



Papakowhai School

Learning Together



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PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 4 ● Term 1 ● 21st February 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers

SOCIAL SKILL – RESPECT Our Social Skills focus for the next few weeks is Respect.



Social Skills

It's a word that our children hear frequently, although most children don't have a good understanding of how it affects them and others.

Children know that they want to be treated with tolerance and understanding, but many don't display the same courtesy to others.

How can children develop respect?

- Being able to have respect for individual differences in people.
- Being able to differentiate between being respectful and disrespectful.
- That to have self-respect is to behave in ways that make them feel good about themselves.
- Recognise that they are responsible for their own behaviour.
- Understand that respect starts with them.
- Understand that everyone wants respect and that when they give respect, that get it back in return.



Teaching respect to children can be broken down into 4 areas:

- Having respect for feelings.
- Having respect for differences.
- Having respect for rules.
- Having self-respect.

Remember... to get respect, you have to give respect. It starts with YOU!


Kind regards Lesley Hodge

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NEW COMMUNICATION APP

HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED OUR SCHOOL APP YET?

NEVER MISS IMPORTANT SCHOOL INFORMATION AGAIN!




- *Events
- *Notices
- *Instant school messages
- *Absentee
- *Newsletters
- * Permission Slips

Available on the App Store

Get it on Google play

Simple free download: In the Play Store and App Store search 'Skool Loop NZ' & choose our school once installed.



Please remember to download our Skool Loop app. The app is funded free to the school through the sponsorship of local businesses for an annual fee of \$215. All artwork can be created as a complimentary service for you. For further information please contact Shannon at The Skool Loop App shannon@skoolloop.com or phone 0800 238 379.

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS FEBRUARY 26 and 27

School will finish at 3pm as normal. Each appointment is 15 minutes. Appointments to see the teachers are made via a website www.schoolinterviews.co.nz . **The log-in code is da7xz.** Children are welcome to attend with their parents. You will be sent an email confirming your booking details. Changing or cancelling your booking can be done at any time. The booking website will close at noon on each interview day. If you are not able to make a booking online, please phone the school office.

Prior to the meeting you will receive a sheet of all your contact details and your child's details which we would like you to check before the interview.

We would like to know how your child is settling into school this year, how your child learns best, their strengths and weaknesses, your child's personality and how we can work best with them at school.

PUPIL SUPERVISION ON PARENT/TEACHER MEETING DAYS

After School care will be operating as usual between 3 and 6pm. You need to be a registered user of After School Care to use this service. Please contact the Office for more information.



This year we will be using Seesaw, instead of the portfolio folders. Seesaw gives your child creative tools to capture and reflect on their learning - in real time. Then this work is shared with you.

We need your help with Seesaw to ensure success. You can download Seesaw's family App for iOS, Android, or use the web to view your student's learning.

When your child adds new work, you will receive a notification to see, hear and respond to your child's post. *You only have access to your own child's work and all of the content is stored securely.*

If you did not receive a handout last week which was personalised to your child or if you have any questions about Seesaw, please email Caine Webster cainewebster@papakowhai.school.nz.



HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

KIDS TRIATHLON Sunday 4 March at the school. Entry forms and registration fee need to be handed into the office by **12noon on Wednesday of next week, 28 February. No late entries will be accepted.**



PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL HOODIES AND/OR HATS Samples are available at the office to check out sizes. There will be one order per term – the ordering for delivery this term closes on Thursday 1 March.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - WOMEN'S CLOTHING GRAB - FRIDAY 4 APRIL, 7.30pm SCHOOL HALL. We are collecting now: drop off to Papakowhai school office or to 16 Tweed Road. Tell your friends too. More details to follow nearer the date.

DRIVING UP AND PARKING IN THE DRIVEWAY

No cars other than staff and tradesman working at the school should be driving up the driveway after 7.45am please. If you are dropping off at Before School Care and arrive from 7.45am PLEASE park on the street and walk your child up.

SUBWAY LUNCH ORDERS

Subway lunches will be starting again this week. Subway have provided new envelopes which are now available from the office. Please ensure your orders are in by Thursday 9am at the latest.

REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH NOTIFICATION

We have been notified by Regional Public Health of an increase in cases of gastric upsets caused by the cryptosporidium bug (especially in children who had used the Raumati splash pad on Wellington Anniversary weekend). We would like to remind parents that people can still be infectious even though diarrhoea has stopped. This is why Regional Public Health recommends that children stay away from school for 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting. It is important for children to keep out of swimming pools (or away from splash pads) for 2 weeks after the diarrhoea has stopped as the bug can spread easily in pools.

CHEERLEADING CLASSES

Beginner open cheerleading classes for ages 6 years and up from 6.45pm-7.30pm on Wednesdays at Papakowhai School Hall! Fun learning stunts, tumblers, jumps, flexibility and dance! Txt Sally 0276991808 or check out SWPT on Facebook!

