



Papakōwhai School

Growing Together – Igniting Potential



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Papakōwhai School Newsletter

Week 2 | Term 3 | 3 August 2022

Kia ora koutou

TŌTARA SHOWCASE - TONIGHT!

The Show is sold out and there are no door sales.

All children in Tōtara are performing tonight, Wednesday 3rd August, at 7pm at Hosanna Church in Porirua. It will be a fun filled evening. The children performing should be dropped off from 5:45pm. The doors will open from 6pm for the audience. **We ask that all audience members arrive by 6:45pm to find their seats.**

HAROLD IS HERE

The Life Education Caravan is in our carpark for the next few weeks. Marsha Chiet is the Life Education teacher and, along with Harold the giraffe, is teaching lessons to our whole school. The Year 1-2 children are focusing on healthy eating, Year 3-4's on the importance of physical activity, Year 5-6's on good decision making for reputation, identity and resilience, and the Year 7 and 8 programme is about substance abuse.

AUGUST READATHON RAISING FUNDS FOR THE AWESOME ARMY OF TEACHING ASSISTANTS WE HAVE IN OUR SCHOOL



I hope you received a Readathon booklet on Monday. If your child has been away or you didn't receive one you can print one off [here](#) ask for one at the office or see your child's teacher.

We are aiming to raise \$20,000 towards the cost of the amazing teaching assistants and librarians we have at our school. The cost of providing this level of support is close to \$400,000 per annum. About half of this is directly funded by the MOE and the remainder is funded through donations and hall hireage.

Children need to keep a reading log throughout the month of August and collect sponsorship for the reading they are doing.

There will be a prize for the top reader in each class and the class that raises the most money.

We would really value your support with encouraging your child to read every day and to support them with reaching out to wider whānau and friends to get sponsorship.

RIMU SHOWCASE

We are experiencing some Covid related setbacks with our Rimu show and we are looking at revising the date. A final decision and ticket information will be sent out on Friday. We do apologise for any inconvenience.

Ngā mihi

Mark Smith

Principal

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SPARE CLOTHING

As the weather has been very wet recently there are now several areas of mud around the school grounds and playgrounds. We have only a limited amount of spare clothing at the office so we would be grateful if students could have a change of clothes in their bag in case they get dirty during break times.

Also, if your child has borrowed clothing from the school, could these items please be laundered and returned to the office.

LUCKY BOOK CLUB ORDERS

Orders close this Friday and must be placed online using Scholastic Loop. Scholastic are offering free books (from a limited selection of titles) with a minimum spend of \$30 - stock up for the Readathon!

HOME AND SCHOOL COMMITTEE

QUIZ NIGHT - Friday 19 August, 7-10pm in the school hall, teams of up to 8 people @ \$100, sweet and savoury platters can be pre ordered. Get your teams together and book on Kindo!

One team needs 2 more enthusiastic members to join their group of 6 - please text Li Lin on 0210696050 if you are keen.



CALENDAR ART

Now it's August, think ahead for family Christmas presents 😊 Your child's artwork is available on Seesaw to view and Kindo is open for calendar art to be ordered. Closing date is Friday 19 August.

SAVE THE DATE: Ladies Clothing Grab - Saturday 24 September 7- 9.30pm Please sort through your wardrobe and drop your good quality, preloved items into the school office.

CHESS CLUB

Chess Club is up and running again this term. Lessons are at lunchtime on Thursdays. The full cost for this term is \$75; the permission form has details of reduced fees for those who attended in Term 3. If your child is interested in attending chess club this term, please collect a permission form from Mrs Cory-Wright in Rimu Whā or from the office.

USED FACEMASKS AND LITTERING

We are finding used masks littering the school grounds. Please ensure your masks are safely in your bag when you leave/come to school and dispose of used masks in bins at home or in the classroom.

T.U.I. UKE LESSONS on Mondays @ 1.50pm, school hall.

Come and join the Big Band! Every Monday, the hall is our Stage. All sorts of instruments and some fancy moves. Keeping the music live! For further details please contact Shane McAlister by email to theukuleleinstitute@gmail.com or text/call 027 27 37 47 5

PARENT TO PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

Parent Support Groups are get-togethers for parents or caregivers raising children with disabilities, neurodiverse conditions, health impairments or special needs. They are safe spaces for family and

whanau to share information and learn from each other to help and support each other along your journey. For further information please contact the regional coordinator, Sue Trueman 027 808 3947 or visit their website www.parent2parent.org.nz

Tawa Parent Support Group, Weds 3rd August 7.30 - 9.30pm

Tawa - contact Sue for address details

Kapiti Parent Support Group, Friday 12th August 10am - 12pm

Columbus Cafe, Mitre 10, 135 Kapiti Road, Paraparaumu

Zoom Parent Support Group, Thurs 18th August 7.30 - 8.30pm

Via zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86448622540?pwd=WnNDTWWh5UDJYbnFLUVdBVFIQK3ZMdz09>

Lower Hutt Parent Support Group, Tues 30th August 10am - 12pm River of Life Centre, 774 High Street, Boulcott, Lower Hutt

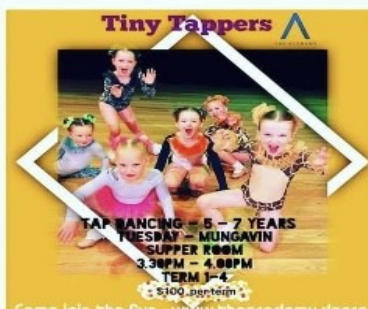
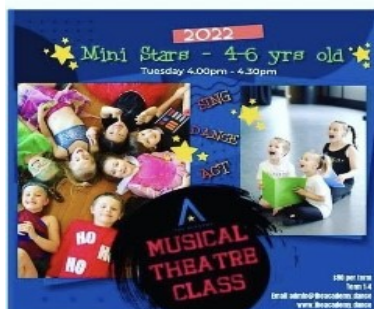
ACADEMY DANCE CLASSES

The Academy runs dance lessons in Papakowhai School hall on Monday & Thursday evenings and Saturdays. Visit them online for all their classes, timetables and details <http://www.theacademy.dance>

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SOME IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST - READATHON ALL MONTH!

Wednesday 3	Tōtara showcase, 7pm, Hosanna Church, Driver Crescent, Cannons Creek
Friday 5	Lucky Book Club orders close
Tuesday 9	Board of Trustees hui, 7pm, staffroom
Tuesday 16	Parumoana Swim Trials (Years 5-8 if registered)
Friday 19	Home and School Quiz Night, 7pm, school hall
Tuesday 23	Powhiri, school hall