



Paraparaumu School

PRINCIPAL'S *Corner*

Dear families and friends of our school

Mask wearing

I have been really proud of how the students and staff have been with regard to wearing masks in class. The staff are looking for innovative ways to manage mask wearing in their classes and the students have just gotten on with it with positivity and a no fuss attitude. Well done!

COVID-19

As yet, Paraparaumu School has not had any positive COVID cases. If you or your child are sick and decide to get a COVID test, can you let me know that you are getting the test. This is very important with regard to us preparing for a potential positive case. Please do not wait until you get the results.

Positive tests

Last week I sent out the processes our school will undertake if we have a positive COVID case. I have had an update from the Ministry in regards to this. If I am informed of a positive case/close contact outside of school hours then all classes concerned will be notified by email and from that day you will need to self-isolate and get a test. If I am informed during school hours then all parents of the affected classrooms will be rung or emailed. All children will need to be picked up from school as soon as possible. If that is not possible then the children will remain in the class with their teacher and will effectively be isolated from the rest of the school. I know this sounds a bit extreme but I have to follow the Government guidelines. Thanks for all the support we have received so far during this difficult time, it is most appreciated.

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

Steven Caldwell
PRINCIPAL

Student of the Week

Congratulations to... drumroll please... Frankie who is the Student of the Week!

I am lucky enough to teach Frankie again this year and the progress I have seen since the beginning of 2021 is amazing!

Frankie 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 Frankie as she is becoming more of an active learner and is well prepared for class each day.

Thank you Frankie for the commitment you have put into your development and learning in Room 8. Keep working hard.

Congratulations to our Whiz Kids	Room	P.A.R.T Certificates
Lachlan	1	Shacla
Antonio	2	Peace
Heremaia	3	Keano
Penelope	4	Emily
Jamie C	6	Carden
Harrison	7	Mac
Aria	8	Lauren
Sreya	9	Jaya
Emeila	10	Miles
Finn	11	Dre
Maata	12	Erin
Kage	13	Rocco

Poem by Corin Room 1

That was Summer

Remember that time we heard the birds tweeting in the bushes and we thought we would never get to sleep?

That was summer.

Remember that time when we went to the beach and we felt the smooth sand and we could taste the ocean in our mouths?

That was summer.

Remember that time we smelt the strong chlorine from the pools and it made us not want to hop in?

That was summer.

Mathletics, Maths Seeds & Reading Eggs & Reading Express: I do encourage you all to sign your child up for these web-based programs at \$26 for a whole years access. It really does make homework exciting and helps reinforce what is being taught in class.



Please remember to send Year 4—8 with at least 2 masks in the bag per day.

UPCOMING DATES

FEBRUARY

21st PTA Meeting 7pm

MARCH

4th TEACHER ONLY DAY
SCHOOL CLOSED

15th Super Schools
Year 7 & 8 ONLY pp day 17th March

APRIL

7th Swim Festival

11th House Day

13th Easter Bonnet Parade

Year 7 & 8 Immunisations

14th TEACHER ONLY DAY
SCHOOL CLOSED—End of Term 1

15th April - 1st May School Holidays

MAY

2nd Term 2 starts

TERM DATES 2022

Term 1 3rd Feb—14th April (3pm)

Term 2 2nd May —8th July (3pm)
24th June school closed Matariki day)

Term 3 Monday 25th July – 30th September (3pm)

Term 4 17th October – 16th December (12 noon) 24th October Labour day