# PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2018 WEEK 6



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April – 13<sup>th</sup> April Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April School Assembly hosted by Ruma Kotare and Kokako @ 11.45am NZEI Teacher Meeting – School closed from 12.30pm Paremata School Athletics – Adventure Park – pp 15<sup>th</sup> 9am-3pm Parumoana Athletics – Adventure Park - pp 23<sup>rd</sup> / 26<sup>th</sup> Run Jump Throw 9.00am – 12.30pm (more info to come) Easter – Good Friday – school closed Easter – Monday and Tuesday school closed ParentLink AGM @ 7.30pm in staffroom Book Week – see below for more dates and information Book Parade @ 9.00am Kahikatea Syndicate Camp End of term 1



Kia ora tatou

# Meet the Teacher Goal setting evening

Thank you to all the families who made time to meet with their children's teacher over the past two weeks. We've had a couple of postponements due to staff or their whanau being very unwell and I am really grateful to those families affected for your cooperation with these change of dates.

# Year 6 Sleepover

The Kauri Team Year 6 sleepover at school last Friday went very well and everybody had a great time. Thankfully the weather was fine too. Many thanks to Ursula Leggett, Sautia Lemana and Naomi Fairley for organising this for the children and to all the parents who helped out.

# **Playground Upgrade News**

The new cargo net is on the Senior playground and new sandpit toys for the junior sandpit have arrived. The painting of the senior fort will continue shortly and the drainage plan is underway and will be worked on in the April holidays. The slides for the field will be installed in May by the Playground Company. The children have also selected a range of outdoor furniture including octagonal tables, picnic tables, planters and new benches. These will be installed near the end of the term. Many thanks to Ian our amazing caretaker for all his hard work with these projects.

# **School Athletics Team Trials**

The trials day at Adventure Park is next week Wednesday 14 March at Adventure Park. If you have already entered and your parents are available to help run events can they please contact Vanessa Burn <u>vanessab@paremata.school.nz</u>. The team will meet Tuesday 13 March at 10.30am in the hall to run through the order of the day.

# NZEI Union Meeting – School Closed for Afternoon

Paremata teachers who are NZEI members will be attending the NZEI meeting on Monday March 12<sup>th</sup> at 2pm at Te Rauparaha Arena in Porirua. School will close for instruction at 12.30pm and After School Care will operate from 12.40pm for children who are usually enrolled on a Monday. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

# <u> Book Week 6<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> April</u>

**Howdy all**, our Book week is fast approaching. It is the time when we celebrate books and the love of reading. The usual competitions and daily guiz will be held as well as an author visit by Paul Beavis. He is a children's book

writer and illustrator. Originally from London, Paul has lived in New Zealand since 2012. His first picture book published in 2014, was *Mrs. Mo's Monster*, a quirky tale that went on to win the 2015 LIANZA Russell Clark Illustration Award. He has since published *Hello World*! Paul has also illustrated four children's books, including *Jingle Bells, Rudolph Smells* and *Nee Naw The Little Fire Engine*. The



visit is provided by the New Zealand Book Council with the support of Creative New Zealand. Our celebrations will end with our awesome book character parade.

Again this year we are also having a Scholastic Book Fair, a reading event that provides the books kids want to read. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Hang on to your hat and wrangle a book with stomping good new titles from Scholastic.

Reading for pleasure, inside and outside of school, has real and long-lasting benefits. It unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Family motivation in reading activities can have a strong, positive impact on a child's educational achievement.

Make plans to go come to our **WILD WEST Book Fair:** Saddle up and Read and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits. In addition to school hours, we will be open before and after school. Students will visit the fair as a class on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April, but all are welcome to visit any day.

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2:30 – 4:30pm Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April, 8:30 – 9:00am & 2:30 – 4:30pm Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 8:30 – 9:00am & 2:30 – 5:30pm Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April, 8:30 – 9:00am & 2:30 – 4:30pm Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April, 8:30 – 9:00am & 2:30 – 5:30pm Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 8:30 – 9:00am & 2:30 – 4:30pm

Remember, all purchases benefit our school. I look forward to seeing you and your family at the Reading Ranch roundingup a good book, Emma - School Librarian

### **IMPORTANT BOOK WEEK DATES**

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Book Week – competitions & quizzes Book character parade WILD WEST Book Fair opens in the Reading Ranch WILD WEST Book Fair WILD WEST Book Fair Author visit – Paul Beavis WILD WEST Book Fair WILD WEST Book Fair WILD WEST Book Fair



**<u>ONLINE ORDERING NOW AVAILABLE</u>** – please see the attached information sheet coming home with this week's newsletter.

