



Papakowhai School

Learning Together



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PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 11 ● Term 1 ● 10 April 2019

Dear Parents/Caregivers

PAID UNION MEETING MONDAY 6TH MAY

NZEI have called a paid union meeting for teachers on Monday 6th May at 1:30pm. We will not have enough adult supervision at school to look after all of the children.

We would like as many children as possible to finish school at 1 pm on the day of the paid union meeting.

We will provide supervision for those staying on for After School Care or who cannot finish at 1 pm. All children staying until 3pm will be in Rata block for the afternoon.

Rata children will only be released to parents. All other children with permission to finish early will be dismissed by their teacher at 1 pm.

If you need your children to stay at school until 3pm you don't need to do anything.

If you are willing for your children to finish at 1 pm please return the permission slip – either on the paper notice issued today or from the end of this newsletter - to the office.

THANKS FOR A GREAT TERM 1

Thank you to all the students, staff and parents/caregivers for a great first term. We have packed in lots of great learning inside and outside of the classroom. I hope you all have a restful holiday.

Kind regards
Mark Smith
Principal

mark@papakowhai.school.nz

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Many thanks to everyone who came to the Clothing Grab last week and helped to make it such a successful evening. In the office we have a large, off white framed mirror and some small plates/platters that were used during the evening – please come and collect any items that are yours.

The next big event will be the school discos on Friday 14 June – the theme this year will be ‘Under the Sea’.



PARENT HELP NEEDED IN KAURI 3

Mrs Debby C-J would greatly appreciate some parent/grandparent/whanau help in Kauri 3 – you do not have to have a child in the class to offer your time. This would involve an hour a week listening to a few children read, 1 on 1, for about 15 minutes per child. If you feel this is something you could help with, please contact Debby by email debby@papakowhai.school.nz or call the office on 233 8321 and leave her a message.

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all the students that took part in the school cross country yesterday. Thank you to all the wonderful supporters who came along and cheered our runners on. Below are the top 3 placings for all years.

	1st	2nd	3rd
Year 1 Girls	Maya Suckling	Milan Vos	Lily Collins
Year 1 Boys	Liam Ahlers	Mason O’Sullivan	Niko Grant
Year 2 Girls	Sophia Ritchie	Saskia Pearman	Olivia Wallace
Year 2 Boys	Tate Gibson-Rewharewha	Sam O’Leary	Nate Hall
Year 3 Girls	Camille Zhou	Kayla Harris	Emma Harrison
Year 3 Boys	Mutu Ngarimu	Miller Buck	Zac Dilks
Year 4 Girls	Anae Mundell	Zaria Phelps	Lucy Bunton
Year 4 Boys	Toryn Hazelhurst	Dane Hansen	Quinn Brittliff
Year 5 Girls	Charlotte Harrison	Hayley Hansen	Olivia Dilks
Year 5 Boys	Roman Summerville-Murray	Wyatt Perkins	Ryan de Villiers
Year 6 Girls	Nadia Wellings	Alexandra McMullin	Storm Perkins

Year 6 Boys	Blake Hansen	Hadley Fale	Josiah Green
Year 7 Girls	Gwyneth Dennis	Milan Hansen	Charli Gaskin
Year 7 Boys	Ohara Mundell	William Sheffield-Cranstoun	Levi Walmsley
Year 8 Girls	Jade Lin	Gabriella Esterhuizen	Emma Jenkins
Year 8 Boys	Oliver Sue	Aiden Harrison	Chad Thomson

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

As part of Global Money Week 2019 **Chloe Weir-Smith** entered a money box design competition through Banquer (an interactive learning tool to teach financial literacy in schools) and was one of only 2 winners in New Zealand! Her prize included a shared morning tea for her class and also a box of games, stickers and goodies for the class to share. Well done Chloe!

INDOOR SOCCER

Well done to the Year 3/4 **Papakowhai Yellow** indoor soccer team who won their grade. They managed to go the whole season undefeated with only 3 goals being scored against them. Awesome job boys!



INDOOR NETBALL

Congratulations to the **Papakowhai Gold** indoor netball team who won the final of the Indoor Sport Porirua Junior Summer Series. It was a nail biting match but the team fought hard to win 8 - 5 in the end.

