



PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 3 ● Term 2 ● 16th May 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers

ZONE CONSULTATION

We received submissions on the proposed changes to Papakowhai School's Zone as part of our informal consultation process.

We received a range of feedback from the community, the themes of which are as follows.

- Suggestions to change the process for out-of-zone children, to give preference to those affected by the zone changes, particularly where siblings are already attending Papakowhai School
- Expressing frustration, concern or uncertainty about the proposed changes and what they may mean
- Expressing support for aspects of the proposed changes
- Disagreeing with the rationale for areas not included in the proposed zone, particularly the Fjord, Fiordland Place and Abel Glen. The main objections related to the proximity to school relative to other areas remaining in zone, convenience or safety of driving or walking to a different school, and whether other areas are better geographically suited to being outside of the zone.

All the submissions raised valid points, some of which we are seeking clarity from the Ministry of Education on:

- Whether the Board has any discretion to change how the out-of-zone process works (e.g: to phase or give preference to some out-of-zone applicants)

- The options we have considered could potentially be excluded from a revised zone.
- We have also taken the opportunity to get an update from the Ministry's on the future schooling provision for Aotea.

We have proposed a public meeting on May 30th at 7:30pm where the Board will be able to respond as best as possible to the points raised.

We will provide more details about the meeting when the formal consultation period begins. The formal consultation will run for at least 4 weeks from the date of commencement.

PRINCIPAL SABBATICAL

I have been awarded a study scholarship for Term 3 by the Ministry of Education. The purpose of the award is to do a research project into effective leadership in Communities of Learning and also take some time for rest and refreshment. Caine Webster will be Acting Principal for Term 3.

Kind regards
Mark Smith
PRINCIPAL

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

**TOMORROW WEATHER PERMITTING
PLEASE LOOK AT SKOOL LOOP, THE WEBSITE OR
FACEBOOK FOR UPDATES.**

If we have to postpone, the cross country will be held on Tuesday 29th May at the same times.

Given the muddy conditions we recommend that children bring a second pair of shoes and a plastic bag to put muddy shoes into. A change of pants may also be helpful. All children will need a water bottle.

This year races will begin with the Year 8's and we will work our way through the year groups finishing up with the Year 1's.

Year 1 - 1 lap of the school field

Year 2 - 1 short lap of the school

Year 3 - 1 long lap of the school, 1 lap of the field

Years 4 to 8 - Long laps of school and laps of the field

- All races begin and finish on the bottom field
- Each race will be announced and children called for
- Students will be taken through a warm up prior to their race
- Year 5 -8 children will be seated on the Astroturf from 9:30 -11 and then return to class after morning tea
- Year 1- 4 will stay in class until morning tea and be seated on the Astroturf 11:30 -1pm
- Children return to the turf and year group at the completion of their race
- Race times are only approximate times. Please be prepared for races to start 15 minutes earlier or later than the advertised time

Time	Race group	Time	Race group
9.30am	Year 8 Girls	11.30am	Year 4 Girls
9.40am	Year 8 Boys	11.40am	Year 4 Boys
9.55am	Year 7 Girls	12:00am	Year 3 Girls
10.05am	Year 7 Boys	12:10 am	Year 3 Boys
10.20am	Year 6 Girls	12.20pm	Year 2 Girls
10.30am	Year 6 Boys	12.30pm	Year 2 Boys
10.45am	Year 5 Girls	12.40pm	Year 1 Girls
10.55am	Year 5 Boys	12.50pm	Year 1 Boys
Morning Tea		11:05-11:20	

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND

School will be closed on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th June for the public holiday and mid-term break holiday. School is open as normal on Friday 1st June.

LOST WATCH

A black, khaki green and creamy yellow Lego watch with the figure of Yoda on it has been lost this week. If it is found could it please be handed into the office to be reunited with its owner – thank you.

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Papakowhai School hoodies and hats

Information on ordering hoodies and hats can be found on the Skool Loop App and also on the Papakowhai School website. **Orders for this term**



will close this Friday, 18 May and items will be delivered in mid- June. Samples to check out sizes are available at the office. Orders can be made online or forms can be obtained from the office.

