



Papakowhai School

Learning Together



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PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 6 ● Term 1 ● 7th March 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers

LAST PRINT VERSION OF THE NEWSLETTER


This is the last newsletter we are printing and distributing to the eldest or only child in each class. We need you to download the Skool Loop app if you haven't already done so. This will give you access to the newsletter and notices.

The newsletter can also be emailed to you. You can sign up on our website or email office@papakowhai.school.nz to be added to the email list. The newsletter will also be posted on our website. We will have a few printed copies available at the office if you need to collect one.



Thank you to all the parents who have already signed up for Skool Loop and Seesaw.

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



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PAID UNION MEETINGS FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS— WEDNESDAY 21ST MARCH 2018

Primary school teachers and principals are attending paid union meetings in March to discuss their collective bargaining goals. Teachers at Papakowhai School are attending a meeting at 2pm on Wednesday 21st March. At the meeting NZEI members discuss issues and conduct votes. Papakowhai School will remain open during the paid union meetings. Non-union members, support staff and some union members will stay at school. After School Care will still operate on Wednesday 21st March as usual.

Due to the fact that we will have a reduced staff at school we ask that as many children as possible finish school at 1:30pm on the day of the meeting. Children in Rata will need to be collected from class. Other children will be dismissed by their teacher if you have given permission for them to finish at 1:30pm. **We will send out a permission slip next week if you are willing for your child to finish at 1:30pm. If you need your child to stay at school until 3pm you will not need to do anything.**

TRIATHLON

Huge congratulations to the children who participated in the inaugural Home and School Triathlon (placings are published in the 'Home and School Committee' section of this newsletter). It was such a special day with great effort and fair play. A massive thank you to the Home and School committee for organising the event. Special thanks to Niki Lister and Rose Crawford for being the powerhouse behind this event. This event raised \$1500 towards covering the school swimming pool.

Kind regards
Mark Smith

PRINCIPAL

mark@papakowhai.school.nz

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE



HOME AND SCHOOL AGM Home and School AGM will be held on Monday 12th March at 7pm in the staffroom. The Home and School committee meeting will follow after the election of the new committee.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - WOMEN'S CLOTHING

GRAB - FRIDAY 6 APRIL, 7.30pm

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.

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL TRIATHLON PLACINGS

Congratulations to everyone that took part in our triathlon on Sunday. Below are the top 3 placings for each year group.

Year	First	Second	Third
1 Girls	Sofia Nguyen	Lucy Blundell	
1 Boys	Logan Wilson	Nathan Leitch	Brodie Nikolaison-Rowe
2 Girls	Heidi Ducker	Milah Un	Chetana Surpaneni
2 Boys	Miller Buck	Thomas Herring	Harry Maitland
3 Girls	Anae Mundell	Zaria Phelps	Lucy Bunton
3 Boys	Toryn Hazelhurst	Dane Hansen	Rahat Sharma
4 Girls	Sienna Wilson	Marissa Wilson	Erin Thomson
4 Boys	Roman Summerville-Murray	Will Hansen	Daniel Turetsky
5 Girls	Liandi Fouri	Lucy Byres	Maddy Hunt
5 Boys	Travis Carnegie	Liam Phelps	Blake Hansen

6 Girls	Milan Hansen		
6 Boys	James Willets	Ohara Mundell	Connor Wilson
7 Girls	Jade Lin	Emma Jenkins	Emma Avery
7 Boys	Bradley Thiele		
8 Girls	Grace Williams		
8 Boys	Sami Widlof		

PAYMENTS TO THE SCHOOL - PLEASE ENSURE IT IS THE CORRECT ACCOUNT NUMBER

Please check the account number when making a payment to the school or to the Home & School.

Papakowhai School's account is 12-3140-0133108-01 (for donations, fees and before/after school care).

Papakowhai Home and School account is 12-3478-0060954-00 (for their fundraisers such as the triathlon and hoodies).

Over the past couple of weeks, payments intended for the school have been paid to the Home and School, and vice versa. These have all been sorted but it would be appreciated if you could check that you have the correct bank account when making payments.

HAND, FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

We have had a few cases of hand, foot and mouth disease reported in Kauri block. This presents with a mild fever, painful sores in the mouth and a rash with blisters on the hands and feet. The rash can be confused with chickenpox but, in this case, it only appears on the extremities. Children are infectious before the symptoms start through until the blisters have dried. Frequent and thorough hand washing can help prevent the spread of the disease. For more

information, visit <https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/hand-foot-and-mouth-disease>

TOTARA 4 – MISS PARKER

This week Miss Parker has been on jury duty so the class has been taken by reliever teachers.

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NETBALL TEAMS

Netball notices will be coming home this week for students in Years 5 – 8. These must be completed and returned to the school office by next Monday, 12 March, so that trials can be arranged for later in the month.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT SURF LIFESAVING UNDER 14 NATIONAL COMPETITION – OCEANS'18

Congratulations to **Ava Jones**, **James van der Voort** and **Phoebe** and **Matilda Grennell** who took part in the National Surf Lifesaving competition in Auckland last week.

Matilda (under 11's) made the semi-final for her board race.

Ava (under 12's) made the final for Diamond (a swim and then a board paddle) and the final for surf race (swimming), finishing in the top 10

James (under 13's) was competing in his first Surf nationals and did very well.

