
PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2023

WEEK 9 – TERM 4



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Today	Pohutukawa Team – Big Day Out at Aotea Lagoon
Monday 11 th December	Kauri Team Fun Day at Aotea Lagoon
Tuesday 12 th December	School Multi Challenge Event 9:00 – 10:30am
Wednesday 13 th December	Year 8 Leavers Dinner and Awards Evening
Thursday 14 th December	Kauri Team Trip to Porirua Aquatic Centre
Friday 15 th December	Final Full School Assembly @ 11.45am
Friday 15 th December	School finishes for 2023 @ 12:30pm



Tuesday 30th January 2024 - School commences at 8:50am



Friday 1st – Friday 8th December

Monday 11th – Thursday 14th December

Library CLOSED, including lunchtimes, for stocktake

Library open for Summer Reading Programme issues only

(See times below)

Kia ora tatou

Year 7/8 Camp/ EOTC week

What a great time our year 7/8's had both at camp and on the EOTC week. There were lots of character building activities and despite some children being unwell on camp, everyone enjoyed their time to Mistletoe Bay. A huge thanks to Becky Spencer and the Kahikatea team and to all the parents who went along to support our tamariki.

Summerfest

Well done to our Cultural Group for their wonderful performance at Summerfest at Rangikura School last Thursday. You did us all proud.

Year 7/8 teacher 2024

As we are having four Year 7/8 classes in 2024, we welcome Lisa Cuttance who will be joining us next year in the Year 7/8 team. Lisa is a very experienced teacher and she is looking forward to being part of our staff.

Speech Competition

Congratulations to Ysabella Stokes who won the Year 5/6 Speech Competition at Discovery School last Friday. It's always tough to get placed in this competition and Ysabella did brilliantly. Well done also to Imran Quazi who took part in the Year 7/8 speech finals.

Reports

School reports will be e-mailed out to families on Wednesday 13 December.

Please can you ensure we have your current e-mail address so you receive the report.



Regional Athletics

Well done to our students who attended the Regional Athletics yesterday at Newtown Park.

Year 5 girls - Marley S – 3rd in 150m and 80m

Year 5 boys - Syon S – 5th in quoits

Year 6 boys - Luka H – 2nd in vortex and 2nd high jump; top 5 for long jump

Year 7 girls - Riley P – 4th in shotput and competing in vortex and disc

Year 8 boys - Rawiri T – competing in long jump

Many thanks to our parents Tami and Arlo for supporting our students on the day.



Helpers Morning Tea – Friday

We will be holding a thank you morning tea for all the parents/caregivers who have helped in some way in our school in 2023. This will be held in the library on Friday 8 December @10:30am. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Leavers' Dinner for Year 8 Students

This year the dinner for the year 8 students is being held at the Supply Room on Wednesday, 13th December. Please make sure you have sent an RSVP and paid at the office.

End of Year Assembly

We are aiming to hold an assembly (outside on the court) on the last day of school Friday, 15 December at 11:45am to farewell our Year 8 leavers and any other children leaving our school.

Ngā mihi – Matua Bryce



Sausage Sizzle last day today.

NO Sausage Sizzle on Wednesday 13th December

Term Dates

End of term 4 2023

Friday 15th December @ 12:30pm

2024 -Term 1

Tuesday 30th January @ 8:50am

Friday 12th April @ 3:00pm

Easter

Friday 29th March

Tuesday 2nd April - Schools closed

2024 -Term 2

Monday 29th April @ 8:50am

Friday 5th July @ 3:00pm



GUMBOOT FRIDAY – THANK YOU

Last Friday was Gumboot Friday and it was a huge success! The cookie sale was impressive with lots of helpful students from Rm 14 selling cookies, and there has been an estimation of an impressive 500 cookies sold. I enjoyed the lunch time catwalk. It was fantastic and I was so happy to see lots of people involved giving it their best. Sadly, I was at Parumoana inter school competition in the morning but heard so much good feedback from everyone about the cookies it was definitely a big hit. Now the big question is how much have we raised? Well, we have raised a total of \$730 all towards free counselling services

helping rangitahi/young people dealing with mental health problems. It is such an important cause to support and I'm more than happy to see everyone get behind it. Nga mihi nui koutou - Ysabella



