
PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2024

WEEK 6 – TERM 4



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Friday 22 nd November	School Assembly @ 11:15am hosted by Ruma Takahè /Miromiro
Tuesday 26 th November	Regional Athletics @ Newtown Park
Wednesday 27 th November	Kahikatea Team visit Hongoeka Marae
Thursday 28 th November	Kauri Team (14&15) Waka ama – Onepoto
Friday 29 th November	Kahikatea Team trip to Aotea Lagoon
Friday 29 th November	Inter-School Speech Competitions
Tuesday 3 rd December	Kahikatea Team (Rm 5&7) to Mana Island (Rm 6&8) to Plimmerton
Thursday 5 th December	Kauri Team (13&16) Waka ama – Onepoto
Friday 6 th December	Kahikatea Team (Rm 6&8) to Mana Island (Rm5&7) to Plimmerton
Monday 9 th December	Kauri Team Fun Day at Aotea Lagoon
Wednesday 11 th December	Year 8 Leavers / Awards Evening – more info to come
Tuesday 17 th December	School finishes for 2024 @ 12:30pm
Monday 3 rd February 2025	School commences for 2025



Thursday 28 th – Friday 29 th November	Library open for returning books only. NO Issues
Monday 2 nd December	ALL library books must be returned
Monday 2 nd – Monday 9 th December	Library CLOSED, including lunchtimes, for stocktake
Tuesday 10 th – Monday 16 th December	Library open for Summer Reading Programme issues only

Kia ora tatou

2025 School Organisation



There are quite a few changes for next year with staff choosing to move on to new ventures, take time out for a year or scale things back from full time to part time. With the roll numbers at different levels throughout the school next year, we will have a slightly different structure again; Year 3/4 and Year 7/8 will have 3 classes.

Staff changes

With 2024 drawing to a close we have a number of staff changes coming up. Firstly, Caroline Lockyer, Sautia Lemana and Emma Walters have resigned and are moving onto new adventures. Sally Ratchford and Jannien Kamphuis are taking leave from teaching at Paremata School in 2025 and Jacquie Bassett is retiring from full time teaching to work part time. Rachel Hall is taking a break from school leadership but remains an integral part our school teaching in Year 7/8 next year. I want to thank these teachers for their hard mahi and contribution to our school over the years and wish you all well. New staff members Wendy Barry and Alice Gallagher are returning and we welcome Michelle Thompson into the year 3/4 team next year. Lisa Cuttance and Clare Knighton are both changing levels, moving into the Year 5/6 team.

2025 Staff

Pohutukawa Team

Angie Wall, Cherise Britz, Alice Gallagher, Jacqui Reading

Kōwhiri Year 3/4

Ally Weetch/ Kendra Hersche, Finella Sweeney, Susan Moore/Michelle Thompson

Kauri Year 5/6

Emma Tweedie, Wendy Barry, Clare Knighton, Lisa Cuttance

Kahikatea Year 7/8

Becky Spencer, Juliet Henkes, Sonia Saluni/Rachel Hall

Part time Teaching staff

Fiona Sutton, Jacqui Bassett, Jenny Goodwin

Learning Support

Avalon Smith - SENCO, Ursula Leggett - Accelerated Literacy

Learning Support team

Gaylene Lindsay, Thea Gouws, Jane Vaughan, Liana Findlater, Katherine Bruce, Dierdre Doyle, Dee Kaur

School leadership Team

Y1/2 Angela Wall, Year 3/4 Ally Weetch, Year 5/6 Emma Tweedie, Year 7/8 Becky Spencer, Learning Support Avalon Smith



Summerfest Show

All the best to Alice, Joel-Jakes, Krystal, Juree, Roema and Xanthe who are performing as part of the Paremata School Band at Rangikura School's Summerfest tomorrow Thursday. The band are playing at approximately 12.05pm and we know you'll all be amazing!

