



Papakowhai School

Learning Together



Spey Place, Papakowhai, Porirua 5024
Phone: 233 8321 Fax: 233 9403 Email: office@papakowhai.school.nz
Web: www.papakowhai.school.nz

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 3 ● Term 2 ● 15 May 2019

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Strike Action Wednesday 29th May

The Papakowhai School Board of Trustees need to advise you that, unless there is a breakthrough in the Teacher collective contract negotiations, school will be closed on Wednesday 29th May for the whole day. There will be no After School or Before School Care available on these days. Please make alternative child care arrangements. Teachers in all primary and secondary school across New Zealand will be taking industrial action on this day.

Call for nominations for the Papakowhai School Board of Trustees triennial elections, June 7 2019

Last week every family received a nomination form. At our school we are looking for **FIVE** community trustees. Parents, caregivers and people from the wider community can put their name forward to be on a school board during the board of trustee elections.

If you require further information about becoming a trustee or to learn more about trustee elections visit:

www.trustee-election.co.nz or contact the NZ School Trustees Association on: 0800 353 284 or email electionsAdvice@nzsta.org.nz

If you did not receive a nomination form please contact Diana Parker in the school office or by email

dianap@papakowhai.school.nz

Playground Update

We now have two designs that we would like your feedback on. This playground is for Year 1 and 2's and will replace the old bars and sandpit currently outside Rata. To allow space for the playground to fit we would also use the strip of grass between the sandpit and Mr Webster's office. Both options are basically the same price.

Option 1



Option 2



“The Rainbow” (the track over the bank behind Kauri Block) is nearly complete. We just need the gravel compacted and to temporarily fence off the areas where the grass needs to grow back. We are also looking at seating for the area at the south end of the Rainbow. We hope to open this up next week.

The cover for the new sandpit at the top of the Rimu steps should be arriving in a couple of weeks. When the cover is here we will open the sandpit.

The bike track will be constructed during the school holidays.

Please email feedback to mark@papakowhai.school.nz

UCCAM (GREAT KIWI COMPETITION) ENTRIES

Entries for all papers close this Friday, 17 May. Permission slip and full details are at the end of this newsletter.

PINK SHIRT DAY – FRIDAY 17TH MAY

Papakowhai has joined the Pink Shirt Day movement to Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

On Friday 17th, we're pinking out the school to show our commitment to creating an environment that is safe, welcoming and inclusive of all taura/students.

With your help we can turn this around by ensuring our school celebrates diversity and is a place where everyone can feel safe, valued and respected.

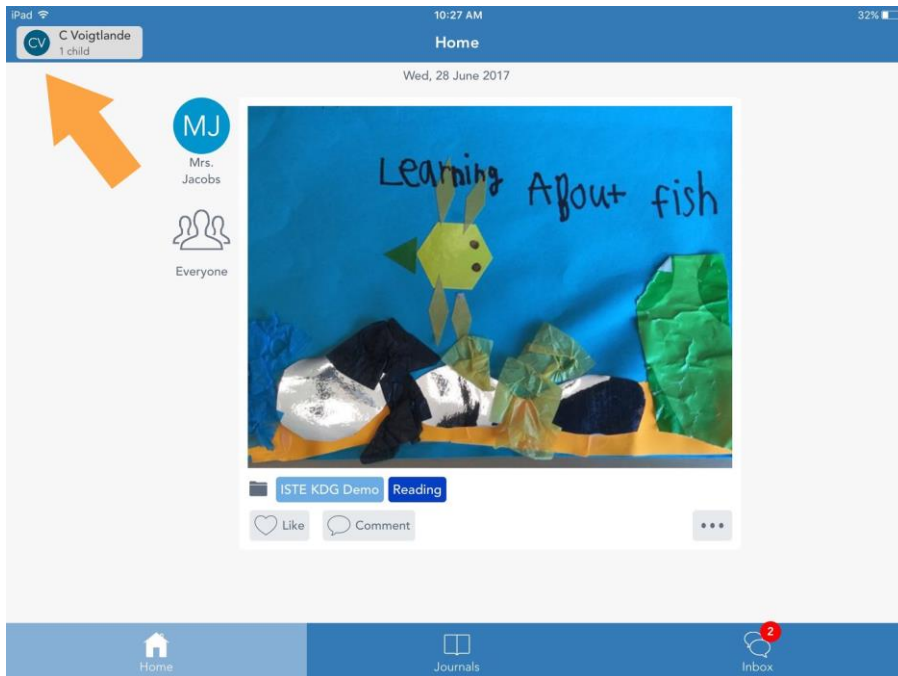
So this Friday wear pink and bring a gold coin donation to help support The Mental Health Foundation. The money raised will go to help support those who reach out to them.

