

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Week 12 Term 2 1st July 2020

Kia ora Koutou

I want to wish you all a happy and safe holiday. The Easter holidays were unusual to say the least, so I hope you get a chance to take a break and recharge with your family over the next couple of weeks. I know that our staff and children are all ready for a holiday.

Thank you again for all your support during this first half of the year. I look forward to a more connected and straightforward second half of the year.

Please remember we do have building work on the library, Rata toilet block and Rata 5 over the school holidays. It will be important that if children come to play at school over the holidays that they are accompanied by an adult.

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

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

We have rescheduled the cross country races for Week 2 of Term 3, on Monday 27 July (with a postponement date of Tuesday 28th July). The programme will be printed in the first newsletter of next term.

RETURNING LIBRARY BOOKS

There is a blue box in the school office, marked 'Returns', for children to place their library books if they would like to bring them back before our library re-opens next term.

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Order forms for calendar art have been given out today! Orders need to be placed via Kindo before Friday 31 July – please check that your child's class is correctly listed. Your child's art work is on their Seesaw page. We have some samples of the different products at the office if you would like to see them.



Kindo, the online platform that the committee uses for ticket sales and other purchasing related to events, now has an app for Android phone users, called myKindo, available for download.

Save the date! The 2020 Papakowhai School discos will be held on Friday 28th August, with a "Movies" theme. There will be separate discos on the night for junior and senior students. More information will come at the start of next term.

Our usual mobile EFTPOS machine is no longer available, so we are looking for a mobile EFTPOS solution for our school events (this year it is the Disco and BBQ). If there are any parents who have connections in the EFTPOS world to help us source one for a great rate could you please contact Rose or Bernice at homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz Much appreciated!!

MOVIN' MARCH SUCCESSES!!

We are holding a hui tomorrow, Thursday 2 July, at 9.10am to celebrate Papakowhai School's success during Movin' March. Congratulations to everyone - students, staff and families of Papakowhai School - as we won a Community Award for reaching the highest number of walk and wheel trips over March 2020 for the Porirua area!! We also have some students that have won other prizes but we're keeping their names a secret for now!! All will be revealed by the senior enviro leaders on Thursday!!

HAPPY PLASTIC FREE JULY FROM THE ENVIRO CREW! Be a Refill Station for Plastic Free July over the holidays.

It's Plastic Free July and RefillNz are hosting an online Rubbish Challenge! Using the very easy app Litterati App to photograph, dispose of and tag the litter you see on the streets, in the bush, parks etc. Download the app from the App Store or Google Play Store

How it Works:

- Download the Litterati app
- Follow the prompt upon opening to enter a challenge code: North Island: REFILLNTH South Island: REFILLNZST
- Photograph a piece of litter
- Discard properly and tag the photo
- The app automatically geo-tags the image and the Litterati tool recommends tags for what type of litter it is
- Then all the rubbish you photograph throughout plastic free July will count towards the challenge

We can't wait to see the impact we make together!!

LOST PROPERTY

A reminder that we now have 2 clothes rails at the office where we are placing unnamed items. If your child has lost anything recently, please ask them to come in and have a look. Unclaimed items that have been here for more than 2 weeks will be donated to a local charity shop as we have very limited storage space for lost property. Please name items as we can then easily return them to your child.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

Winter Holiday Programme @ Postgate School 6 – 17 July 2020



They are back! Due to building works at Adventure School they 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.

A HOLIDAY PROGRAMME FOR LITTLE ROCKSTARS!



YUMMY WINTER MARSHMALLOWS AT STAGLANDS!

They've gone mad for marshmallows again this winter and for a limited period only, during the July School Holidays, Staglands will be giving them away FREE to all visitors!

Toast your own on the cosy Barn campfire and enjoy some wild cooking in the great outdoors. For more information visit their website www.staglands.co.nz

SOME IMPORTANT DATES

JULY – Plastic Free July!

Thursday 2	Hui to celebrate Movin' March, 9.10am, in the hall
Friday 3	Last day of Term 2
Monday 20	First day of Term 3
Monday 27	Papakowhai School cross country
Monday 27	Home and School committee meeting, 7 pm, in the staffroom
Tuesday 28	Papakowhai School cross country postponement day
Tuesday 28	BOT meeting, 7 pm, staffroom
Friday 31	Last day for Calendar Art orders via Kindo

AUGUST

Friday 27	'Movie' disco night in school hall
•	9