

PAPAKOWHAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
Week 11 ● Term 1 ● 14 April 2021

Kia ora koutou

FUN RUN



We had such a happy time yesterday at the fun run. The level of participation by students, parents and teachers was awesome. Thank you to Anne Bunton our main event organiser and to everyone involved in making it a really special day.

REPORTING TO PARENTS

Reports will be finalised over the school holidays and emailed to parents on Friday 7th May. If you have changed your email address and have not let the office know please update your details by contacting office@papakowhai.school.nz

PARENT/CAREGIVER TEACHER MEETINGS

Teachers will be available to discuss your child's progress on Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th May. School will finish at 3pm as normal on both days.

Individual appointments will be available from 3:15 - 8pm on the Monday and 3:15 - 6pm on the Tuesday. Each appointment is 15 minutes.

To make an appointment go to: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the code ts9m5.

You will be sent an email confirming your booking details. You can change or cancel your booking at any time up until the 10th of May. If you are not able to make a booking online, please phone the school office on 233 8321.

There will be more information about reports and the parent/caregiver teacher meetings in the first newsletter of next term.

Ngā mihi

Mark Smith
Principal
mark@papakowhai.school.nz

WHANAU HUI

The first whanau hui of 2021 will be held tomorrow, Thursday 15 April, from 6 – 7.30pm in the staffroom. Please email Caine caine@papakowhai.school.nz or call the office on 233 8321 if you intend to come along as we will be providing light refreshments.

HAY FOR SALE!

The 6 bales of hay that were used for yesterday's fun run are available to purchase for a small donation. They would be perfect to use for rabbits or guinea pigs or even the in garden. Please contact the office if you are interested, office@papakowhai.school.nz

LOST PROPERTY

The lost property was put out on Monday for the children to check through but hardly anything was collected. The items will be out again tomorrow so please ask your child/ren to have a look; there are lots of hoodies, plus some towels and togs. All named items have been returned. In the office we have a black satin bomber jacket with a reversible fur lining. If this is your child's, please send them to the office to tell us what colour the fur lining is.

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SECRETARY WANTED! We are looking for a someone to take over the secretary role: creating the agenda, taking minutes at meetings, keep an eye on the emails and ensuring the newsletter gets updated when needed. It's a small time commitment, just a few hours a month. If you think you have what it takes, contact us via our Facebook page or email homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz

UPCOMING EVENTS – save the date!

Home and School committee meeting: Monday 10

May, 7pm, in the staffroom.

Our Kids Online - Cyber Safety Talk: Wednesday 9 June 7pm. More details to follow soon in the newsletter and on the Facebook page.

School Discos: Friday 18 June 2021.

SEEKING SPONSORSHIP

Our senior netball team, Papakowhai Nga Whetu, are going to the AIMS games in Tauranga in September. The Anchor AIMS Games is an inter-school sporting competition where thousands of 11 to 13-year-olds compete in a variety of individual and team sports. Our team needs to fully self-fund this week long trip to Tauranga and would love any support for this. If you, or someone you know, would like to provide sponsorship for the team please get in touch with Natalie Fountain at natfountain@gmail.com

2021 GREAT KIWI COMPETITIONS

The University of Canterbury Centre for Assessment and Monitoring (UCCAM) is again running the great Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science competitions for Primary, Intermediate and Secondary schools. The online competitions will be completed during the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3. All participating students will be awarded a certificate. Entries for all papers close on Friday 7 May. The entry fee is \$9.50 per paper and students must return the signed permission slip at the end of this newsletter, with payment, to enter these competitions. Please complete the form and return to the Office. Payment can be made by cash, EFTPOS, or internet banking (details on permission slip).

