

**PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**  
Week 2 Term 4 21<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Kia ora koutou

**OUR MAJOR PRODUCTION**  
**"THE THEATRE OF GOLD"**  
**WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> AND**  
**THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

The School Major Production "The Theatre of Gold" is on at Aotea College Te Manawa Auditorium on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November. There will be a 5pm and a 7pm show each night- so four shows in total!



The story is about a group of children preventing the baddies from closing down the local cinema. They travel through the movies and time and save the day! **All children in Years 2- 8 are performing** in professionally choreographed dances linked to the movies the children travel through. **Rata children are not in the production.**

We are pre-recording the acting and this will be projected on the big screen. **The class dances will all be live.**

If we move to Covid Alert Level 2 – 4 we will video all the dances at school, combine them with the acting and present the entire production as a video.

**Buy your tickets today! Tickets cost \$12.50 each and are limited to four per family until Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November. You can buy four for one show or purchase a total of four tickets across a combination of shows.**

**From the 11<sup>th</sup> of November tickets will be unlimited.**

**There will be no door sales on the nights.**

**Click the link below to buy your tickets now:**

<https://forms.gle/2GtnXp7ryLdvDqx99>

<b>Performing at <u>both</u> the 5pm and 7pm shows on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Performing at <u>both</u> the 5pm and 7pm shows on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November</b>
Matai 1	Matai 2
Matai 3	Rimu 5
Rimu 1	Rimu 2
Rimu 3	Rimu 4
Totara 1	Totara 3
Totara 2	Totara 4
Kauri 1	Kauri 2
Kauri 3	Kauri 4

Actors need to have all costumes and lines learnt by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October ready for filming on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Please contact [andrew@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:andrew@papakowhai.school.nz) or [gael@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:gael@papakowhai.school.nz) for more details.**

Dance costumes need to be finished and at school before Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November. **Contact your child's teacher if you are unsure what is required. Please note some classes may have an earlier deadline.**

All Year 2- 8 classes will be practising at Aotea College on the morning of Tuesday November 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Wednesday night classes will also be practising at Aotea College on the morning of Wednesday November 18<sup>th</sup>.

The Thursday night classes will also be practising at Aotea College on the morning of Thursday November 19<sup>th</sup>.

**There will be more details about practises and transport in next week's newsletter.**

Children will be dropped off on the night at 4pm at the Aotea College Gym. Children will stay at Aotea College between performances and can be collected at 8:30pm from the gym following the second show.

**There will be more information about logistics on the nights over the coming weeks.**

If you have any questions or comments about the show please feel free to contact [mark@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:mark@papakowhai.school.nz)

### **REPORTING TO PARENTS**

On Friday you should have received your child's Term 4 report for 2020. If you did not receive your child's report please contact [caine@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:caine@papakowhai.school.nz) Reports for Kauri 3 were delayed. These will be emailed after Labour Weekend.

Ngā mihi

Mark Smith

Principal

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### **LABOUR DAY – MONDAY 26 OCTOBER**

A reminder that school will be closed on Monday, 26 October, for the Labour Day public holiday.

### **PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL SPEECH FINALS**

The Papakowhai School Speech Finals take place this year in Week 5 on Monday 9 November. The Year 5/6 finals start at 9:15 in the hall and the Year 7/8 finals at 11:30. Parents and whanau are very welcome to attend. A winner from each of these finals will then go through to the Parumoana Finals, taking place on Friday 27 November.

### **PARKING NEAR THE SCHOOL FOR OUR EVENTS**

We would like to remind parents that the parking outside the shops is not for school drop off and pick-ups. Also, please do not park outside the hairdresser or dairy for school events; please respect that these parks are for customers.

### **2021 SCHOOL CAMP FOR YEAR 7 & 8 STUDENTS**

The return forms need to be back to school by Friday, 23 October. If you did not receive the notices, please collect copies from the school office.

## **SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**

The latest Book Club brochures were handed out this week. Orders can only be made online using the Scholastic LOOP system at [scholastic.co.nz/LOOP](http://scholastic.co.nz/LOOP) or by downloading the app from the App Store or Google Play. We no longer accept cash payments at the office.

If the order is a gift, please select the parcel icon when placing your order and your books will be kept at the office for you to collect.

This will be the last order placed before Christmas.