SEESAW - How do families download an archive of student work?

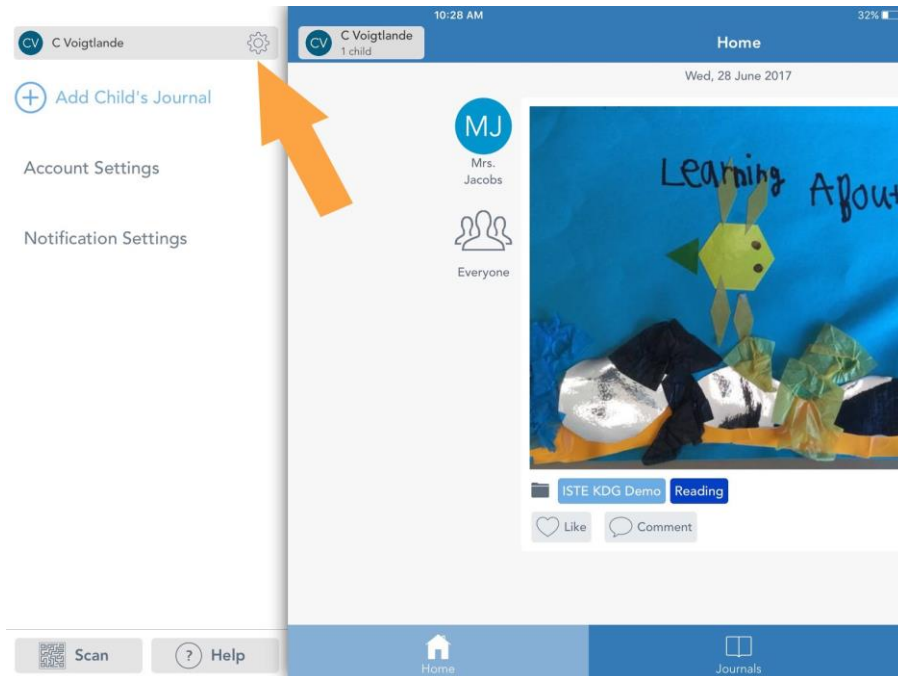
Here's how to download a .zip archive of your child's Seesaw journal, including images, videos, audio recordings, and text notes or captions. Please use a computer and a Chrome or Firefox browser only, the .zip file will not download on a mobile or tablet device.

Students who sign into Seesaw using their email address can also download their .zip archive by following these instructions:

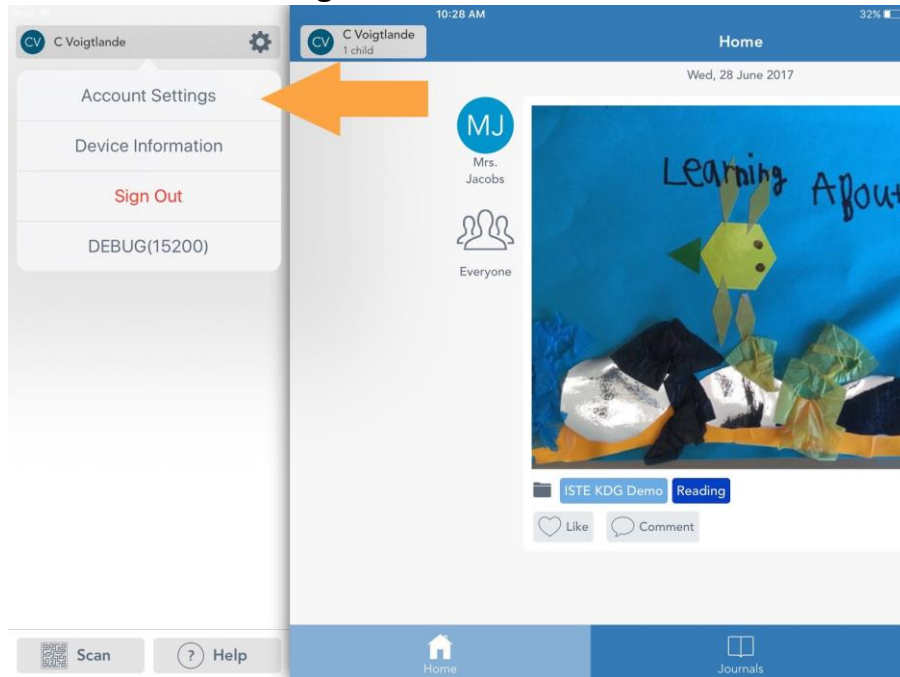
1. Sign into your Family account at <https://app.seesaw.me>.
2. Click your Profile Icon on the top left.



