## Paraparaumu School



# PRINCIPAL'S Corner

Dear families and friends of our school

#### Teacher Only Day Term 3

Can you please note on your calendars Monday 19th September. This will be our next Teacher Only Day, so school will be closed for instruction. Teachers will be looking at the new Histories Curriculum and planning units of learning from it. I do appreciate your co-operation, these days provide valuable professional development for our amazing teachers.

#### Road Crossing

Can people please use the crossing when the road patrol students are out before and after school. There has been instances where adults have been crossing the road near to, but not on the crossing. This can be very off putting for our road patrollers and can obstruct their view. Your co-operation is most appreciated.

#### Mask wearing

As you may be aware, we are seeing an increase in COVID cases which has been compounded by the flu season. At this stage the Ministry of Education has not reintroduced the mask wearing mandate, though it is still encouraged. Schools are free to make their own decisions on mask wearing. At this stage we have decided to keep with the status quo, i.e, the choice of wearing masks is up to individual teachers, classes and students. However, if we see a large increase in COVID or the flu we may bring back the compulsory wearing of masks from Year 3 up. There is a lot of evidence now that masks do work. Keep an eye out for further communication in and around this. I will be updating as needed. I appreciate your co-operation with this, it is most appreciated.

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

Steven Caldwell

#### Student of the Week

Issac James Year 8 Room 11

Issac, we are really impressed with the eagerness that you have brought to the Senior Hub this year. Your ability to start laughing at yourself and willingness to take risks has blossomed and is starting to make a positive impact on all of us.

We really enjoy watching the way you face your fears and tackle challenges that you are presented with. We look forward to seeing how you can transfer these skills into our classroom environment as you continue to become even more confident.

Kia kaha e tama - big things can be achieved this year.

Congratulations to our Whiz Kids	Room	P.A.R.T Certificates
Robin	1	Ryley
Jaxon	2	Nirvana
Javahn	3	Nevaeh
Desmond	4	Aidan
Lincoln	5	Skylah
Madie	7	Brooklyne
Hazel	8	Coen
Jayah	9	Liam G
Tamarau	10	Miya
Liam	11	Thoma
Maisie	12	Grace
Penelope	13	Teddy

#### Te Whānau Kōtuku

Nau mai, hoki mai ki te wāhanga tuatoru o te tau! Welcome back whānau to term 3. Please mark in your diaries **Wednesday 10th August** for our term 3

Wednesday 10th August for our term 3 Whānau Hui. This will be held in the hall, starting at 6:30pm. Whānau kai will run every second week, starting Friday 5th August. Our tuakana from ruma 3 will continue to organise this along with Whaea Inge and Nanny Huia. The cost for whānau kai is \$10. Please pay this to our Te Whānau Kōtuku Fundraising account ANZ 06-0730-0419882-00 and reference your child's name.

#### Hangi-Camp Fundraiser

We will be having a hangi fundraiser to help lower the costs for our Y5-8 tamariki heading to camp next term. The hangi will be prepped, cooked and distributed from the Centre Church, Hurley Rd on Friday 2nd September at 5pm. Each whānau will be allocated 2 tickets to sell. There may be a few more available for those that wish to buy more. We will need parent help on Thursday (10:30am) morning to prep and pack the kai and also later on in the afternoon on Friday, 4pm onwards, to help wrap and distribute. Please let me know if you are available to help. Tickets will go out at the beginning of next week.

#### Senior School Movie Night -The Goonies

Friday 19th August Get your tickets and order fish and chips on Kindo before Tuesday 16th! Doors open at 5pm for anyone who has ordered food - movie starts at 5.30pm. All finished by 7.30pm!

#### **Boost Your Learning**

Does your child require further support, over and above what can be offered at school?

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PNP Mountain Bike Club is holding its Annual Spring Series. We cater to all ages and abilities from Recreational riders through to Elite. This is a series of 5 Cross Country races. There are medals for place getters and the college/schools shield and plenty of spot prizes. With over-all Series Trophies.



#### **UPCOMING DATES**

#### **AUGUST**

- 9 PTA Senior Movie Night
- Junior Winter Tournament(25 Aug) Postponement date

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 9 PTA Junior Movie Night
- 19 Teachers Only Day



#### **TERM DATES 2022**

Term 2 2nd May —8th July (3pm)

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

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

#### **TERM DATES 2023**

Term 1	Tues 7th Feb—Thurs 6th April
Term 2	24th April—30th June Anzac Day 25th April; Queen's birthday 5th June; Matariki 14th July
Term 3	Monday 17th July – 22nd September
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noon) 23rd October Labour day