



PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 1 Term 3 22nd July 2020

Kia ora Koutou

Keeping Ourselves Safe

During Term 3 students will be participating in the Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme. Keeping Ourselves Safe [KOS] consists of a comprehensive range of child protection resources to help students learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others. The programme is delivered by classroom teachers with in class support from our Community Police Constable - Susan Bush. Susan will be here at school to support teachers and students during weeks 5, 6 & 7. For more information, you can access all the [KOS resources](#) here, or see the [frequently asked questions](#).

What will students learn during the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme?

They will learn:

- To work out when their safety is at risk, for example walking home alone in the dark;
- How to keep safe when they meet and mix with other people;
- Who and how to ask for help if they, or someone they know, is being abused;
- To go on asking for help until someone does something to stop the abuse;
- That it is important to make and follow personal, family and school safety rules.

- They will know that abuse is never okay and that abuse is never their fault.

If you have any further questions regarding the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme, please feel free to contact either myself or your child's classroom teacher.

Caine Webster

Deputy Principal

caine@papakowhai.school.nz

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

The rescheduled cross country races will take place next Monday, 27 July (postponement day - Tuesday 28). You are most welcome to come and join us. The start/finish line is on the school field and runners will do varying courses around the school grounds. Rug up warmly if you are coming as a spectator!

All children from Years 1 - 8 will participate. They will need suitable clothes and shoes for running, as well as a warm jacket and drink bottle.

Race order and approximate times

Time	Race group
9.30am	Year 8 Girls
9.40am	Year 8 Boys
9.50am	Year 7 Girls
10.00am	Year 7 Boys
10.10am	Year 6 Girls
10.20am	Year 6 Boys
10.30am	Year 5 Girls
10.40am	Year 5 Boys
11.00-11:20 am	Morning tea
11.35am	Year 4 Girls
11.45am	Year 4 Boys
11:55am	Year 3 Girls
12:05pm	Year 3 Boys
12.15pm	Year 2 Girls
12.20pm	Year 2 Boys
12.25pm	Year 1 Girls
12.30pm	Year 1 Boys

BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE RE SCHOOL ZONE

Eldest and only children have been given a Board of Trustees newsletter to bring home today outlining proposed changes to our current school enrolment zone. Feedback on these changes needs to be sent to the Board, by email bot@papakowhai.school.nz, prior to Monday 10 August.

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Calendar Art - Orders need to be placed via Kindo, kindo.co.nz, 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.



School hat and hoodie orders - School hoodie orders are open until Friday 14 August. Sample sizes are available to try on at the office. Orders can be placed via Kindo or a form is available at the office. 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.

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 soon!.

AOTEA COLLEGE ~ OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS

The closing date for out of zone applications is next Monday, 27th July 2020. All out of zone enrolment applications MUST be at the college by this date to be included in the ballot which will be held on Friday 7th August. If you have any questions, please contact the enrolments officer, Debbie Allen, on aln@aotea.school.nz

MOVIN' MARCH AWARDS!

Greater Wellington Councilor Jenny Brash and Travel Choice Coordinator at Greater Wellington Kirsty Barr visited Papakowhai School last term to present Movin' March WOW Passport winners Adam Dai and Adrian Grey with a \$400 MYRIDE voucher each courtesy of My Ride and Greater Wellington. Other winners on the day were Sophie Harding and Amelie Chartrand, who took out prizes for Movin' March district art challenges. Mrs C collected an award on behalf of the school for achieving the Porirua region's highest participation.

"It's a great award for a school that is really committed to the many benefits of active travel," says Cr Brash.

Our students recorded a massive 4278 walking and wheeling trips for just three weeks in March which equates to eight trips per student. This was not only the highest recorded for the Porirua area, but the third highest in the whole region!

"If every trip is around 500 m, that's 2139 kms or like walking from Wellington to Auckland – four times", says Cr Brash.



PAREMATA PLIMMERTON JUNIOR RUGBY FUNDRAISER

In September a number of Papakowhai students who play rugby for Paremata Plimmerton Rugby club will be attending a national rugby tournament in Taupō. To help with the cost of travel and accommodation these students will be selling ice blocks and pizza during Wednesday lunchtimes.

What and when:

- Ice Blocks - \$2.00
- Slice of Pizza - \$2.00
- Wednesday 29 July, Wednesday 12 August, and Wednesday 26 August

More details about how to order will come out soon.

ELECTIONS

Papakowhai School will be a voting centre for the upcoming elections in September. We have been asked to share this message with you by the Advance Voting Manager:

"We need people from your school community to work on these days, so if you would be able to let your school community know we would love to hear from them. The link for online applications can be found here: <https://elections.nz/jobs>"



**ARTY
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KIDS LTD**

Mark Making for Kids

Sunday Art Class
Starting 9th August
@ 2.00pm - 3.30pm

Held at St Mary's Anglican Church, Whitby

For more details contact Sara Rich
office.artyfartykids@gmail.com

SPOTLIGHT PERFORMING ARTS

FREE TRIAL SESSION Monday 27th July
3:45pm-5:45pm

**Dance, Drama and Singing for students aged
7-16 yrs old.**

**Located at Aotea College, Okowai Road.
Limited space for the free trial so book your
child's place now!**

www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz



SOME IMPORTANT DATES

JULY – Plastic Free July!

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

Monday 10	Cut off for feedback to BOT re zoning changes
Friday 27	'Movie' disco night in school hall