. We hopped on the double decker bus and drove back to school, dropping off Bishop Viard and Amesbury school on the way.

By Charlotte, Harriet and Piper



Papakowhai Shared Path

We are excited to have recently completed our multi-use Papakowhai Shared Path, from Whitford Brown Avenue to Paremata Crossing, and now we are keen to gather some feedback about the path from our community members.

Your students, staff and whanau may have noticed some of the new safety features on the path such as:

- Pedestrian / cyclist raised crossings
- Improved street lighting
- New crossings to the train station, Aotea Lagoon, and the Lagoon Playground
- Bench seating, picnic tables and two innovative cycle tool stations

We would love to hear from your school community – please complete [survey link](#)

PLIM-CON BOARD GAME EVENT

Grab your tickets now

Email: pta@plimmerton.school.nz



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BOARDGAME EVENT

Board Games	Magic the Gathering	Family Fun	Raffles and Prizes
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SATURDAY 26 JULY
PLIMMERTON SCHOOL HALL

FAMILY EVENT	EVENING EVENT
TIME: 2-4:30PM	TIME: 7-10PM
TICKETS: SINGLE \$10 FAMILY \$30	TICKETS: SINGLE \$20 COUPLE \$35
MAGIC TOURNAMENT: \$5	MAGIC TOURNAMENT: \$10

SNACKS, BAKING AND DRINKS AVAILABLE
TEA AND COFFEE PROVIDED

PRE PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS
NOW THROUGH LUNCHONLINE
UNTIL 10 JULY

Building Confidence, Learning & Achievement Through Gym!

From cartwheels, flips, and tumbling, to tramp tricks and parkour — Bigair Gyms classes are all about fun, strength & fitness, and learning & achievement. At Bigair Gym, kids gain more than just gym skills, they build resilience & determination, confidence & assertiveness, and pride & achievement.

Classes to Help Your Child Shine:

Crashmat Kids Sessions (walking-4 years) – Great for little ones to become familiar with the gym.

Pocket Rockets Gym Classes (3-4 years) – Start building coordination and confidence early!

Gravity Busters Gym Classes (5+ years) – Learn the fundamentals of gymnastics and tumbling.

Team Extreme Gym Classes (Advanced) – Take your skills to the next level!

Free Running (5+ years) – Parkour + flips = epic agility and body control.

Trampoline (5+ years) – Boost spatial awareness and acrobatic abilities.

Recreational Cheerleading (5+ years) – Strength, flexibility, performance - Cheer style!

Tumbling (5+ years) – Learn walkovers, handsprings & aerials - perfect for Cheerleaders and Dancers.

Don't miss your chance to help your child grow, achieve, learn, and have fun at Bigair Gym!

Booking online for Term 3 is quick and easy at www.bigairgym.co.nz


Bigair Gym Tawa: ph. 232 3508, e. office@bigairgym.co.nz at 10b Surrey Street, Tawa.

Step into a winter wonderland of creativity at the old station.
Join us for Arts on Track: Winter at the Station
A weekend celebration of local art, creativity, and community connection,
set in the heart of our historic railway station. From open studios and gallery
exhibitions to hands-on workshops and demos,
there's something to warm every heart.
Whether you're a seasoned art lover or simply curious,
come and meet the makers, hear their stories, and create your own.

Arts on Track

OPEN STUDIOS AND GALLERY

Winter at the Station



Friday 25 – Sunday 27 July 2025 10am-2:30pm

Friday Opening Night: Artist talk by Kate Jacob 4:30–6:30pm
Saturday: Weaving workshops by Clare Smith
Sunday: Sauerkraut-making demonstrations
with Rosemary O'Hara, 11am and 12:30pm