

Principal's Corner

Dear families and friends of our school

Welcome to Peace who starts her school life in Room 2.

- Easter holidays:** Just a reminder that the *Tuesday* following *Easter Monday* is a school holiday (not a statutory holiday), meaning schools will **not** be open.
- Breakfast Club:** Some of our new families might not be aware that we have a Breakfast Club here at Paraparaumu School. It runs on Mon, Tues and Wednesday mornings and is held in the school hall between 8.30am till 9am. This is also an opportunity for students to meet others and grab one of our lunches if needed.
- New school sun shade:** I'm sure you have all seen the amazing new sun shades we have around the school. This was the culmination of a project initiated by our PTA team. I would like to thank them all for their hard work and dedication including numerous Pizza Fridays, it has more than paid off. I would like to especially mention Natalie Taiaki who worked tirelessly to secure a very substantial grant to help pay for the sunshades. Other things the PTA fund for our students include, the cost of a bus for every class so they can plan an exciting trip out of school, the prizes for our world famous Easter Bonnet Parade and the cost of our annual end of term 4 year 8 visit to Kapiti Island. We are lucky to have such a focussed, passionate and effective PTA at our school.
- Helmets for scooters:** We are having more and more students coming to school and playing on their scooters at break times, which is great. However, it does lessen the space for them to move around. Can you please send your child to school with a helmet so they can wear it while using their scooter at school.
- Pick up and dropping off students:** As our school continues to grow picking and dropping off students is getting a lot busier. I would again ask that everyone abide by the road markings in regards to where you can and cannot park. This is for the safety of all of our students and ensures that our road patrol students can do their job safely.
- Mathletics, Mathseeds & Reading Eggs & Reading Express:** I do encourage you all to sign your child up for these web-based programs at \$25 for a whole years access. It really does make homework exciting and helps reinforce what is being taught in class.

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

Steven Caldwell
Principal

Student of the week

Mark Year 5 Room 12

Mark, you are often my go-to guy in Room 12 because you are so capable, reliable and helpful. If anything needs fixing, sorting, delivering, finding, etc. you will jump right in and help. You are respected and liked by everyone because we all recognise how well you embody our school's PART values.

This year you have taken on more of a leadership role in class and I have loved watching your confidence grow. You are also a wonderful team player because you can collaborate, assist or lead depending on what the situation requires.

To top it all off, you are an excellent student who is 100% committed to your learning and I can see your progress every day. Your positivity, enthusiasm and dedication is a fantastic example for others. I look forward to seeing what you achieve during the rest of the year!



Congratulations to our Whiz Kids:	Room:	P.A.R.T Certificates
Jaxon	Room 2	Nirvana
Vanya	Room 3	Ryahn
Reid	Room 4	Hendrix
Ana	Room 5	Esmee
Nathan	Room 6	Claudia
Brooke	Room 7	Shayla B
Maddie	Room 8	Finn
Kustom	Room 9	Liam
Malayah	Room 10	Rosalina
Eve	Room 11	Jacob
Liam	Room 12	Hunter
Nina	Room 13	Holly

Te Whānau Kōtuku

Haereenga ki Ōtaihanganga

A reminder that we are going to Ōtaihanganga Park this Friday, leaving school at 11:30am. Please make sure your tamaiti has their whānau kai, a drink bottle, sunhat and swimming gears if they would like to swim in the river. Thank you to whānau that are able to help with transport and supervision. We are looking forward to a sunny fun filled afternoon catching tuna and whakawhanaungatanga.

MOVIN' MARCH IS HERE!!

On Tuesday morning Kirsty Barr from the Greater Wellington Regional Council came to our school to see us promoting Movin' March. Here are some comments she made:
Paraparaumu School are pulling out all the stops this Movin'March with regular helpers at the school gate stamping passports and wishing everyone a great day. The fine weather continues as students get to school by scooter, bike, skateboards, rollerskates or the regular waewae express. The School Council are also helping to organise a wheels day on the last day of Movin'March (Wednesday 31 Mar) so don't forget to dress up your wheels (or your feet) on your way to school! Tumeke Paraparaumu School, we love the way your senior students help and how you've integrated Movin'March into the classroom.

WHEELS DAY

Wednesday 31st March

Come to school with your skateboard / bike / scooter or just your normal shoes custom designed to make them look cool!

Class vote for the best designed feet & Wheels



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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 & Room 2 Teddy Bears Picnic
16th April	TERM 1 ENDS
Monday 3rd May	TERM 2 STARTS
Friday 4th June	Teacher only day
Wednesday 16th June	Kapiti College open day (year 8 only)
Wednesday 8th September	Kapiti College Option day (year 8 only)

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)

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.
Freephone: 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636)

Email: hello@mykindo.co.nz

Our annual Easter Bonnet Parade

This will be held on Thursday 1st April, at 2pm. You are most welcome to attend in your finest easter bonnet!

We encourage the children to make their easter bonnets at home as a family activity. They will also be given the opportunity to make and decorate a hat in class.

There is also a category for adults and toddlers.

We look forward to seeing your wonderful creations.