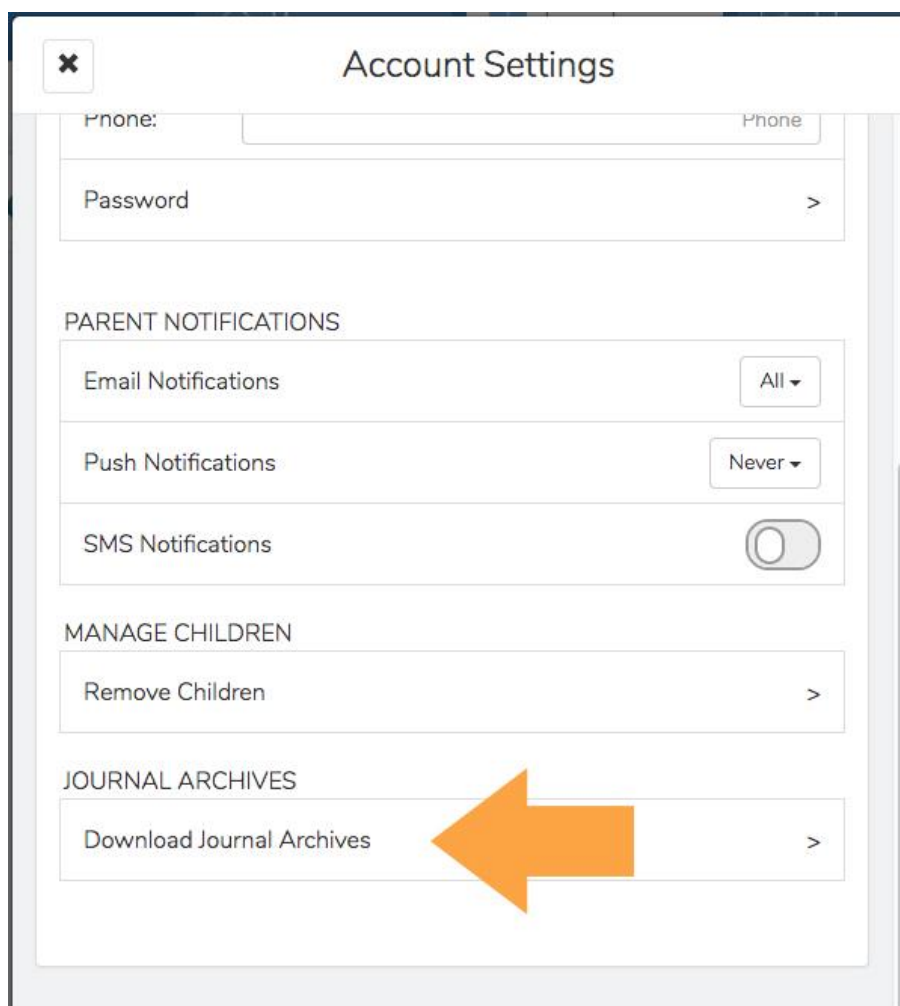
3. Click the Gear Icon.



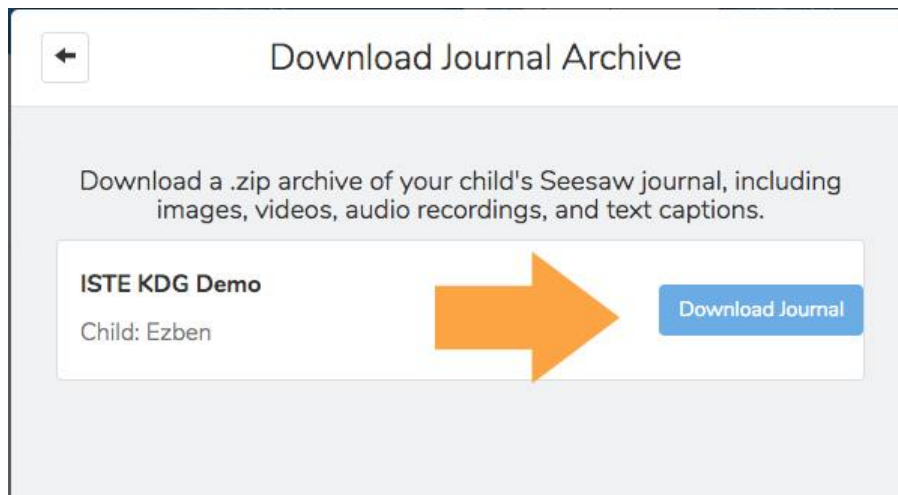
4. Click Account Settings.



