



Papakowhai School

Learning Together



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Week 9 ● Term 2 ● 28th June 2017

Dear Parents/Caregivers

MARAE VISIT

Our kapa haka group visited Horouta Marae last Thursday. It was a wonderful learning opportunity and the children represented the school proudly. I was so impressed with what the children took from the day.

MATARIKI

Next Thursday at 12:20pm we are having a Matariki whanau lunch at school. Children will meet in whanau groups and hear about Matariki. Children will eat their own lunch rather than sharing food. Parents and caregivers are welcome to join the children if you would like to. We will put in next week's newsletter which blocks each whanau group is meeting in.



PARENT CONCERNS ABOUT TRAFFIC SAFETY

I received this message from a concerned parent last week who wanted to communicate with other parents at our school...

COME ON PARENTS, PLAY BY THE RULES AND KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE!

It only takes a few minutes out of your day to park your car in a proper space and make sure your kids get to school safely. It is not OK to park behind a parked car at the dairy and encourage your kids to quickly jump out, what would happen if the parked car reversed and your child was hit....Let's keep our kids safe! So what if you have to park up the hill or down the hill and walk a few minutes, it's better to be safe and make sure all our kids are safe. I witnessed an accident last week and another very near miss.....be sensible people and teach our kids what safety looks like.

I also met with our local dairy owner who is very upset that he is losing business when people park in the spaces outside the dairy and leave their vehicles for long periods of time including going to assemblies.

I need your help with this. I can't be at the P2 zone, the school gate, the dairy, meet with parents who want to catch me at 3pm and watch the driveway.

In our annual survey parents and caregivers rate traffic and parking as a significant issue. So are you willing to help change this situation?

Would you be willing to volunteer one morning or afternoon and wear a high visibility vest and stand at the dairy or on Tweed Road?

I need parents who would be willing to join me in speaking to adults about things such as parking for less than 15 minutes at the dairy, not double parking at the dairy, not stopping in the middle of the road and letting their children out of vehicles, not parking in the P2 zone for more than 2 minutes and only using the pedestrian crossing to cross Tweed Road.

If you would be willing to help please give me an email or a call.

Kind regards

Mark Smith

Principal

mark@papakowhai.school.nz

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Home and school committee meeting next Monday, 3rd of July, at 7.30pm in the staffroom. New members always welcome.

The ladies shopping night is coming back again this year Friday Nov 3rd. If you'd like a stall email Bernice at homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz for more details.



UKULELE CONCERT, TOMORROW, THURSDAY 29 JUNE

The Papakowhai School ukulele group are going to do a brief show at 9:10 –9:30 tomorrow morning. All are welcome to come along enjoy the performance.

CEMNZ GREAT KIWI COMPETITIONS

The CEMNZ science paper will be held on Monday, 3 July, at 11.30am in the staffroom; if your child is absent for the paper an alternative time will be arranged before the end of term. This is for those children already entered in the exam.

ASSEMBLY MONDAY 3 JULY – please note update on classes sharing

Our next school assembly will be held on Monday 3 July, at 10am in the school hall. The classes that will be sharing their work with us are **Rata 4, Rata 5, Rata 6, Rimu 3 and Kauri 4.**

STREP THROAT

We have had another confirmed case of strep throat in Rata block. This is a common condition, easily caught, but can have some serious consequences if not diagnosed and treated promptly. Common symptoms include a sore throat, swollen tonsils, sore/swollen glands in the neck, difficulty swallowing, loss of appetite and fever. There may be a red rash on the body with small spots (particularly in skin creases and under arms). If you are concerned about your child please get them checked/swabbed by your doctor.

LOST PROPERTY

Once again we have a large amount of unnamed lost property at the school. Please note that we will be disposing of most of it at the end of term. Items will be displayed at the assembly on Monday morning, 10am, and will be placed out on the deck outside Totara block on fine afternoons next week.

PLASTIC BAGS AND LIDS!

Rata 6 and the Enviro team are still collecting plastic lids (any shape and size) and coloured plastic shopping bags. Please send them to Rata 6 or the school office. Thank you.

CELEBRATE MATARIKI AT AOTEA COLLEGE TONIGHT

All are invited to join the Aotea College Matariki Celebration tonight at Te Manawa, the college auditorium. Doors open at 6pm for a 6.30pm start of a performance of music, dance and drama. Entry is by koha and coffee, tea, baking and pizza will be available for sale. All refreshment sales proceeds will go towards the Barbershop fundraising for Nationals in Auckland.

AOTEA COLLEGE ENROLMENTS FOR 2018

A reminder that all out of zone enrolments for Year 9 in 2018 need to be at the College by Monday 31 July. A ballot, if required, will be held on Friday 11 August 2017 and parents will be notified on Wednesday 16 August 2017. **Please note:** To manage roll growth at Aotea the Board of Trustees has agreed to limit enrolments for 2018 to in zone students and out of zone students who have current siblings at the college.