Speech Competitions

Congratulations to Lou M who came first in our Year 5/6 school competitions with her speech on "NZ's Greatest Athlete Ever" and Joel-Jakes who came first in our Year 7/8 team with his speech on "NZ vs Samoa". Lou and Joel-Jakes will represent Paremata School next week at the Inter-school Speech Competition.

Also well done to:

Isabel M who came 2nd for her speech on "Space" – Year 5/6

Ysabella S who came 2nd for her speech on "Animal Abuse" - Year 7/8

Brody M who came 3rd with his speech on "The Olympics" – Year 5/6

Imran Q who came 3rd for his speech on "Martial Arts" – Year 7/8

Thank you to our judges: Mrs Leggett, Mayor Baker, Sarah Gulley and Sam Cameron.

Nga mihi nui

Matua Bryce

CALENDAR ART – GET YOUR ORDERS IN NOW AS THEY CLOSE ON MONDAY 25TH NOVEMBER



Your children's art work is ready to order! Forms have been sent home with the children, please email Emma on emmat@paremata.school.nz if you have misplaced your form. You can purchase calendars, gift cards, diaries, mouse pads and sketch pads. These products make excellent

Christmas gifts and will arrive before the end of term 4.

Prices = Calendar (\$15); Cards (\$15); Diaries (\$18); Mouse Mat (\$20); Sketch Pad (\$18).

This is a fundraising event for our school and the funds raised will go towards updating audio sound fields in our classrooms. We are excited for you to get behind this fundraiser and see your children's artwork come to life.





LIBRARY STOCKTAKE AND END OF YEAR DETAILS

Every year, in December, I do 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.

ALL the library books need to be returned **by MONDAY 2nd December**

After this 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 Monday 2nd – Monday 9th December the library will be **CLOSED**

The library will be open again for extended hours on the last week of term, from Tuesday 10th – Monday 16th December for Summer Reading Programme issues **ONLY**.

For more information on the stocktake or SRP visit the [Library Page](#)

Thanks Emma



[Library Page – link](#)

ParentLink Fundraising for Term 4

We are closing in on our last couple of weeks of our **School Auctions**. Please go on and make a bid, these are fabulous items donated by our community businesses!

Currently we have two items from Great Journeys and Light House Cinema on TradeMe;

<https://www.trademe.co.nz/a/marketplace/travel-events-activities/other/listing/5019908713>

<https://www.trademe.co.nz/a/marketplace/travel-events-activities/activities/listing/5027627734?bof=FHf10cdt>

Thanks so much to our generous sponsors!



Congratulations to Jessica M (Room 15) who represented Paremata School, at the Wellington Inter Zone School swimming meet at Kilbirnie pool last Friday. She came 4th in her butterfly heat and 2nd in the freestyle relay with the Parumoana Year 5 girls' team. She did the school proud, going up against the best swimmers across all Wellington schools. Well done Jess!

MANA ATHLETICS

Calling those who are interested in Athletics! Now that your school athletics day is done, both regional athletics champs and Wellington champs are here. Perhaps you might like to join up for the season? We cater for everyone from 5 years and up - whether they're interested in fitness, fun or competition. Just turn up at Adventure Park on Tuesday nights from 5.45-7/7.30 and we'll look after you. Come for a night and try it out! If you want to join, but you're unsure about a whole season, we also offer quarter-season registrations for October to December.





More information here:

[Mana Athletics Facebook Page](#)

[Mana Athletics Registration Link](#)

Arts on Track
OPEN STUDIOS AND GALLERY

 **Anneke Borren** MNZM
Studio Pottery Sale
29th Nov -1st Dec 2024
9am - 5pm
Platform 2, Plimmerton Train Station

Expired car seats
Porirua annual collection
All of November 2024

Please hand in your damaged or expired car seats and booster seats FREE at: **Trash Palace**
20 Broken Hill Road, Kenepuru, Porirua.

Drop off at reception
Monday to Friday 8.30am-5pm
Sunday 9am-5pm

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