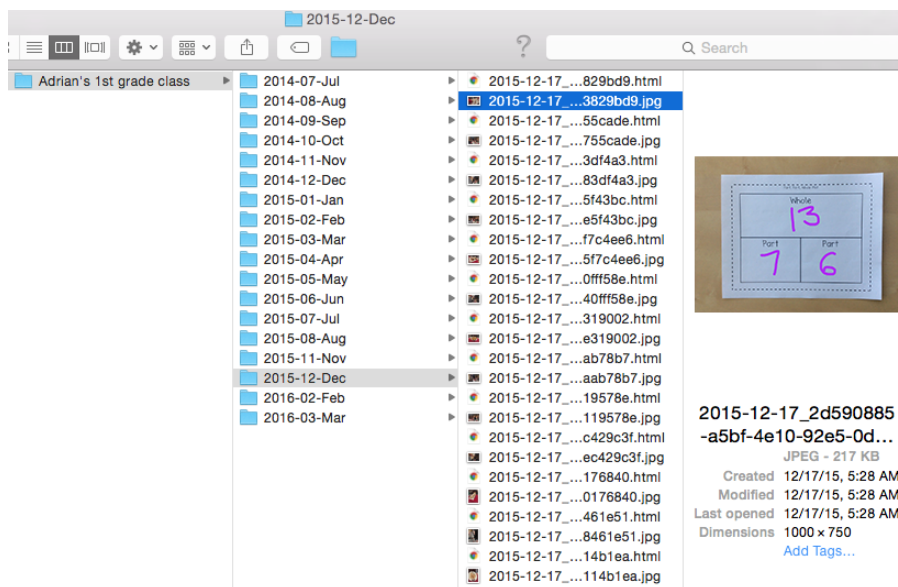
5. Scroll down and click Download Journal Archives.



6. Click the Download Journal button for the journal you want to download. This might take a while depending on your Internet speed and how many posts your child has in Seesaw.



This is what you get! It is organized by month and then ordered by the date the post was added. You'll see an html file with a thumbnail, text notes or captions, folder names and links (if the post used the Link Creative Tool). You'll also see the original image, video or audio files.



MOVING MARCH

Papakowhai School is the Movin' March district winner in the WOW Passport Competition for **highest participation in the Porirua City** area.

To help put that in perspective, here are some quick stats...

- Papakowhai School recorded a total of 6,207 walking and wheeling journeys during Movin' March.
- This reflects a "walk or wheel journey rate per student" of 13.
- Or, to put this another way, there were **13 walking/wheeling trips recorded for every student** at Papakowhai School over the month of March. This was the second overall highest participation rate for the entire Wellington region. Ka pai!

We are also pleased to announce that **Libby Alexander** won the Porirua district prize for the 8 – 10 year old category in the colouring competition! Way to go Libby! Well done parents, teachers and children for your amazing efforts and stellar support of all our Movin' March activities.

Thank you to Jill Clibborn and the Enviro team for helping make this year's campaign such an enormous success!

BOOK CHARACTER DRESS-UP DAY - POSTPONED

This year our Dress-Up day was due be held on Wednesday 29 May but this has had to be postponed as it coincides with the nationwide industrial action by teachers. A date in Term 3 will be announced in due course.

POWHIRI FOR NEW FAMILIES

A powhiri for new families will be held at 9:20am on Thursday of next week, 23rd May.

FREE TYRES

We have some old tyres that are surplus to requirements. If you are interested in taking them, please feel free to collect them from the side of our large rubbish bin at the top of the drive.

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

A flyer has been sent home today about the 2019 discos on Friday 14th June. The junior disco for students from Rata, Matai and Rimu runs from 5 to 6.30 pm and the senior disco for students from Kauri and Totara will run from 7 - 9.00 pm.



Reusable produce bags will also be available soon for sale - \$15 for 5 bags. These are useful for reducing waste and avoiding plastic bags. Keep an eye on the Home and School Facebook page and future newsletters for more information about these activities and how to use the new Kindo payment system.

School hoodie orders are open again until 31 May. Sample sizes and order forms are available at the office and the order form is repeated at the end of this newsletter.

Hoodies are priced at \$55 each. Please ensure all Papakowhai School hats and hoodies are clearly named as it is impossible to return lost items otherwise.