HELEN O'GRADY DRAMA ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP – Year 3 student

Our school has been offered a Scholarship of free lessons for a term at the Helen O'Grady School of Drama for one student in Year 3. Please contact mark@papakowhai.school.nz if you are interested.

ST MARY'S ENROLMENTS

The close off date for enrolments at St Mary's College for 2018 is Monday 3 July, 2017.

RIDE OF THE LEGENDS, ALL BLACKS AND LIONS, SUNDAY 2 JULY

All Blacks greats (including Buck Shelford, Ian Jones and Frank Bunce) and Lions stars are cycling from Wellington to Auckland to raise money for Conductive Education NZ. Please head along on Sunday, from 7.30am, to the Northern United RFC Clubhouse on Mungavin Ave. There will be a sausage sizzle and the opportunity to meet with the cyclists and get autographs before the riders leave at 8.30am.

INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENTING COURSE

Incredible Years is a programme that helps with the day to day difficulties in parenting children (aged 3 – 8 years old) with challenging behaviour. It is run as a group over 14 weeks. Incredible Years builds on the strengths that you and others in the group already have. Because each child is an individual and no two families are the same, Incredible Years will help you to parent your unique child. Building a positive relationship with your child is the basis from which changes can be made and parenting can become easier. This programme has been run worldwide for over 30 years and has helped many parents and their families, in NZ and beyond. Join a group and put the fun back into parenting! Contact Dawn Nippert on 04 439 4671 or 0800 737275 or dawn.nippert@education.govt.nz

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Winter Holiday Programme @ Adventure School, Monday 10 – Friday 21 July 2017 **BOOK ONLINE NOW:** www.asfc.co.nz The Holiday Programme is open during the holidays from 8am - 5.30pm. The quality programme offers exciting field trips by chartered bus (e.g. visit Mission Inflatable, Laserforce, Car Museum and many more), fun games, art & craft and sport activities for primary aged children. For enquiries or more information please visit the website and choose your relevant Holiday Programme. The programme is approved by MSD and you may be eligible to receive an OSCAR subsidy. Everyone is welcome

BEYOND THE PAGE A literary festival, organised by the Wellington, Hutt City and Upper Hutt City libraries, will run during the school holidays – from 8 – 23 July 2017). The festival is aimed at children aged 5 – 18 years and will feature a wide range of events, including writing workshops with Des Hunt, wearable art demonstrations with Fifi Coulston, robots, Royal New Zealand Ballet storytimes and many more. All events are free. For further details of all events visit www.beyondthepage.nz or check out the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/beyondthepagenz/>

MAD FOR MARSHMALLOWS?

Make sure you visit Staglands these July School Holidays, and enjoy free marshmallows to toast on the fire down at the barn. Don't forget they'll also be running their popular free tractor/trailer rides (circumstances permitting). Bring the kids and the adults too and immerse yourself in this classic kiwi childhood experience www.staglands.co.nz

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THIS TERM

July

Monday 3	Assembly at 10 am, school hall
Monday 3	CEMNZ Science paper, staffroom, 11.30 am
Monday 3	Home and School committee meeting, 7.30pm, staffroom
Thursday 6	Matariki lunch in whanau groups 12:20pm
Friday 7	Last day of Term 2
Monday 24	First day of Term 3

ROTI FUNDRAISER

All orders to be into the school office by next Wednesday, 5 July please. Spare forms available at office.

JESSIE'S ORIGINAL ROTI and sauce is made locally and can be frozen

Option 1: ROTI – 10 pack - \$15.00 – keep chilled

Option 2: BUTTER CHICKEN SAUCE (fully cooked, no preservatives - \$6.00 – delivered frozen in 480gm punnet)

Option 3: ROTI (1 pack) and SAUCE (1) COMBO - \$20.00

- The Rotis and sauce can be kept frozen for a long time (more than six months)
- Roti's can be eaten with the butter chicken sauce or used as wraps or pizza bases.
- You could saute chicken with garlic, ginger and onion and once chicken is fully cooked add the sauce, bring sauce to the boil and your butter chicken curry is ready to eat.

DELIVERY: **GOODS WILL BE DELIVERED FRIDAY 28th JULY**

All orders must be accompanied by an order form Additional order forms available at school office.

2017 - ROTI FUNDRAISER ORDER FORM:

Last day for orders Wednesday 5th July 2017

Child's Name:	Child's Class:	Phone #:	Roti: \$15	Sauce: \$6	Roti/Sauce: \$20	Total:

Please indicate how payment is made:

	\$..... <u>EXACT</u> cash enclosed
	\$..... paid by EFTPOS at the school office on
	\$..... paid by internet banking to 12-3140-0133108-01 on (please reference with your Child's name and "Roti")