



PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
TUESDAY 30TH MAY 2023
WEEK 6 – TERM 2
SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY

Friday 2nd June

Monday 5th June

Tuesday 6th June

Friday 9th June

Saturday 17th June

TOMORROW - SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 12:30PM

Teacher Only Day – **School Closed**

King's Birthday – **Public Holiday**

Parumoana Interschool Cross Country – Yr 4-8 - pp 8th & 13th

New Families Powhiri @ 10.15am

Quiz Night @ 7:00pm – Paremata School Hall – see flyer below



Talofa lava

NZEI Teachers Union Meeting - tomorrow

EARLY
FINISH

Due to the NZEI calling for an urgent Paid Union Meeting this Wednesday 31 May at 1pm (tomorrow), we will have to unfortunately **close the school for instruction at 12.30pm**. Children who normally attend After School Care on a Wednesday will be supervised from 12.30pm. Please email afterschoolcare@paremata.school.nz. We apologise for the inconvenience this causes families but we are unable to keep the school operating safely with no available teaching staff.

Tough Guy and Gal Challenge

What an awesome outing the children had last week in Wainuiomata. Thanks to all those who helped make this a fantastic day. Well done everyone.



Teacher Only Day - 2 June – School Closed

As part of the current Teachers Collective Agreement, we are having a Teacher Only Day looking at the new curriculum and assessment. School will therefore be closed for instruction on Friday, 2 June leading into the King's Birthday weekend. Thank you for your support with this.

Quiz Night – Saturday 17th June - Donations

To put together some great prizes for the Quiz we need your help with a range of donated goods - All assigned donations can be dropped off into the box in your child's class. Many thanks to Jodie Cayford, Phil Roache and Katie Firth for organising the evening.

Fa'atalofa atu - Matua Bryce



**NO SAUSAGE SIZZLE THIS WEEK DUE TO EARLY FINISH TOMORROW
BUT WE WILL HAVE FRANKFURTERS ON THURSDAY**



FRANKFURTERS – THURSDAY THIS WEEK DUE TO TOD

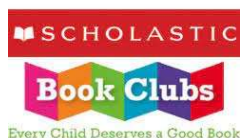
Unfortunately, due to the increase in food prices, frankfurters will now be \$3.50 each. **Frankie's this Thursday 31st May**, so remember to bring your \$3.50 for a yummy lunch.



PAREMATA SCHOOL NETBALL

Due to the long weekend, King's Birthday – there will be no netball this Saturday.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – ISSUE NO. 4 – ORDER ONLINE mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz



If you wish to purchase from the current book club selection, please order online no later than **Friday 9th June**. If you would like any purchases to be held at the office, please order online under OFFICE.



PAREMATA SCHOOL HOODIES – ORDERS CLOSE TOMORROW

This year we are putting through **1 order only** for the school hoodies. Order forms are available from the office or we can email one to you. **Orders need to be in by tomorrow.**

Hoodie – no name on back \$55.00 (size 6-14)

Hoodie – with name on back \$65.00

ROTI FUNDRAISER FOR YEAR 7 AND 8

Please remember to have the orders and money this week as Wednesday 31st May is the last day to order.

If any of the community would like to order from our Jessie's Roti Fundraiser, please contact the office.

Option 1 – Roti 10x pack \$19

Option 2 – Sauce \$6.50 (Butter Chicken Sauce)

Option 3 – Roti and Sauce \$25

Delivery will be end of June.



CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

Next week we are starting a Chocolate Fundraiser - ***The Ultimate Supreme Slabs***

Each Family will be given a box of 36 bars to sell.

Flavours - 12 x Creamy Milk | 6 x Peanut | 6 x Almond | 6 x Coconut | 6 x Hokey Pokey Crunch



New Zealand-Made - Every Step of the Way

- Note** - Please contact the office if you do not wish to receive a box to sell – (04) 233 1339 mariea@paremata.school.nz

Celebrate Samoa Language Week: Sunday 28 May - Saturday 3 June



The theme for **Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa - Samoa Language Week 2023** is '**Mitamita i lau gagana, maua'a lou fa'asinomaga**' which means '**Be proud of your language and grounded in your identity**'.

This year's theme focuses on the importance of the Samoan language and identity. It impresses on us the need not only to understand the Samoan language, but to also use it as much as possible. When you are proud of your language and can speak it, you will also be more grounded in your identity as a Samoan.

Mitamita i lau gagana, maua'a lou fa'asinomaga encourages Samoan language pride in four key areas:

Be proud of your ancestral language

Our ancestral language included symbols, signs, environmental landmarks, events, gestures and other intangible language, serving as a reminder of life from past generations and carrying with it our histories and creation from the minds and mouths of Samoans. Be proud of your language that was created and grown by our ancestors.

Be proud of your spiritual language

The Samoan language is a pillar in our churches and is nurtured in church programmes and activities such as Sunday School, Youth groups, choirs and church services. The church plays an important role in ensuring the Samoan language thrives, and that Samoan people are proud of their language.

Be proud of your language in your families

Pride in the Samoan language begins in the home. The family is the first classroom for Samoans. We are first taught in our homes how to speak and show respect to elders and others. You learn how to invite people to eat, as well as know how to acknowledge gifts of food that people bring with them.

When someone is grounded in their languages, it becomes easier to learn other languages, and it contributes positively to wellbeing. If you are strong in your Samoan language, you never have to question who you are as a Samoan, because you understand what it means to be Samoan.

Be proud of your written language

We are now seeing that our Samoan language is needing to adapt and change. Our written language is now becoming more valued in schools, workplaces, places of worship, and many other areas of our lives. Therefore, we must be able to read, understand, speak and write Samoan. Be proud of your written language especially with the positive changes we are seeing with the Samoan language.

Mitamita i lau gagana, maua'a lou fa'asinomaga - Be proud of your language and grounded in your identity

The Samoan language has many components. There is simple Samoan, and there is more complex Samoan. There is everyday language and then there is respectful language. There is language specific to young people, and then language that pertains to chiefs and orators. The Samoan language has depth.

This year's theme for Samoa Language Week is encouraging all use of the Samoan language, from the language most fitting for young people, to the Samoan language used with adults and older Samoans. Whatever stage you are at on your language journey, and how well you can speak and understand Samoan, it is important to continue to use it daily so that the Samoan language thrives. Only then will you be proud of your language, and only then will your identity as a Samoan be grounded in your mind, body and soul.

Stay connected online by visiting the official [**Gagana Samoa i Aotearoa Facebook page**](#).

More information on our school **Language** notice board in the foyer.

PARUMOANA CROSS COUNTRY ORGANISATION – TUESDAY 6TH JUNE QE2 PARK – MACKAYS CROSSING

Approximate Timetable (please do not arrive before 9.00am)

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| 8.30am | Training students who are leading the walk through |
| 9:30am | Walk through |
| 10.00am | Assemble |
| 10.05am | Meet with parent marshals, organisation discussed with runners |
| 10.20am | Year 4 Girls |
| 10.30am | Year 4 Boys |
| 10.40am | Year 5 girls, then boys (3 - 4 min gap in start times) |
| 10.55am | Year 6 girls, then boys (3 - 4 gap in start times) |
| 11.10am | Year 7 girls, then boys (3 - 4 gap in start times) |
| 11.25am | Year 8 girls, then boys (3 - 4 gap in start times) |
| 11.45am | Prize Giving |
| 12.20pm | Return to school |



Upcoming
**COMMUNITY
EVENTS**

**SCHOOL
HOLIDAY
PROGRAMS**



• PAREMATA SCHOOL PARENTLINK PRESENT •

QUIZ NIGHT

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| Saturday June 17th at 7:00 PM | PAREMATA SCHOOL HALL PAREMATA CRES |
| | Tickets \$25 each \$200 per table of 8 |

BAR! PRIZES! RAFFLE!
Tickets available at the office or
paremataschoolpta@gmail.com