I loved the catwalk on Gumboot Friday because I had heaps of fun pretending to ride my motorbike with Khayde on the red carpet! I also helped to sell the cookies.
Reo McLatchie



CAMP THANK YOU



We have just been lucky enough to have gone on camp down to Mistletoe Bay in the South Island for three nights. A BIG thank you to Tim & Maraea (Oranganui Flooring), Claire & Mike Irvine (CBS- Controlled building services) and Phil for donating the Warriors tshirt for us to



raffle off to pay for our t-shirts. They looked AMAZING! When we were on the Ferry a man came and asked to take a picture of them as his kids were at Paremata School in 1980! How awesome!

WHITTAKER'S CHOCOLATE

Need something as a stocking filler, or an extra thank you for someone?

We still have some yummy chocolates for sale in the office

You can buy them separately for \$2.00 each so you can buy the type you want.

Or buy a whole box of 36 slabs for \$72.00.



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STATIONERY – ONLINE STATIONERY PACKS – QIZZLE

Great news for parents! We have partnered with Schoolpacks by Qizzle again to simplify your back-to-school preparations. Order your child's 2024 stationery from **schoolpacks.co.nz** and have it delivered straight to your doorstep on a date that suits you – perfect for when you're back from the bach or beach! Not only does every order come with a FREE pack of waterproof name labels, but your purchases also earn rewards for our school. Plus, with the Lay-Buy option, you can buy now and pay later, making the process even easier. Get started next week and be back to school ready!

<https://schoolpacks.co.nz/paremata-school/>

Please ensure that your child has all of their stationery items at the beginning of the year. You may already have some of the books, pens, pencils on the list; **you only need to order what you don't have.**





Hopefully all library books have now been returned. The returns bin will be outside the library for any late returns and a couple of students will be going to classrooms to collect as well.

From Friday 1st to Friday 8th December the library will be **CLOSED**

I will be doing a stocktake of all the library books. This means that I scan all the books that the library has in it. This helps to keep the catalogue information up to date, as well keeping an accurate number of books (stock) in the library. I also find out books that are missing and what needs to be reordered.

The library will be open again, for extended hours, from Monday 11th - Thursday 14th December for Summer Reading Programme issues ONLY. Thanks Emma



To help stop 'the summer reading slide' and continue to utilise the library books while the school is closed, we are running a Summer Reading Programme.

Details:

- Your child/children must not have any outstanding books.
- You may borrow up to **eight** books.
- You need to find a safe place in your house to keep them.
- You (child and parent/caregiver) sign a contract to promise to look after the books and return by the end of the **first week of Term One, 2024**.
- The library will be open extended hours before and after school so you can accompany your child/ren to share in book selection.

Monday 11th December 8:30am – 4:30pm

Tuesday 12th December 8:30am – 5:00pm

Wednesday 13th December 8:30am – 4:30pm

Thursday 14th December 8:30am – 5:00pm

Any queries please contact Emma Crossley on phone 233-1339 or email library@paremata.school.nz



We have a huge amount of lost property that has been sorted and hung up in the office foyer. Please come and have a look to see if you recognise anything that may belong to someone in your family. Named clothing has been handed back to their owner.



TOTS TO TEENS



Summer is upon us, and our latest issue is jam-packed with content to help Kiwi parents <https://issue2312.totstoteens.co.nz/>

What's in this issue for parents?

- » How to slow brain drain over the holidays?
- » Craft: Cutest ever Santa's beard cards and posters
- » What's on these holidays near you
- » Holiday recipes by foodie Michael Van Elzen
- » Why are our literacy levels waning?
- » Use declarative language to build a stronger connection
- » Free printables for families
- » Puzzle fun for kids

+ **EPIC GIVEAWAYS** including a holiday activities package

KELLY SPORTS PRE-CHRISTMAS AND JANUARY 2024 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME!

