



## PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 5 ● Term 1 ● 4 March 2020

Tēnā koutou

### **LATEST UPDATES FOR COVID-19**

#### **Travel Restrictions**

The existing travel restrictions for travellers from China and Iran have been extended for a further 7 days. The Prime Minister also announced yesterday that measures are now in place for travellers arriving from Northern Italy and from South Korea. They will be asked to self-isolate for 14 days (calculated from the date they left South Korea or Northern Italy). They are still able to travel to New Zealand; there is no restriction of access to New Zealand for people arriving from these two countries.

#### **Handwashing to prevent spread**

All schools are still in the “Keep it Out” phase of a pandemic plan. The preventative measures the Ministry of Health is encouraging schools to practice are those of good hygiene, which include:

- Washing hands with soap and water (for at least 20 seconds) before and after eating as well as after attending the toilet
- Covering coughs and sneezes with clean tissues or with an elbow
- Putting used tissues in the bin
- Encouraging staff and students to stay home if they are unwell.

#### **Communication**

If the status on pandemic planning changes, it is essential that we can communicate with you. This is how we need you to be connected:

[Weekly newsletter](#) – every Wednesday we send out a school newsletter by email and through our Skool Loop app (full details of this below). The newsletter is also

posted to our website [www.papakowhai.school.nz](http://www.papakowhai.school.nz) If you don't already receive the newsletter this way, please provide an email address to the office to be included in the newsletter group. This group is also used to send out urgent notices and reminders.

Skool Loop App – this is free to download from the App Store (for Apple devices) or from Google play (for Android). Simply search for 'Skool Loop' and choose our school once installed. We use the App to send out notices and our latest newsletter. The app can also be used to return permission slips and view the school events calendar.

SeeSaw - We use Seesaw to share your child's work with you. You will receive a handout, personalised to your child, to enable you to access their work.

You can download the Seesaw 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 have any questions about Seesaw, please email Caine Webster [caine@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:caine@papakowhai.school.nz) or Karen Siwalette [karen@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:karen@papakowhai.school.nz)

## **TRIATHLON**

Thank you so much to Niki Lister, Rose Crawford and the amazing Home and School Committee. What a fantastic event! We had over 150 participants, brilliant weather and wonderful parent support. Thank you to everyone who made it such a great day. Results are in this newsletter!

Ngā mihi nui

Mark Smith

PRINCIPAL

[mark@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:mark@papakowhai.school.nz)

## **BEFORE SCHOOL AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE ABSENCES**

If you are booked into Before School Care and your child won't be attending, you need to text Susan by 6pm the night before.

If your child is booked into after school care and won't be attending you need to let Susan know by 12 noon. to avoid the minimum charge.

Susan's cellphone is 0272339403

## HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Tickets for our speaker Emma Wright on Thursday March 26<sup>th</sup> talking about “**Raising body confident kids**” are now on sale via Kindo

<https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/index.html> The presentation will be held in the hall. This event is open to the public so please let all your friends and family know. Early bird price is \$20, if you order before 13 March. Tickets will be \$25 on the night. More details will be posted on the Facebook event page <https://www.facebook.com/events/2256195761344969/>



**The online payment tool used by the Home and School Committee for events now has an iPhone App** so you can pay when and where it suits you (an Android app is currently being developed).

- Search for “myKindo” on the Apple App Store. Download.
- Sign in with your existing myKindo email and password then set a PIN (you can also use TouchID and FaceID). If you don’t have a myKindo web account, set one up first at [myKindo.co.nz](http://myKindo.co.nz).

With myKindo you can see everything available to pay or purchase for your children at school and click to pay. It’s easy, secure and available 24/7.

Need further help? Call 0508 4KINDO or email [hello@mykindo.co.nz](mailto:hello@mykindo.co.nz) between 8am-4pm on school days.

### **WEET-BIX TRYATHLON..MARQUEE HELPERS NEEDED.**

We are looking for parents that are attending the morning and afternoon Weetbix tryathlon who could take in or bring back the school marquee. If this is you, can you please get in touch with the home and school committee. [Homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:Homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz)

**School hats and hoodies - School hoodie orders close on Friday, 6 March.** Sample sizes are available to try at the office. The order form is at the end of this newsletter or orders can be placed via Kindo. Hoodies are priced at \$55 each. Papakowhai School hats are available to buy from the office all year round at \$22 each. Please ensure all Papakowhai School hats and hoodies are clearly named as it is impossible to return lost items otherwise.

## SCHOOL TRIATHLON - RESULTS

Thanks to all that came and supported the school triathlon this past weekend, all the support from whanau leaders, teachers and parents made for a very successful event. Great to see all the kids giving it a go and having fun! Here are the results:

<b>Boys</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>THIRD</b>
<b>Yr 8</b>	Charlie Thomas	-----	-----
<b>Yr 7</b>	Blake Hansen	Sam Ducker	-----
<b>Yr 6</b>	Leon Thomas	Josh Scott	Josh Siwalette
<b>Yr 5</b>	Dane Hansen	Toryn Hazelhurst	Zach Blundell
<b>Yr 4</b>	Miller Buck	Zac Dilks	Jackson Crawford
<b>Yr 3</b>	Nate Hall	Logan Wilson	Brodie Nikolaison-Rowe
<b>Yr 2</b>	Mason O'Sullivan	Niko Grant	Tristan Forrester
<b>Yr 1</b>	Angus Maitland	Jamie Erskine	Hunter Will

