

Principal's Corner

Dear families and friends of our school

Kia ora koutou and welcome back to all, I hope everyone had a restful holiday season! 2021 promises to be an action packed year here at Paraparaumu school.

We welcome the following children to our wonderful school. Its certainly been a busy start to the year!
 Room 4: James, Lincoln, Asher, Dot, Reid, Hudson, Heidi, Roman, Madelyn, India, Ruby, Hendrix, Zoe, Aolani
 Room 1: Rylee, Hunter Room 6: Robert, Maata Room 7: Molly, Violet Room 8 : Davis Room 9: Daniel, Charlie, Owen Room 10: Rosalina
 Room 11: Xiah, Kauri Room 12: Brooklyne Room 13: Lomond

Covered in this weeks newsletter: Meet the Teacher; Swimming for the senior's; Contact details; Weekly assemblies; School lunches; Mathletics & Reading Eggs;

- **Meet the teacher BBQ:** On Thursday 25th February from 5.00pm to 6.30pm we will be having a meet the teacher BBQ (we did this last year). We will be providing a sausage sizzle and Shane from Uke club will be providing some music from 5pm-5.40pm. From 5.45pm-6.30pm teachers will be in their classrooms available for chats with parents. If there is a need for further discussions, then you can make an appointment with the teacher. We look forward to seeing you all there.
- **Swimming for Senior school:** There are lots of exciting activities for the students to get involved with this term—starting off with swimming at the Aquatic Centre for our senior students which began today. PLEASE send \$35.00 to the office ASAP. Thank you for your support and helping to keep our kids safe in the water.
- **Contact details / Student profile sheet:** You should have received this from your teacher last week. Please update and return to the office asap.
- **Weekly Assemblies :** Our assemblies are on each Friday 9:10am—9:50am. You are more than welcome to attend as we love to see our parents there. These will start tomorrow.
- **School lunches can be ordered on Thursdays this year** and these are provided by "New World ". Orders can be made via Kindo app before 9 am on a Thursday. These will be delivered to the school reception at 1220pm. We will trial this for a term. Menus will be sent home shortly.
- **Mathletics, Maths Seeds & Reading Eggs & Reading Express:** I do encourage you all to sign your child up for these web-based programs at \$25 for a whole year's access. It really does make homework exciting and helps reinforce what is being taught in class.
- **Rocketing into School – Reminder that this starts week 3, Tuesday 18th February for main stream with Mrs T, Room 4 and Te Whanau Kotuku's Te Kōkenga ki te Kura will change to a MONDAY starting 17th February, from 9am - 11am**
- **The 2020 Internet Agreements** for the children are being sent home next week. Please take the time to read this agreement with your child so that you both understand about why they need to be safe when using the internet. Whilst we do have firewalls and blocking of types of sites it is important that the children understand what to do and safe practice. This is also discussed at school. Please ensure that these agreements are signed and sent back to the classroom teacher as soon as possible so that your child can use the computers and laptops at school.

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Tuesday 23rd February at 6.15pm in the boardroom.

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou - warm regards to you all

Steven Caldwell
Principal

Student of the week

Mya
Room 8
Year 6

Congratulations to... drumroll please... Mya, who is the Student of the Week!
 I am lucky enough to teach Mya again this year and the progress I have seen since the beginning of 2020 is amazing! Mya has shown an immense improvement in regards to her behaviour - she can show a mature attitude and use different strategies to help her stay on track.
 Mya shows she is a star by 'playing her PART'. She is taking a risk and having a go, she is using manners, she is showing responsibility and respect, she is making the right choices and she is having fun!
 It is such a pleasure teaching Mya as she is becoming more of an active learner and is well-prepared for class each day.



Thank you Mya for the commitment you have put into your development and learning in Room 8.
 Keep working hard and all your dreams will come true!!!

Te Whānau Kōtuku Kāpiti Island Trip

One more sleep to go. Please make sure your tamaiti is at **29 Marine Parade** at the correct sailing time. The weather forecast is still looking good!
No whānau kai on Friday due to our trip to the Island.

