

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Week 9 Term 2 10th June 2020

Kia ora Koutou

MOVING TO LEVEL 1

Thank you again for all your support throughout Levels 4, 3 and 2. It is so good being back at Level 1!

All parents and caregivers are welcome into the school grounds and classrooms to drop off children before 9am or collect children at 3pm. You do not need to sign in at the office unless you are in the school grounds at other times.

From today all children will finish at 3pm.

If your child is sick, they should stay home (phone Healthline or their GP and get tested if they have cold or flu symptoms). If you or your pre-school children are sick, please do not come into the school grounds.

We are looking forward to planning events for our whole school with parent involvement. See details in this week's newsletter and in the next few weeks.

LIBRARY RELOCATION

This year our school has had an unprecedented number of New Entrants starting school. Our projected roll for 2020 is 560 pupils by the end of the year. Over 10 years we have successfully managed roll growth to limit the impact on children and staff and to continue to operate in a way that meets the aspirations of our community.

To manage our current roll growth issues we have agreed with the Ministry of Education to convert our current library into a two classroom teaching space.

We will remove the attached toilet block to create a new cloak bay and wet area, install a new heat pump, replace wall linings, lighting and floor coverings and do an electrical upgrade.

We will also convert the current prefab Rata 5 into a temporary library by relining the walls, fixing shelving, adding a heat pump and replacing some floor coverings. The outside cubby holes will be replaced with a reading seat.

Three unisex toilet cubicles will be added to the end of the Rata toilet block for our senior students to use.

Work on this project will start on Monday 15th June. The library is unfortunately closing from today until the end of term.

What is currently the library will be ready for occupancy as a New Entrant class on Monday 20th July. Children currently in Rata 5 will move to their new building on the first day of Term 3. There may be some finishing details on the work but it will be safe and ready for the children to use.

We are also hoping that our temporary library will be ready to restock with books from Monday 20th July. We are anticipating the re-opening of the library will be in week 2 of Term 3.

The toilet block extension will be added during Term 3.

Thank you for your patience while this work is carried out.

Ngā mihi Mark Smith PRINCIPAL mark@papakowhai.school.nz

SUBWAY ORDERS

Friday Subway orders are again available. School orders are placed online at www.subwayexpress.co.nz through the School Lunch programme.

SCHOOL SPORTS UPDATE

Yay for alert level 1!! This means that we are all go for sports to return to school.

These are the sporting opportunities that will be available in Terms 3 & 4:

Cross Country:

- Papakowhai School cross country Monday 29th
 June. More details to follow
- Parumoana cross country, Years 4 8 Tuesday 18th August
- Regional cross country, Years 4 8 Tuesday 8th September

Swimming:

- Parumoana Year 5 & 6 swimming sports Thursday
 27th August
- Parumoana Year 7 & 8 swimming sports Thursday 3rd September
- We will hold trials for student who are interested in being considered for the Papakowhai swim teams

Ngati Toa Netball:

Years 5 - 8, begins Saturday 25th July

YMCA Junior Sports Leagues:

- Term 3 Futsal, years 1 8
- Term 4 Miniball & Basketball, years 1 8
- More information about these leagues will be available in the next few days

Aotea Sports (Ki o Rahi & Turbo Touch):

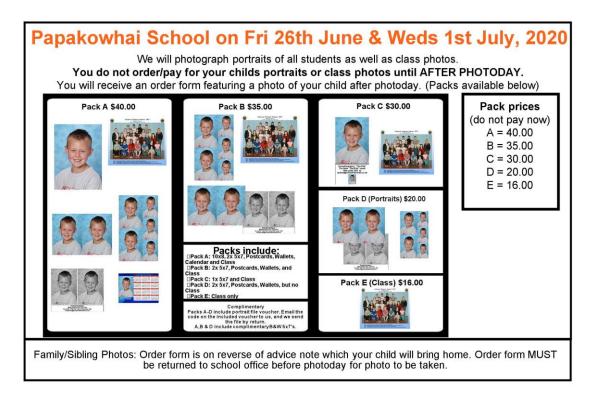
- Years 5 8
- Early Term 4 (dates to be confirmed)

Athletics:

- Papakowhai School (Year 5 8) athletics date to be confirmed
- Parumoana athletics Tuesday 10th November
- Regional athletics Tuesday 1st December

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Rata 1 – 4, Matai and Totara will have their class and individual photographs taken on Friday 26 June; Rimu and Kauri classes will be photographed on Wednesday 1 July. Rata 5 will have their photographs taken at the end of Term 3, on Wednesday 23 September.