<u>WEETBIX TRYATHLON</u> Good luck to all our students who are competing in the Weetbix Tryathlon this Thursday or on the weekend. Have a great day and remember to swim, bike, run and have fun. Check the Weetbix Tryathlon website for any last minute instruction from the event organisers. <u>https://tryathlon.co.nz/</u>



### ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS – ADVANCE ORDERING FOR THE 2018/19 BOOK/DIGITAL!!



PRE-ORDER NOW TO RECEIVE 6 PRINTED EARLY BIRD OFFERS. Choose between the Book or the Digital membership and securely purchase online with a just a few clicks. Our payment address is <a href="http://www.entbook.co.nz/104U135">http://www.entbook.co.nz/104U135</a>. Or you can order through the school office. Flyers with more information were sent home yesterday. Emails will also be sent out during this fundraiser. Remember to email Marie on mariea@paremata.school.nz if you do not wish to have a book sent home with your child next term.

### HUNG OUT TO DRY - TEA TOWELS FOR SALE - \$10.00

Celebrate our fabulous community with Paremata School, and get yourselves a Porirua tea towel or two. They're good enough to frame and hang on your wall! Four different colours - tea towels are \$10 each, with all profits being returned to the school. Available from school office.

### AS LAST YEAR'S SUPPLIES HAVE GONE TO A LOCAL CHARITY CAN YOU PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE BOUGHT IN YOUR CHILD/REN CLASSROOM EMERGENCY SUPPLIES FOR THIS YEAR

At the beginning of each year we replenish our classroom emergency supplies so now is the time to send in emergency food supplies for each of your children. We suggest

\*\*\* 2 tins and a box of muesli/energy bars each (remember we are a nut free school) \*\*\* These will be marked off with your child's teacher. Thank you.

> PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CONTACT DETAILS – BOTH E-MAIL AND CELLPHONE NUMBERS **ARE UP-TO-DATE WITH THE OFFICE**

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### FREE CURTAINS FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES CARD HOLDERS

What does Wellington Curtain Bank offer? - We give FREE, lined curtains to people on low incomes. We make living room curtains for all, and if there are children and elderly living in the home we can also provide curtains for bedrooms. The curtains are upcycled from good quality donations and lined to increase effectiveness.

How to order curtains? - All they need to do is measure their windows, fill out an order form and get it to us. We prefer they make an appointment to drop in the form so we can discuss their needs and check measurements.

Freephone 0508 78 78 24 x 705 to make an appointment. Order forms and instruction videos on measuring windows are at www.sustaintrust.org.nz/free-curtains

### FREE FOOTBALL PROGRAM

- What: Porirua Afterschool Fun Football Centre
- Where: Bernie Wood Turf, Ascot Park
- When: Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm (22<sup>nd</sup> February 5<sup>th</sup> April)
- Who: Everyone and anyone is welcome to join - FREE

# **ON OUR NOTICE BOARD**

### **DISCOVERY SCHOOL X GAMES IS BACK!**

Please put Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup> in your diary for a family fun day with 25 event stations ready to challenge your mind, senses, humour, singing, physical and mental abilities. Registrations are now open for the 2018 Discovery X-Games! Get your crew together, sign up online and start planning your costumes. It's going to be SO MUCH FUN! www.discoveryxgames.co.nz/online-registration



### PATAKA FRIENDS ARTS PATAKA – 10<sup>TH</sup> AND 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

Make the most of an exciting opportunity to see artists in action from 10am to 4pm all weekend

# HONGOEKA MARAE SUMMER FESTIVAL – SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

10am – 4pm Hongoeka Bay Road, Plimmerton – hongoekasummerfestival@gmail.com 11.00am Writers Read. Featuring Patricia Grace and local writers. Pre-registration required. Ticket price \$12.00.