Back row (from left) **Brooke Hawkins, Nadia Wellings, Libby Alexander, Renee Fountain, Blake Hanson** Front row (l to r) **Antje Singson, Tara McGuire, Lexie Clibborn.**



Also well done to the two Year 6/7 indoor netball teams. The Dazzlers came 1st in their minor final and the Pink Panthers came 3rd in their division. Both teams performed extremely well throughout the season.



And further netball news from last week.....



Ishani Choudhury won the opportunity, through the ANZ Future Captains competition, to meet Pulse captain Katrina Rore and Stars captain Leana de Bruin and lead the teams out onto centre court at the start of last week's match at Te Rauparaha Arena. **Cora Rayner**, a friend of Ishani, was also able to join her for the exciting on court experience.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND

School will be closed on Monday 3rd June for the public holiday and Tuesday 4th June for the mid-term break.

UN-NAMED SCHOOL HOODIES

We still have 4 un-named Papakowhai School hoodies at the office; two size 8's, one size 10 and one size 12. Please check if your child has theirs. Please ensure Papakowhai School hoodies and hats are clearly named as otherwise it is impossible for us to return them.

THANKS FOR MAKING MOVIN' MARCH GREAT!

It was good to see so many students walking, scooting and biking to school during March – keep up the good work! All in-school prizes for the WOW passports and the colouring competition have been given out and we have sent off all our entries for the prize draws run by the greater Wellington Council. Fingers crossed that we are lucky enough to win in their draws!

BELLYFUL PORIRUA FUNDRAISER

Bellyful Porirua are running a scavenger hunt, throughout the month of April, around Porirua and Tawa. Complete 10 free fun activities and go into the draw to win one of 3 great kids prize packs. For further information please visit their Facebook page, Bellyful Porirua.

JENNIAN WELLINGTON MOTHERS DAY 5k FUN RUN/WALK

Sunday 12 May at 9 am at 2 locations – Aotea Lagoon, Porirua AND Otaihanga Domain, Paraparaumu. Free parking is available at both venues.

Registrations – Complete an online registration at jennianmothersday.com and your entry pack with your free Dick Frizzel tee shirt will be couriered to you. Adult tickets \$20, children (under 14) \$15 with all proceeds going to the Heart Foundation to help support research into New Zealanders number one killer disease.

Everyone is welcome to join in and they look forward to seeing you all there, rain or shine!

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

TAP THE MAGIC STORY TREE AT PORIRUA CITY LIBRARIES

Enchanting dress-up story times happen at City Centre Library on April 16, 18, 24 and 26, at 10.30 am.

Captivating craft and story sessions happen at Cannons Creek Library on April 16 and 23, at 1.30 pm.

Whitby Library will have magical unicorn and dragon craft tables, and a find-the-hidden-unicorns challenge, happening all holidays during opening hours.

For further information, please visit

porirualibrary.org.nz/whats-on

**AFTERSCHOOL FUN CLUB @ADVENTURE SCHOOL,
15 – 26 APRIL 2019 BOOK ONLINE NOW: www.asfc.co.nz**

The holiday programme is open from **8 am – 5 / 5.30 pm**. They offer exciting field trips by chartered bus (e.g. visit to Laserforce, Nga Manu reserve, and more), fun games, art & craft and sport activities for primary aged children. All staff trained and police vetted. For enquiries or more information please visit the website (the programme flyer is attached there).

OLE SOCCER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

This programme is run for 3 days a week at Upper Main Drive in Kenepuru for children aged 7 – 12 years. There will be some football, as well as other activities and outings. There are OSCAR funding/subsidies available. To register email simone@ole.co.nz or for more information visit their website www.olefootballacademy.co.nz/grassroots

SOME IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL

Wednesday 10	BOT meeting, 7pm Staffroom
Friday 12	Last day of Term 1
Monday 28	First day of Term 2

MAY - Dental van arrives on 1st May for 4 weeks

Monday 6	Paid Union meeting, school finishes early at 1 pm
Wednesday 8	Totara 1 & 3 trip to zoo
Thursday 9	Totara 2 & 4 trip to zoo

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EARLY FINISH PERMISSION FORM

I give permission for my child(ren) to finish at 1 pm on Monday 6th May.

Child(ren)'s Name(s)

Class(es)

Parent Caregiver Signature

DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM IF YOU NEED YOUR CHILDREN TO STAY AT SCHOOL UNTIL 3PM