
PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2016

WEEK 7 – TERM 4



IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 25th November @ 2.15pm
Friday 25th November
Tuesday 29th November
Wednesday 30th November
Tuesday 6th December
Thursday 8th December
Friday 16th December

School Assembly hosted by Ruma Ruru and Takahe
New Families Afternoon Tea 2-3pm in staffroom
Wellington Regional Athletics
Jump Jam 4 Star Jam
Multi-Challenge Day 9.00am – 10.30am pp (7th Dec)
Christmas Carols evening – see below for more information
End of Term 4 @ 12.30pm

Kia ora tatou

Year 5-8 Speech Competitions

Well done to all the year 5-8 children for their hard work putting together their speeches for the school competition. After the judging was done last week a big congratulations goes to Kiana Clark Year 7/8 and Cameron Delaney Year 5/6 who have been selected to represent Paremata at the Parumoana Speech Competitions on Friday. Good luck to you both - we will be thinking of you!

Christmas Carols Fundraiser Thursday 8 December

Our annual Christmas Carol Concert is on Thursday 8 December. This year we are also fundraising for Ronald McDonald House who have supported our lovely pupil Lily Cooke and her family while she has been in and out of hospital. There is information below from the PTA, many thanks to Sara Norling and the committee who have put together a great programme for the evening.

Porirua North Zoning Review

The MOE are carrying out a zoning review of all of Northern Porirua due to the Aotea Block subdivisions, overcrowding at Papakowhai and Rangikura Schools and the growing Grays Road subdivision. They are asking for community feedback and the BOT are discussing the review at our next two meetings. Information about this can review be found at this link

<http://www.education.govt.nz/ministry-of-education/consultations-and-reviews/aotea-north-porirua-future-schooling-provision/> We value your feedback about this review so please e-mail your views to me brycec@paremata.school.nz and we will submit a community summary to the MOE in early 2017.

New School Report format

This year we have redesigned our end of year school report so that it can be formulated electronically on our student management system. Along with the usual teacher feedback and pupil self-reflection there are new enhancements including attendance percentages, a pupil portrait, a new Reading, Writing and Maths National Standards expected level table and school participation table. This has allowed us to give you a very holistic summary on your children and we hope you find the extra information useful. Reports come home on Monday 12 December.

Nga mihi nui - Bryce

CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER FROM 6PM –7.30PM



Come and join us at Paremata School. It will be outside by the big fort if it's fine, inside the hall if it's wet. Every year the children and teachers put a lot of effort into learning their carols and it's a great opportunity for families to support them by attending and singing along too. Other performances will include the school kapa haka group, the Ukulele Institute and new this year are the Hollywoods to finish the night.

NEW CHARITY THIS YEAR...Bring a gold coin in exchange for yummy Christmas desserts. All money raised will go to Ronald McDonald House to raise awareness about the amazing work they do in the community. Last year, Lily Cooke in Ruma Kea was diagnosed with a life threatening illness that required two months treatment at Christchurch Hospital and three months at Starship Hospital in Auckland. Both times Lily's family was able to stay at Ronald McDonald House and be nearby to support her. Lily's family is very thankful for all the care and support shown by the Charity.



GALA GOLD SPONSORS - ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Little India and Palmers Garden Centre, Plimmerton are two more of our generous **Spring Gala Gold sponsors** – we really appreciate your terrific support.

Little India: delicious authentic curries, dine-in or take-out, located at the Mungavin Homestead, 1D Mungavin Ave, Porirua www.littleindia.co.nz/wellington-porirua

Palmers Garden Centre, Plimmerton: summer's nearly here! Talk to the local experts, who are passionate about gardening. www.palmers.co.nz/palmers-plimmerton/ .

LIBRARY NEWS

Just a note to let you know that all library books are due back to the library by the end of the week as I will be preparing for the annual stocktake.

So search out those overdue books and return them as soon as possible please.

There will be no more issues until the Summer Reading Programme on the 13th and 14th December. More information on this will be in the next newsletter,

Many thanks Emma - School Librarian

PAREMATA SCHOOL TEA TOWELS

These wonderful Tea Towels are still for available for purchase at only \$10.00 each. Four colours to choose from – these are on display in the office foyer along with order forms.

They will make a great Christmas Present for family and friends overseas as they are easy to post.

SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW DUE

Just a reminder that the **Activity Fee is a compulsory fee** which covers the cost of the aquatic programme, shows and trips that students attend during the 2016 year. **As there are a number of trips happening before the end of term 4, 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.



COMMUNITY NEWS/NOTICES

FOOD FOR A HEALTHY HEART

Wednesday 30th November, 5.15-7.00pm, Johnsonville Community Centre. The Heart Foundation is running a friendly and informal FREE session to about nutrition and healthy food choices, for people living with heart disease and their whanau. To register call 04 472 2780 or cathl@heartfoundation.org.nz

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME - Tawa Recreation Centre and Scouts Adventure Plus – Tawa. Ph 2322260 or wellington.govt.nz/holidayprogrammes – Info on notice board.

SUMMER CAMPS AT EL RANCHO!

Horse Camp, 8yrs +, 19&20 December.....Beach Party Kids Camp, 8-13 yrs, 9-13 January.....Summer Carnival Kids Camp, 8-13 yrs, 17-21 January. Ph 902 6287 or visit www.elrancho.co.nz.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY COMPUTER CLASSES

For ages 5 – 15 in Minecraft, Learn to Code in Scratch or Python, Create 3D Games, Web Design, Animation, Video Editing or Build a PC and if young the Discovery Computer Class. For further information call 499-2211 or visit www.grandtraining.co.nz.

Pukerua Bay Kindergarten

Craft Fair



Saturday 26 November
10am - 2pm

at Pukerua Bay Kindergarten
Wairaka Road, Pukerua Bay

Fine Crafts • Xmas Gifts • Cakes • Raffles
Silent Auctions • Café • BBQ

A+ Craft Classes for the Holidays

Brought to you by Pippi and Fox

We offer you quality craft classes by primary school registered teachers, teaching the things they enjoy themselves. For children aged 6 – 11 years. (exceptions considered)

Please contact Pippa Barrett on pippiandfox@gmail.com

Running Monday 19th December – through to Friday 23rd December



8am – 1pm morning class session \$30 (Equipment included) 12noon – 5pm afternoon class session \$30
or a full day 8am – 5pm for both sessions \$50

Venue – TBC Whitby area.

Limited spaces – get in quick!