SCHOLASTIC LUCKY BOOK CLUB ORDERS

All Lucky Book Club orders need to be handed in by 3 pm today, Wednesday 15 May. On-line orders can be placed up until midnight tonight.

FOUND – GINGER GUINEA PIG

A short haired ginger guinea pig has been found in Papakowhai. Please contact the office for more details.

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.

SWIM SPORTS FOR RIMU, TOTARA AND KAURI

The swim sports for Rimu (Year 3/4), Totara (Year 5/6 – this includes the Year 6's in Kauri) and Kauri (Year 7/8) will be held at Cannons Creek pool from Week 5 of this term. Year 7/8's will be swimming on Tuesday 28 May, Year 5/6's on Wednesday 5 June and Year 3/4's on Wednesday 12 June. Events will start at 10am on each date.

AOTEA COLLEGE OPEN EVENING

Aotea College are holding their open evening on Wednesday 12 June. There will be 2 sessions; 3.30 – 5 pm and 6 – 7.30 pm. All secondary school age students from within the Aotea College zone have a place at the college as of right, even if they are enrolling from another secondary school.

Due to pressure of numbers, a limit of 10 out of zone places are available for Year 9 enrolments for 2020.

Please note the following important dates for out of zone enrolments for 2020:

Out of zone applications must be received by Monday 29th July 2019 to be included in the ballot.

A ballot, if required, will be held on Friday 9th August. Parents will be notified of results by Wednesday 14th August.

For further information, phone the enrolment officer, Debbie Allan, on 2373166 ext 822 or email

aln@aotea.school.nz

NATHAN WALLIS – ENGAGE YOUR BRAIN

Nathan Wallis, host of the documentary “All in the Mind” and co-host of the TV Series “The Secret life of Girls” is coming to Adventure School, Whitby to give a presentation about play based learning and children's brain

development on Monday 27 May, 7.30 – 9 pm. Tickets will be in demand and are available to purchase from

www.eventfinda.co.nz/2019/engage-your-brain-whitby/porirua-mana

NGATI TOA SEA SCOUTS MOVIE FUNDRAISERS

The Ngati Toa Sea Scouts group, as part of their fundraising to get to this year's jamboree, are holding special screenings of two films at the Lighthouse Cinema, Pauatahanui. On Tuesday 4th June at 8.15 pm there will be a screening of Rocketman (the life story of Elton John) and

on Tuesday 2 July, at 6 pm, Toy Story 4 will be shown. Tickets for each film are \$20 each. To book please email

andycath@gmail.com

SOME IMPORTANT DATES

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

Friday 17	UCCAM entries close
Friday 17	Pink Shirt day
Wednesday 22	Young Leaders Day
Thursday 23	Powhiri, 9.20 am, in school hall.
Tuesday 28	Kauri Swim sports (Year 7/8 only), Cannons Creek pool, from 10 am
Wednesday 29	Nationwide Teachers Strike
Thursday 30	Assembly, 10am, school hall

JUNE

Monday 3	Queen's Birthday – school closed
Monday 4	Teacher Only day – school closed
Wednesday 5	Totara + Kauri Year 6 swim sports, Cannons Creek pool, from 10 am
Wednesday 12	Rimu swim sports, Cannons Creek pool, from 10 am

THE 2019 GREAT KIWI ENGLISH, MATHS AND SCIENCE PAPERS.

The University of Canterbury Centre for Assessment and Monitoring (UCCAM) is again running the Great Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science competitions for Primary, Intermediate and Secondary schools. The online competitions will be completed during the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3. All participating students will be awarded a certificate. The cost is \$9 per competition entered. **Entries for all papers close next Friday, 17 May. The entry fee is \$9 per subject and students must return the signed permission slip, with payment, to sit these papers.**

Please complete the slip and return to the Office. Payment can be made by cash, EFTPOS, cheque or internet banking (please see permission slip for details).

UCCAM ENTRY FORM for Science, English and Maths papers (Year 5-8 students only)

Form and payment to be received by Friday 17 May at latest.

I give permission for my child/ren to participate in the following 2019 UCCAM competitions:

CHILD'S NAME	CLASS	SUBJECT	Fee (\$9)

I enclose \$ _____ (\$9 per subject)

OR

I have paid by EFTPOS on _____

OR

I have paid by internet banking (12-3140-0133108-01) on _____

Please state child's name and 'UCCAM'.

Parent/caregivers signature: _____

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL HOODIE/HAT ORDER FORM
(ORDERS CLOSE FRIDAY 31 MAY)

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'