Find Koyren ... 'Give a little' Coin trail

Many of you would have read about the recent tragedy concerning our teacher aide Amanda's son.

We will be organising a coin trail next Wednesday, 17th February to help with the search to return him to the whanau.

Community notices

Exciting News!! CLASSES START AT BIGAIR GYM KAPITI ON 1st FEB!!

Children LOVE learning how to Cartwheel, Round-off, Handspring and Flip and now we are offering these classes at a state-of-the-art gym facility near you!! **Bigair Gym Kapiti is now offering GYMNAS-TICS, TUMBLING, RECREATIONAL & COMPETITIVE CHEER-LEADING & FREE RUNNING (Parkour) Classes for Term 1!** Children develop strength, flexibility, balance, proprioception, plus determination and self-confidence as they achieve new skills! These classes are excellent for fun and fitness! We focus on safety, technique, fundamental skills, right through to more advanced skills, such as summersaults and twisting. Bigair Gym is a clean, pristine, exciting, and kid friendly place for children to feel supported, guided, and happy to learn! Our experienced coaches run structured amazingly fun gym classes. To find out more or to book online for Term 1 classes, go to www.bigairgym.co.nz or email [ka-piti@bigairgym.co.nz](mailto:kapiti@bigairgym.co.nz). Please pop in and see the gym at 4 Manchester Street, Kapiti!

We love teaching kids at Crawshaw Music School. We provide high quality one-on-one private lessons from our new premises at 6a Sheffield Street (just off Te Roto Drive). We follow our student's interests while teaching important skills. All our teachers are experienced musicians in modern music and are skilled at communicating their knowledge. Book now before all our spaces are filled up, the first lesson is free. The instruments we currently offer are: guitar, keyboards/piano, singing, drums, ukulele, bass, flute and band classes.
[Email aj@crawshawmusicschool.co.nz](mailto:aj@crawshawmusicschool.co.nz) or Phone (04) 905 9317 to book a free trial lesson.

SCIENCE CLUB IS BACK at the Raumati Technology Centre (RTC): Dr Sarah Kenworthy (a teacher at RTC) will be running Science Club Term 1 for Years 5 to 8. Starting on Thursday 18th February for 8 weeks. It will be at RTC (135 Hillcrest Road, Raumati) from 4.45 to 6.00 pm. The cost will be \$120. We will be doing exciting, hands on experiments each week with interesting stuff to bring home. Please contact Sarah Kenworthy on sarahthescientist@xtra.co.nz or 021 022 29002 to book a place or for more information.

PART Winners from Dec 2020

Izzy	Room 8	Turangawaewae
Mac	Room 1	All four
Hannah	Room 5	Positivity
Ashton	Room 10	Positivity

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25th February	Meet the Teacher evening 5pm
3rd March	Tennis Room 8 & 9
4th March	Year 8 HPV immunisations
16th March (pp 18/3)	Year 7 & 8 Super Schools
17th March	Weetbix Triathlon
1st April	Easter Bonnet Parade
2nd April—6th April	SCHOOL CLOSED EASTER HOLIDAY
8th April	Swim Festival (Yr 4—8 only)
8th April (pp 15/4)	Uenuku Teddy Bears Picnic
16th April	(Jo's Birthday) & TERM ENDS

Term dates 2021

Term 1	4th Feb—16th April Waitangi Day Mon 8 th Feb: Easter School Closed Fri 2 nd April – Tuesday 6 th April
Term 2	3rd May —9th July (3pm) Queens birthday 7th June
Term 3	Monday 26th July – 1st October (3pm)
Term 4	Monday 18 th October – Thursday 16 th December (12 noon)



Big Band Uke Club.
 A perfect start to your musical journey.
 Contact Shane to enrol your Rockstar.
theukuleleinsti-tute@gmail.com

Kindo online school shop – register now

Our online Kindo school shop means you can pay for your school costs easily – set up an account today and pay swimming, Reading Eggs or Mathletics . **You can now purchase lunches on a Thursday and PTA Pizza Fridays via KINDO!**
 No need to find coins and it's open 24/7!

Need assistance? Our Kindo helpdesk is open 8am to 4pm weekdays.
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