MOVIE FUNDRAISER - FINDING YOUR FEET, SUNDAY 25 FEBRUARY

Adele O'Leary, a parent and teacher from our school, is organising a movie night fundraiser on Sunday 25 February at the Pauatahanui Lighthouse Cinema. The movie is called 'Finding your Feet' and tickets cost \$20. All proceeds go to The NZ Breast Cancer Foundation. The event starts from 6.45 pm with the movie screening at 7.30 pm. Please contact Adele if you would like a ticket - adele@papakowhai.school.nz or phone 027 747 1631.

MANA MONTESSORI FAIR

The Montessori Preschool fair is being held this Saturday, 24 February, from 12 noon – 2.30pm in Albatross Close in Whitby. There will be stalls, yummy food, pony rides, raffles and much more!

COMMUNITY SPORTS NOTICES

PUKERUA BAY SOCCER CLUB Registrations close on Wednesday 28 February. For more details please visit www.pukeruabaysoccer.org.nz

PAREPLIM 2018 RUGBY REGISTRATION Paremata Plimmerton Junior Rugby registrations are now open online at www.gameforall.co.nz. Registration can be completed and uniforms collected at the club rooms on Wednesday 28 Feb 5.30 - 8, Sat 3 March 10 - 2, or our Canes in Club night on Thurs 22 March

5.30 - 8, come on down and meet some of our local hurricanes. Any questions please email pareplimrfc@gmail.com

PLIMMERTON FUN RUN Sunday 25 February. There are various routes from 2km up to 21kms around the Plimmerton and Pukerua Bay area. Head to www.plimmertonfunrun.com for further details.

GKR KARATE GKR Karate run lessons throughout the Wellington region for children, adults and families. They offer a free trial class so that you can give it a go. Please contact Anthony Kaiaruna for more information about venues and booking a free class, akaiaruna@gkrkarate.com or call 0277653935

BUILDING AWESOME WHANAU PARENTING COURSE

The Parenting Place are holding a six week parenting course on Wednesdays, 7pm to 9:30pm at Elim Church, 11 Heriot Dr, Porirua. The course runs from 7 March to 11 April inclusive. Cost: \$75 per person, \$110 per couple (subsidies available). The course is free for foster and adoptive parents and grandparents raising grandchildren, thanks to government funding. Bookings are essential. For further details or to book online visit theparentingplace.com/events or contact wellington@parentingplace.nz

KIDS GO FREE AT STAGLANDS ON CHILDREN'S DAY

Staglands Wildlife Reserve will be celebrating Children's Day on Sunday 4 March by offering FREE ENTRY into The Reserve for ALL CHILDREN. In addition to their usual attractions visitors can enjoy free off-road tractor-trailer rides. *Offer is not available with any other offer. Children (0-16 years) must be accompanied by paying adult. For more information visit www.staglands.co.nz

DRAMA CLASSES

Their international curriculum will help explore performance skills, creativity, overcome shyness, develop positive self-esteem, grow imagination, Interact with adults, make new friends and have lots of fun! Classes for children aged 5 – 17 years are held in Khandallah, Tawa, Lower Hutt, Whitby. To enrol please call 0800 161 131 or visit their website, www.helenogradynz.co.nz

BALLERINA BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Would your 3, 4 or 5 year old love to have their party with a real ballerina? Dancing around offers birthday parties with 30 minutes of dancing fun with a ballerina. To book or for further details please contact Stacey on 0274705000, email dancingaround@hotmail.co.nz or check out the 'Dancing Around' Facebook page.

SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

FEBRUARY

Monday 26 and Tuesday 27
Evenings

Meet the Teacher

MARCH

Thursday 1

Orders close for school

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Sunday 4

Papakowhai School

triathlon – registration forms available at office

Monday 5

Assembly, 10am, school

hall

Wednesday 14

BOT meeting, 7 pm

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL HOODIE AND/OR HAT ORDER FORM

STUDENT NAME/S AND
CLASS/ES _____

PARENTS NAME AND CONTACT NUMBER

ITEM	PRICE	SIZE/S	QUANTITY	TOTAL PRICE
SCHOOL HOODIE SIZE 6, 8, 10, 12, 14	\$55 EACH			
NAVY BLUE BUCKET HAT SIZE 55CM, 57CM, 59CM, 61CM	\$22 EACH			
YELLOW BUCKET HAT SIZE 55CM, 57CM, 59CM, 61CM	\$22 EACH			
			TOTAL TO PAY	

\$..... cash/cheque enclosed
\$..... paid by EFTPOS at the school office on
\$..... paid by internet banking to Papakowhai Home and School Committee 12-3478-0060954-00 on..... Please reference with your name and 'Hoodie order'