Phoebe (under 13's) made the semi-final for run-swim-run, the final for grand Cameron (a team of 6 event) and she was 4th for beach flags (just missing out on a medal).

There are around 100-120 competitors in each age group and our Papakowhai students were amazing.

ONLINE SUBWAY LUNCH ORDERS

Subway are now offering an online ordering option at www.subwayexpress.co.nz You will need to register when you make your first order and then just log in for subsequent orders. Select 'Papakowhai School' and follow the prompts to enter your child's name

and class and create your sub. Payment online is only by credit card and you need to ensure that payment has gone through otherwise the order will not be sent to the store. If placing orders for multiple children each will need to be entered and paid for separately. Online orders must be completed before 8pm on Thursday to ensure delivery on Friday lunchtime. More information on the online ordering system is available from the school office.

Subway envelopes are still available from the office if you prefer to order that way (correct change only please). Please ensure your envelope orders are placed in the Subway lunch order box at the office by Thursday 9am at the latest.

GOODTIME MUSIC ACADEMY - MUSIC BUS LESSONS

Goodtime Music Academy is pleased to continue offering music bus lessons during 2018 at Papakowhai School. Weekly lessons take place during school hours. If you would like to register your child for lessons, please visit their website www.goodtimemusicacademy.co.nz

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL BOT NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 7 March 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers

The Papakowhai School BOT has identified the need to amend the enrolment zone to prevent overcrowding in 2019. The need to amend the zone was communicated to you last year and the Ministry of Education is in agreement that the zone needs to be reduced.

The enrolment zone will need to reduce in size so that our school can continue to provide quality schooling within the classrooms and other infrastructure we have available. As you may be aware, over the last few years we have added additional classrooms (and associated infrastructure, such as carparks) to manage the continued growth in the number of children from within our enrolment zone, who are wanting to attend Papakowhai School.

The BOT doesn't believe there is scope to add any further classrooms. The enrolment zone therefore needs to be reduced to manage roll growth from 2019.

Process

The BOT met with Ministry of Education officials in February to start this process. At this meeting the MOE outlined the process that needs to be used and how they can support us through it. The process is as follows:

February – The BOT gathers data and starts preparing a draft zone change for consultation.

March - The BOT shares a draft zone change with the MOE to approve the draft zone for consultation.

April - The BOT informally consults with neighbouring schools and stakeholders.

May – Formal consultation with parents, schools and community.

June – Information from the formal consultation is reviewed.

July – The BOT adopts a new zone and submits it to the MOE for approval. The new zone is advertised.

January 1 2019 – The new zone comes into force.

At the February meeting of the BOT we developed criteria to help guide us with making decisions about which parts of the zone could potentially be made “Out of Zone”.

Draft criteria we developed to identify parts of our zone that could be made to “Out of Zone”

- We want to be conservative in our approach. We want to make small changes to the zone rather than make a large change that we later find was not needed
- Proximity to Papakowhai School
- Proximity to other schools
- Whether the area is zoned for another school
- Potential impact on the Papakowhai School roll

- Potential impact on the Papakowhai School roll if another primary school was built in Aotea at a later date
- Natural geographical boundaries

The Ministry of Education also require:

- No islands are formed. We cannot make part of our zone “Out of Zone” if it is surrounded by areas that are in zone.
- The BOT to avoid making only one side of a street in zone.

If you would like to give us feedback on the criteria we are developing please feel free to email bot@papakowhai.school.nz .

Yours faithfully

Papakowhai School BOT

COMMUNITY SPORTS NOTICES

PAREPLIM 2018 RUGBY REGISTRATION

Paremata Plimmerton Junior Rugby registrations are open online at www.gameforall.co.nz. Registration can be completed and uniforms collected at the club rooms on their 'Canes in Club' night of Thurs 22 March 5.30 – 8pm. Head on down and meet some of our local Hurricanes! Any questions please email pareplimrfc@gmail.com

DISCOVERY SCHOOL X GAMES

Please put Sunday 8 April in your diary for a family fun day, with 25 event stations ready to challenge your mind, senses, humour, singing, physical and mental abilities. Registrations are now open so get your team together, sign up online and start planning your costumes www.discoveryxgames.co.nz/online-registration

AOTEA COLLEGE FUNDRAISING

Aotea College Association are selling the Entertainment book to fundraise. Digital memberships are available too, at the same cost of \$65 (of which \$13 will go to the college). PRE SALES have started! PRE ORDER YOURS ONLINE visit: www.entbook.co.nz/10684z7 Alternatively, please contact Tracie on: Email: vntlane@xtra.co.nz
Pre- Purchase before 3rd April 2018 to receive over \$180 worth of Early Bird Bonus Offers you can use straight away!

SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

MARCH

Monday 12	Home and School AGM and committee meeting, 7pm, staffroom
Wednesday 14	BOT meeting, 7 pm
Wednesday 21	Teachers Paid Union Meeting, children can be collected at 1.30pm

Tuesday 27 Rimu, Totara and Kauri
photograph day
Friday 30 Good Friday – school closed

April

Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 Easter Monday and
Tuesday – school closed
Wednesday 4 BOT meeting, 7 pm
Friday 6 Women's clothing grab, 7.30pm,
Papakowhai School hall
Tuesday 10 – Thursday 12 Year 7 & 8 Camp at
Kaitoke, Upper Hutt
Friday 13 Last day of Term 1