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE IS OPERATING!

Our Before and After School Care services are now fully operational again. If you are wanting to return to using these services, if not already back, please contact Susan on 0272339403 and advise of the details of days/ hours etc. If you haven't used the service previously and want to enrol please collect an enrolment form from the school office.

CHESS CLUB

Good news - chess club will start again this Thursday in Totara 2 at lunchtimes. For those who enrolled for Term one, you can continue to come for the rest of this term. Your Term one fees will cover this term. If you paid for the full year we will be in contact with you separately. We will be seeking enrolments for Term 3 at the end of term. If your child is interested please email shauna@papakowhai.school.nz

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The committee were once again able to meet last week We would like to welcome back Rose Crawford as Chairperson again this year. Joining her on the committee are Bernice Herd (Secretary), Peta Anderson (Treasurer), Brooke Fryer (all things social media), Suzanne Taylor (Donations coordinator). Our next meeting is Monday 27th July if you'd like to come and see what we get up to. We welcome seeing new faces, and our motto is "do what you can when you can".

Events update:

Unfortunately, some of the events we hoped to host this year have had to been postponed till next year. This includes the clothing grab which we will hold in Term one 2021, and our quiz. However, we will be able to run the following community building events.

Calendar Art: You will be able to order your calendar art towards the end of term on Kindo. The kids are working on their art which will be posted on Seesaw for you to see. Orders will be delivered in Term 3 in plenty of time for Christmas gifts!

Body Confidence talk: This has been rescheduled for the evening of Thursday 29 October.

Disco: To celebrate being out of lockdown the school Disco will go ahead so save the date – Friday 28 August. More details, including the theme, will follow soon.

End of year BBQ: save the date Wednesday 9th December.

There has also been interest in setting up a buy/swap for the school hoodies. We are investigating the best way to facilitate this.

To stay up to date on progress we recommend you like our Facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/PapakowhaiHomeandSchool/ or email us and ask to be put on the friends of home and school email list homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz

MOVIN'MARCH WINNER!

Congratulations to Rose Crawford who was the winner of Jack's Favourite Friday Photo competition in the final week of Movin' March. Rose was delighted with her win and said that her two children scootered every day to school in Term 1. Rose noticed that it all kicked off during last year's Movin'March when Papakowhai School came on board for the first time. "There are lots of families that walk and scooter from Aotea to Papakowhai School now and Movin'March has been a great catalyst. I've really noticed how my kids' confidence has grown every year"



AOTEA COLLEGE OPEN EVENING FOR 2021 STUDENTS

Aotea College are holding their open evening, for students who wish to enrol in 2021, on Thursday 18 June. There are 2 sessions; 3.30 – 5pm and the second from 5.30 – 7pm. Please ensure you enrol as soon as possible as this helps them to ensure correct staffing levels.

Out of zone applications MUST be received by Monday 27th July to be included in the ballot. The ballot will be held on Friday 7th August and parents will be notified of the results by Wednesday 12th August.

Enrolment interviews will commence in August. For further information, please phone the enrolments officer Debbie Allan on 04 237 3166 ext 414.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Winter Holiday Programme @ Postgate School 6 – 17 July 2020



They are back! Due to building works at Adventure School we are at a new location – POSTGATE SCHOOL! Two

weeks of popular and exciting activities await your child (e.g. trip to Awesome Bounce, HV Gymastics, Rollerskating, Iceskating and much more).

BOOK ONLINE NOW: www.asfc.co.nz or for more information e-mail office@asfc.co.nz or call 027-454-6975.

SOME IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

Thursday 18	Year 8's - Aotea College open evening
Friday 26	Rata, Matai and Totara photo day
Monday 29	Papakowhai School cross country

JULY

Wednesday 1	Rimu and Kauri photo day
Friday 3	Last day of Term 2
Monday 20	First day of Term 3
Monday 27	Home and School committee meeting, 7 pm, in the
	staffroom