## **TEACHER ONLY DAY – MONDAY 30 NOVEMBER**

School will be closed on **Monday 30 November** for a Teacher Only day. Please note this in your diaries. **Before and After School care will still operate as normal. There will also be child care at school made available between 9 - 3pm.** The cost for this will be \$25 per child for 6 hours' care. More details will follow soon.

## **MONIES RAISED ON PINK SHIRT DAY**

Thank you to everyone who wore something pink last Friday and brought a donation for the Mental Health Foundation of New Zealand. It was a fantastic day and we raised the grand total of \$553.90

## **DONATING PRE-LOVED BICYCLES**

We are happy to accept donations of any pre-loved bikes that might be gathering dust at home. The bikes need to be in reasonable condition and an appropriate size for 5 – 13 year olds. All donated bikes will go through a safety check before they are used. If you have any queries please contact Caine, [caine@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:caine@papakowhai.school.nz)

## **BE SUNSMART**



This term all children need a brimmed hat. Children with fair skin should also apply sunscreen before school or keep some in their bags. Students need to wear clothing that covers their shoulders and midriff. We encourage all children to have a water bottle at school. Jandals are not appropriate for school.

## HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

### RAISING BODY CONFIDENT KIDS TALK

Thursday October 29<sup>th</sup>, 7-8.30 pm, Papakowhai School Hall. Tickets are available on Kindo @ \$25 per person. If your child has ever told you they don't like their body or you're worried about their weight but don't want to cause body image issues - you're not alone.

Papakowhai School has secured Family Body Confidence Consultant Emma Wright to talk to our community about raising body-confident kids.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/345499423125504/>



### SCHOOL DISCO....Friday 30 October 2020

Rata, Matai and Rimu – 5 to 6.30 pm, Totara and Kauri – 7 – 9pm. Tickets, merchandise and pizza can be ordered on Kindo app. Pizza orders will need to be made by Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October at the latest. We need parent help to make this event a success so please indicate your offer to help when purchasing tickets.

### BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE - BYOD - 2021

In 2021 all students in Years 6 to 8 will be working in a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) environment. Totara syndicate will be a blend of school devices and BYOD. Year 5 children will only use school provided devices. All Year 6 children, regardless of their syndicate, will be BYOD. Our recommendation is that Year 6 children bring a Chromebook to use at school. Chromebooks are much easier to manage and maintain (digitally and physically). Year 7 and 8 children have more flexibility in the type of device they choose.

Chromebook recommendations:

- Most brands of Chromebooks on the market have very similar specifications and are equally as good as each other. This makes it easier to shop around.
- The brand we purchase as school devices are Hewlett Packard (HP), 11.6" Display, 4GB RAM and 32GB Memory.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to email Caine Webster - [caine@papakowhai.school.nz](mailto:caine@papakowhai.school.nz)

## SOME IMPORTANT DATES

### OCTOBER

<b>Monday 26</b>	<b>Labour Day public holiday – school closed</b>
<b>Wednesday 28</b>	BOT meeting, 7 pm, staffroom
<b>Thursday 29</b>	Body Confidence talk in the school hall, 7 – 8.30 pm
<b>Friday 30</b>	School discos – ‘Movie’ theme

### NOVEMBER

<b>Monday 9</b>	Papakowhai School speech finals
<b>Wednesday 11</b>	Year 8 – second Gardasil vaccinations
<b>Wednesday 18</b>	School production, Auditorium at Aotea College
<b>Thursday 19</b>	School production, Auditorium at Aotea College
<b>Friday 27</b>	Parumoana Speech Finals
<b>Monday 30</b>	<b>Teacher Only Day</b> – school closed but childcare available at school. BSC and ASC will be operating.

### DECEMBER

<b>Wednesday 9</b>	End of year BBQ
<b>Tuesday 15</b>	Leavers Assembly at 11 am. School closes at 1pm today – no ASC.

**TERM AND PUBLIC HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2021**

<b>TERM</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>FINISH</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAYS</b>
<b>1</b>	Thursday 4 February	Friday 16 April	Waitangi Day – observed Monday 8 February  Easter – Good Friday 2 April, Easter Monday 5 April and Easter Tuesday 6 April (a school holiday) <b>NB Easter is during term time this year</b>  School holiday includes ANZAC day, 25 April
<b>2</b>	Monday 3 May	Friday 9 July	Queen’s birthday, Monday 7 June
<b>3</b>	Monday 26 July	Friday 1 October	
<b>4</b>	Monday 18 October	Thursday 16 December	Labour Day, Monday 25 October