<b>Girls</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>THIRD</b>
<b>Yr 8</b>	Antje Singson	-----	-----
<b>Yr 7</b>	Nadia Wellings	Liandi Fourie	Maddy Hunt
<b>Yr 6</b>	Charlotte Harrison	Olivia Dilks	Zoe Capstick
<b>Yr 5</b>	Zaria Phelps	Lucy Bunton	Tessa Hunt
<b>Yr 4</b>	Emma Harrison	Milah Un	Teagan Vos
<b>Yr 3</b>	Julia Tompson	Harper Black	Courtney Higham
<b>Yr 2</b>	Milan Vos	Sophie Harding	Sophie Dilks
<b>Yr 1</b>	Skylar Scott	Amy Vos	Kailyn Esterhuizen

## MOVIN' MARCH

Please keep walking, cycling and scootering to school to get those stamps on your WOW passports! Completed passports can be popped into the box in the office and a new one picked up. Colouring competition entries can be placed in their box in the office too!

## **TAWA JUNIOR HOCKEY REGISTRATIONS OPEN**

Registrations for Kiwi Hockey 2020 are now open. Please fill in this form <https://forms.gle/Fe8DzidHNf7uuxrPA>  
Registrations will close at the end of term 1

Any questions, please email [info@tawajuniorhockey.org.nz](mailto:info@tawajuniorhockey.org.nz)

## **PAREPLIM JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB 2020 REGISTRATIONS**

Registrations have opened for junior players for the 2020 rugby season. Please register on-line at <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/104123>, then head along to the clubrooms on one of the following dates to weigh-in and collect your jersey: Saturday 14 March, 12 noon – 3pm (official opening day of new clubrooms), Thursday 19 March 5.30 – 7.30pm or Wednesday 25 March, 5.30 – 19.30pm ('Canes at the club' night). For more information follow their Facebook page 'PPRFC' Group or email [juniorconvener@pareplimrugby.co.nz](mailto:juniorconvener@pareplimrugby.co.nz)

## **PAUATAHANUI INLET PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP**

The 20th annual Photo Competition run by the Guardians of Pāuatahanui Inlet (GOPI) is now under way. To encourage young photographers to enter, a free photography workshop is being offered on Sunday 15th March (postponement day 22nd March). The workshop is open to anyone under the age of 18. It will be taught by Destina Munro, photojournalism tutor at Whitireia and former president of the Kapiti Camera Club.

All that the participants need to bring is a camera they are familiar with, a bottle of water and appropriate clothes (it can be muddy). We will gather at Pāuatahanui Wildlife Reserve Stout Cottage from 4 pm for about three hours.

For practical reasons, participation numbers will to be limited to 20.

Registration is essential. You will find the registration form on the website [www.gopi.org.nz](http://www.gopi.org.nz) Should you need to contact a member of the GOPI committee, phone 04 234 1336, or email [pauainlet@gmail.com](mailto:pauainlet@gmail.com)

## **WELLINGTON REGION WASTE FREE WORKSHOPS**

Kate Meads is a waste educator and inspirational speaker who is coming to the Wellington Region this March & April to present her Waste Free Parenting and Living Workshops.

These workshops are supported by your local council, and are a great opportunity to become educated and activated on reducing waste from all angles.

Attendees get a gift pack with their ticket, that is worth between \$60 and \$100 and is full of waste minimisation products like cloth nappies, food pouches and wraps, and more depending on the content of the workshop.

**Porirua Waste Free Living Workshop, Te Rauparaha Arena, 17 Parumoana St, Porirua - Mana, Friday 3 April, 6:00pm – 8:30pm**

*Booking page: Porirua WFL:*

<https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2020/waste-free-living-workshop/porirua-mana>

*Facebook Event: Porirua WFL:*

<https://www.facebook.com/events/323722775258372/>

## **HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES**

**Tawa Recreation Centre April School Holiday Programme  
Registrations are open 3 March!**

Tawa Recreation Centre has your child care covered for the upcoming school holidays. Your Tamariki will be learning about first aid, taking part in an amazing race, baking ANZAC biscuits, having EGGstra Easter fun and playing a range of sport, to name a few.

Click here <https://wellington.govt.nz/recreation/stuff-for-kids/school-holidays> to register. Contact us 232 2260 for more information.

## SOME IMPORTANT DATES

### **MARCH Movin'March runs from 2 – 31st**

<b>Monday 9 - Wednesday 11 inc</b>	Year 7 & 8 students at camp in Kaitoke, Upper Hutt
<b>Tuesday 10</b>	BOT meeting, 7pm
<b>Monday 16</b>	Vision and Hearing screening for NE and Year 7
<b>Wednesday 18</b>	Aotea Lagoon picnic
<b>Tuesday 24</b>	Year 1&2 Swim sports
<b>Tuesday 24</b>	Rippa Rugby tournament
<b>Thursday 26</b>	Raising Body Confident Kids talk
<b>Monday 30</b>	Papakowhai School Cross Country

**PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL HOODIE/HAT ORDER FORM**  
**(ORDERS CLOSE FRIDAY 6 MARCH)**

STUDENT NAME/S AND CLASS/ES

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PARENTS NAME AND CONTACT NUMBER

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

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