PINK SHIRT DAY 2018 – FRIDAY 18 MAY

Papakowhai School is a KiVa school. This means that we are working hard to eliminate bullying at our school. This week has been "Bully free week" and this Friday, the 18th of May, is pink shirt day.

Pink shirt day signifies the end of bully free week by people wearing pink! We would love it if as many students as possible wore pink in some way - T-shirt, shorts, pants, hat, socks, bandana, scarf etc. Pink Shirt Day is a reminder that small actions lead to larger actions that create positive change where we live, work and play.

So remember to wear pink on Friday 18th and if you have or see a bullying problem stand up and remember that you are not alone.

YEAR 7 AND 8 VACCINATION FORMS

Please return all permission forms to the school office as soon as possible. There is a section to complete and return even if you do not want your child to receive the vaccination.

AOTEA COLLEGE OPEN EVENING

The Aotea College Open Evening for enrolments for 2019 will be held on Wednesday 13th June 2018.

There will be 2 sessions; the first from 3:30 to 5:00pm and the second 6:00 to 7:30 pm.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



On Friday, **Caleb Cam** travelled to Christchurch to take part in the Uppersouth Trampoline championships. He won his age group for trampoline and has therefore qualified for the National Competition. Congratulations Caleb!!

BLACK RECYCLING BOXES

Porirua City Council are issuing new wheelie bins for recycling over the next few weeks. The school's Enviro Leaders would like to ask families for their black recycling boxes, if they no longer want them, as they would like to make them into planter boxes to be placed around the school.

NZ OPEN ONE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Do you love Dancing with the Stars on TV? Come along to Te Rauparaha Arena on Saturday 2 and Sunday 3 June and see some of New Zealand's best amateur ballroom and latin dancers take to the floor at the NZ Open One Dance Championships. There are day sessions on both Saturday and Sunday and an evening session on Saturday. For full details of times and ticket prices visit the Te Rauparaha Arena website <http://terauparaha-arena.co.nz/>

PAREMATA PLUNKET CRECHE

This early childhood centre is located in central Whitby overlooking the lake (in between the Whitby Library and Plunket Nurse). They currently have spaces available for children over 2 years old and a short wait list for under 2's. They have a maximum licence for 25 children, including 5 spaces each day for children under 2. They offer 2 sessions each day, 8.30-12.30 and 8.30-2.30, with a sleep room onsite. To enquire, please call 234 1690 or email paremataplunketcreche@xtra.co.nz. Pop in and visit any time between 9am – 2pm or check out their Facebook page; Paremata Plunket Creche.

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

MAY – Bee Healthy dental van is at school until 28th

Wednesday 16	BOT meeting, 7pm, staffroom
Thursday 17	Papakowhai School cross country
Tuesday 22	Young Leaders Day trip
Wednesday 23	Rimu 1 - 4 trip
Thursday 24	Rimu 5 & 6 trip
Wednesday 30	Zone Consultation public meeting, 7.30pm in the school hall

JUNE

Friday 1	Yr 8 – 1 st Gardisil vaccination, 2pm
Monday 4	Queen's birthday public holiday
Tuesday 5	Mid-term break – school closed

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL HOODIE / HAT ORDER FORM

Student name and class _____

Parent name _____

Contact number _____

Hoodies are available in sizes 6, 8, 10, 12 and 14
(please enquire about the possibility of a larger size
by emailing homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz)

Hats are in sizes 55cm, 57cm, 59cm and 61cm.

Samples are at the school office to try on.

Orders need to be received by 18/5/18 and will be
delivered to your child's class in mid June.

Item	Price	Size	Quantity	Total
School hoodie	\$55			
School hoodie	\$55			
Bucket hat (blue)	\$22			
Bucket hat (yellow)	\$22			
Total order cost				

Indicate how you have paid (circle and add date)

Online

Cash

EFTPOS

Payments can be made to the following account:

Papakowhai Home and School Committee

12-3478-0060954-00, reference with 'Hoodie' and
child's name please.

Payment must be made at time of ordering.

If ordering for multiple children, please use oldest
child's name and class on order form.