Come join Connor and the Kelly Sports team for another action-packed programme!! It's going to be the best programme yet!!! We have some fantastic days planned including:

Pre – Christmas Holiday Programme

Super Hero Day, Summer Camp Day, All Out Athletics Day plus a trip day to Avalon Park for a Picnic and Mr Whippy will be there for an ice cream!

January 2024 Holiday Programme

Ball Blast, Ready, Set, Splash!, Kids Choice, Tag Your It!, Sports Mash Up, Basketball Superstars, March To Victory, Kiwiana Summer, H2O Let's Go!

Plus trips to: Wellington Zoo, Laser force, Ice Skating, Movies (Movie to be confirmed), Ten Pin Bowling plus lots more!!



You can enrol for the Pre Christmas & January 2021 Holiday Programme at: www.kellysports.co.nz

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME @ ADVENTURE SCHOOL

Christmas Holiday Programme @ Adventure School, 19 - 21 Dec 2023

BOOKINGS OPEN NOW! Ice cream Science & Ice Skating, a day out at Kapiti

Coast, The Grinch meets Will Wonka and movies at the Lighthouse Cinema. **You can view and book online:**

www.asfc.co.nz

Summer Holiday Programme @ Adventure School, 15 Jan – 31 Jan 2023. Coming soon early December!

For more information e-mail holprog@asfc.co.nz or call 027-454-6975 Our opening times are 7.30am – 5.00 / 5.30pm. Children from all schools are welcome ☺

AFTER SCHOOL
FUN CLUB

WORD- Youth mountain biking Adventures! Term programmes- Holiday Camps- Leadership WORD ([World Off Road Riding Department](http://WorldOffRoadRidingDepartment)). WORD is a youth mountain bike charity founded in 2013 in Wellington and is now working with over 1000 kids a year! We provide after school programmes, holiday camps, youth leadership opportunities and adventure trips for 7-17 year old tamariki and rangatahi across Aotearoa. We are committed and passionate about creating awesome experiences to build youth confidence, develop new friendships, and foster a life-long love of mountain biking. For more info on our life changing programmes, check out www.word.org.nz



Home Based Educator

Wendy Allen

Ascot Park, Porirua



Kia ora!

I am a fully qualified early childhood education teacher with more than 12 years experience working in kindergarten, and more than 10 years working as a home-based educator and care provider under the umbrella of Barnardos. I have been a mum and a nana for many years.

I have recently decided to return to home-based care and I currently have spaces available.

I am passionate about working with young children and their families in a nurturing home away from home environment where children and their whanau feel welcome.

About my home, environment and community

I have a lovely home environment, with my wee dog Genie, my place includes a great outdoors space and plenty of resources for the children. My teaching and learning program is child focused and modified for each child whilst following the New Zealand early childhood education curriculum Te Whariki.

Limited Spaces. Enquire now.

To meet Wendy please call:

Tanya Grant, Community Coordinator
027 253 2798

Tanya.grant@barnardos.org.nz

0800 BARNARDOS (0800 227 627)
bel.org.nz

Care availability

0-5 years old

Monday - Friday

7.30am - 5.30pm

Learning experiences

Books, music, waterplay, playdough, arts and crafts, puzzles and many more learning experiences.

I use Storypark to share your child's learning with you.

Training and Certificates

Diploma of teaching Level 7

First aid

Barnardos Practice certificate

Regular Outings

Local Kindy visits

Parks

Exploring the outdoors

Kia eke ai te hunga taitamariki
ki ngā rangi tūhāhā

DRAMA CLASSES

Taking students for 2024

Taught by Roz Baxter Speech and Drama Teacher.

Voice, Acting skills, Speech making, Confidence and Team Building, Creativity and Fun through Drama....

Classes held in Plimmerton

For beginners to advanced abilities.

Age 5 to teenagers.

Groups and individual classes available

Contact Roz Baxter

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