KIDS CLOTHING SWAP

Plimmerton School PTA invite you to a Kids Clothes Swap fundraiser on Saturday 8th of May at 2pm. Please see their PTA Facebook page for more details https://www.facebook.com/events/386916452275108

To reserve tickets forms.gle/SrTWckXXPiWk1Znz7

They would appreciate your support; buy a ticket, bring a group of friends, share on Facebook. For further information contact plimschoolkidsclothesswap@gmail.com

STAGLANDS WILD TRAIL CHALLENGE

The Trail Challenge is back for the April school holidays! Kids who complete it will get a free kids' meal! If they complete the bonus tasks too they'll be entered to win a \$200 value Staglander Family Pass! The Challenge will be running throughout the April school holidays so make a date with your friends and whanau and join in the fun! Conditions apply. Find out more and download the Challenge Sheet from their website www.staglands.co.nz

HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

FREE GIRLS CRICKET PROGRAMME

Shift and Cricket Wellington are running a free holiday programme, for Year 7 - 9 girls, in Porirua. The programme takes place on April 19th & 20th at Rangikura School, Ascot Park from 10am – 1pm. There are limited places available so, to register, please email frances@cricketwellington.co.nz

THE ACADEMY Dance & Stage School



Book now - admin@theacademy.dance SING-DANCE-ACT-GAMES-ACRO-ARTS-FUNTIMES

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED EVERYONE WELCOME

FTER SCHOOL

AUTUMN HOLIDAY PROGRAMME @ ADVENTURE SCHOOL from 19 - 30 Apr 2021

2 weeks of popular and exciting activities await your child (e.g. Trip to Southward Car Museum, Laserforce, Movies and more).

BOOK ONLINE at www.asfc.co.nz For more information e-mail holprog@asfc.co.nz or call 027-454-6975. Opening times are 7.30 am – 5 / 5.30pm. Children from all schools are welcome!

SPOTLIGHT PERFORMING ARTS – TERM 2 CLASSES



DRAMA CLASSES

Helen O'Grady Drama Academy Their international curriculum will help explore performance skills and creativity, overcome shyness, develop positive selfesteem, grow imagination, make new friends and have lots of fun. Fun after-school classes for 5 – 17 year olds held in Khandallah, Tawa, Whitby, Lower Hutt. To enroll or for more information please phone 0800 161 131 or visit www.helenogradynz.co.nz

FUN STICKS 2021

An 8 week programme, starting on Saturday 8 May, designed for children in **Years 1 – 2** as an introduction to hockey. Costs \$60 for all 8 sessions

What: The programme offers a fun and interactive introduction to hockey and is a great opportunity for children looking at getting into the sport. Fun Sticks has a focus on developing fundamental skills and offers a positive and quality coaching environment for all.

Where and when:

Kelburn Normal School, Karori; Tuesdays 4 - 5pm

Elsdon Turf; Wednesdays 4 - 5pm

National Hockey Stadium, Wellington; Saturdays 10 - 11am

Fraser Park, Lower Hutt; Saturdays 9 - 10am
For Fun Sticks registrations and more info click here:
https://wellingtonhockey.org.nz/content page/1006
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SOME IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL

Thursday 15	Whanau hui, 6pm, staffroom	
Friday 16	Last day of Term 1	

MAY

Monday 3	First day of Term 2		
Wednesday 5	Rata and Matai swim sports		
Friday 7	Reports emailed home		
Monday 10	Parent Teacher meetings		
Tuesday 11	Parent Teacher meetings		
Tuesday 18	Papakowhai School Yr 4-8 Cross		
	Country races		
Tuesday 18	BOT meeting, 7pm, staffroom		
Wednesday 19	Cross country postponement		
	day		
Thursday 20	Book Character Dress-up day		

GREAT KIWI UCCAM COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

Form and payment to be received by Friday 7 May.

I give permission for my child/ren to participate in the following 2021 UCCAM competitions:

CHILD'S NAME	CLASS	SUBJECT
I enclose \$ (\$9.50 OR I have paid by EFTPOS on	(\$9.50 per subject)	

OR
I have paid by internet banking (12-3140-0133108-01) on

Please reference with child's name and 'UCCAM'.
Parent/caregivers signature: