PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER WEDNESDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2016 WEEK 1 – TERM 4



IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday 15th October

Wednesday 2nd November Friday 18th November Friday 16th December Thursday 2nd February

Paremata School Spring Gala 11.00AM - 3.00PM

Junior Photos – Rooms 1A/1B/2

Teacher Only Day – School will be closed
End of Term 4 @ 12.30pm

Term 1 2017 commences

Kia ora tatou

School Gala this Saturday!

The 2016 Spring Gala is on this Saturday. A big round of applause to the incredible gala committee and all the behind the scene helpers. It takes many hours to organise an event such as this and on behalf of the BOT and the school community thank you for your hard work so far. See you all there - it's going to be a great day!

Gala Set Up

On Friday classes will be getting organised for our gala. We will therefore not be running our normal afternoon classroom programmes.

Sad news

We are very sad to report that one of our lovely parents Nigel Ammunsden passed away after a long battle with cancer in the last week of term 2. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Liam, Eva and Julia. We are all thinking of you at this time and are here to support you all.

Measles and Flu

Lily in Room Kokako (12) is making great progress with her ongoing immunity but we still need parents to be very vigilant with reporting to us any family cases of measles and influenza. We appreciate your support with this and thank you for your cooperation throughout this year.

Teacher Only Day in November

We are holding a Teacher Only Day in Term 4 on Friday November 18th for National Standards Overall Teacher Judgement moderation and report writing. School will be closed for instruction.

Sunhats

Just a friendly reminder that sun hats are compulsory for all children in term 1 and term 4. Please can make sure your child has a named sun hat for school this term.

School Fees Now Due

Term 4 fees are now due – invoices will be sent out soon. Fees can be paid by eftpos, cheque/cash or online into our bank account ASB 12-3254-0048796-00.

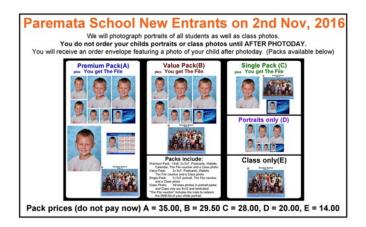
Just a reminder that the <u>Activity Fee is a compulsory fee</u> which covers the cost of the aquatic programme, shows and trips that students attend during the 2015 year. As there are a number of trips plus the <u>aquatic programmes</u> this term, this fee will need to be paid in full before your child can participate. Please contact Michelle or Marie in the office if you have any queries.

Enrolments for 2017 (next year)

Is your child 5 in 2017? Please check that an enrolment form has been filled out. If you are unsure please contact Marie in the office. Thanks.

JUNIOR PHOTOS (RM1A/1B/2)

All children will the photographed on Wednesday 2nd of November and you will then receive an order envelope featuring a photo of your child **AFTER PHOTO DAY**. If your child was away for the photos earlier in the year and would like a portrait photo done, please just let Marie or Michelle in the office know.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB - ISSUE NO.6 - ORDER ONLINE mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

If you wish to purchase from the current book club selection, please send your order and money to the office no later than **Wednesday 26th October.** If paying by cheque, please write them out to Scholastic NZ Ltd and remember to include your name and room number and order number on the form.



CULTURAL PARADE

A huge thank-you for the wonderful effort that was put into the costumes at the Cultural parade.

The students looked amazing, truly reflecting and strengthening our school values of Identity and Global Awareness. We also raised \$251.00 for the children at Kitoola School in Uganda. Here is a picture of the three classrooms we have built so far. Keep an eye out for our stand at the Gala.

ENVIRONEWS – WHY WE NEED TO STOP USING PLASTIC BAGS?

- Over 40,000 plastic check-out bags are dumped in landfills every hour in New Zealand
- Every year 4 million New Zealanders use 1 billion plastic shopping bags.
- A person's use of a plastic check-out bag can be counted in minutes however long it takes them to get from the shops to their homes.
- Because plastic bags don't go away, they just break up into smaller and smaller pieces of plastic, the number of plastic bags in the environment continues to accumulate, with 80 million littered per year
- Plastic bags are lightweight and moisture resistant, which means that they float easily in air and water, often travelling long distances.
- Turtles, whales and sea birds mistake rubbish for food or get entangled in it, resulting in painful injuries, or even death.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO STOP THIS HAPPENING?







PAREMATA SCHOOL SPRING GALA THIS SATURDAY 15TH OCTOBER, 11.00AM – 3.00PM

CAKES – bring in your nut free cake in the decorated cake box on Friday morning – please take straight to Library

There is free sugar available for you to use for your baking / sweets / desserts - at the office.



SWEETS – bring in hokey pokey, choc fudge, coconut ice, Russian fudge, or lolly kebabs on Friday – please take straight to office (pre bagged).



If you are making sweets please drop off to the office from tomorrow until Friday. We will pick these up after school. If your sweets need refrigerating, then dropping after school will be better, as they won't be able to be refrigerated during the day. If you don't get time to package the sweets can you let me know and I'll arrange for them to be packaged. If you can't make drop offs during the week, then please take them to Room 10 on Saturday morning. Thanks Tanya 021 52 47474.

DESSERTS – bring in apple & ginger slice, brownie, date loaf, apple crumble, banoffee pie, meringues, tarts, cheesecake, carrot cake, chocolate pudding, truffles, macaroons, rocky road or fruit pie. (refrigeration available) into staffroom on Friday or straight to the hall on Saturday morning.





PLANTS – seedlings, plants and seed packets can be donated this week too – straight to the *office by Friday* or to the *Plant section on Saturday* morning.



PRE-LOVED - Toys, Games, Jigsaws, **Books,** Magazines, Mens, Womens and Kids **Clothes** – into the office by Friday morning.



PAREMATA SCHOOL SPRING GALA RAFFLE - Thank you to all the families who have been selling the raffle tickets. Can we please have all the remaining sold and unsold tickets and money to the office by tomorrow **THURSDAY 13**TH **OCTOBER**.





TWO BBQS REQUIRED FOR GALA OUTDOOR FOOD AREA

Urgent shout out to all parents, we require two more BBQs in the outdoor food area for Gala day. We could arrange collection and drop off if necessary. If you're able to help, please email: annafolster@gmail.com or contact Anna on 0274574165



Thank you for your help towards our biggest fundraiser of the year! The Gala committee

COMMUNITY NEWS/NOTICES

<u>GET THE SUPPORT YOUR CHILD NEEDS – TUTOR IN MATHS, READING AND WRITING</u> - Small groups or one on one targeted teaching and learning in conjunction with the NZ curriculum, National Standards and most importantly - specific learning needs of individuals. Passionate and qualified teacher with 20+ years' experience. Taught in all areas of the primary sector from new entrance to Y9. Highest qualification - Bachelor of Teaching. Available during the school holidays and during the school term on Wednesday - Friday afternoons/early evenings. Contact Emma on 027 450 3798.

<u>WELLINGTON WATERFRONT FUN RUNS FOR KIDS AND ADULTS</u> - Athletics Wellington is partnering with Cigna and Sport Wellington to bring you the Cigna Kids Waterfront Fun Run on the afternoon of Thursday 20 October. Starting and finishing at Waitangi Park there are different distances for all age groups from pre schoolers through to year 8s. The Cigna team will be there running the Cigna Carnival with face painting a sausage sizzle and popcorn to support Achilles International NZ. Immediately following the kids fun run Athletics Wellington and TempoFit are introducing a new event also on the waterfront - The Wellington Open 5km Fun Run. Only \$10 to enter either event. For details go to www.athleticshub.co.nz/kids-fun-run

<u>THE DISCOVERY X-GAMES IS BEING HELD ON SUNDAY THE 13TH OF NOVEMBER</u> this year at Discovery School in Whitby. Teams will complete a variety of mental and physical activities around the school grounds, from minute-to-win-it challenges to car-e-oke singalongs and even a few events where competitors can expect to get a little wet! The day is all about family fun, food and prizes.

This year's event promises to be bigger and better than the last, with the wider community being invited to join in. Teams are made up of 2-6 people with an entry fee of \$10 per person. Registration earns everyone a token to enter the prize draw of their choice, to be drawn at the end of the event. Register your team online now at www.discoveryxgames.co.nz. – Flyer coming home next week.

YEAR 7 & 8 INTER-SCHOOL DISCO AT ADVENTURE SCHOOL

The disco is open to current Year 7 & 8 Students from Adventure, Discovery, Pauatahanui, Postgate, Samuel Marsden & Paremata Schools and ex-Adventure Students who would be in year 7 and 8 this year. To be held at Adventure School Hall on Friday 28th October from 7pm to 9pm. \$2 Entry – Hot food, drinks and sweets available for purchase and photo booth. Students will need to be signed in and out by parent/caregiver. All proceeds will go towards the Adventure School Senior Camp.



Paddock Person

Like horses? Enjoy working outdoors? Want to be part of a friendly and fun environment? The Wellington Group of New Zealand Riding for the Disabled Association seeks an enthusiastic, responsible paddock person for a part-time position at its Battle Hill Farm Forest Park location in Porirua. The paddock person is responsible for the removal and appropriate disposal of all manure and rubbish from all paddocks, reports any issues with fencing and growth of weeds and grass in paddocks to the Duty Coach. The starting date for this position is as soon as possible. For more information and how to apply for the position, please contact Jill Reti Wellington RDA on 237 5550 or email wellingtonrda@xtra.co.nz