



# Paraparaumu School

## PRINCIPAL'S *Corner*

Dear families and friends of our school

### Matiu/Somes Island

Yesterday I accompanied Room 7 on their trip to Matiu/Somes Island. It was a fantastic and very interesting day. The students also had a great time, especially around the abandoned World War 2 gun emplacements. A big thank you to the parents who travelled with us, we couldn't do these things without you.

### 2022/2023 Touch Competition

Touch rugby returns next term, which is very exciting. We have always had lots of teams and it is always a fun experience. Your child should have bought a touch registration form home already. If they didn't or it got lost you can get one from the school office. I am looking forward to watching some games this year.

ASSEMBLY WILL BE ON MONDAY due to bake sale

### PTA Movie night

The PTA will be holding a junior movie night on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September. I would like to thank the PTA for all their hard work in and around fundraising, it is fantastic.

### Teacher Only Day Term 3

Can you please note on your calendars Monday 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

### 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, ie, the choice of wearing masks is up to individual teachers, classes and students. However, if we see a large increase in sickness 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*  
PRINCIPAL

## Student of the Week

**Lauren Pearson Year 5 Room 8**

Lauren is an awesome member of Room 8 and I am so lucky to have such an amazing young lady in my class this year! Her happy and enthusiastic attitude to school and learning is evident through all her interactions with both students and adults.

Lauren has a beautiful and creative flair that shines through in her amazing artwork. She has a natural talent and produces incredible pieces of work - watch out Frida Kahlo!!

Lauren has such a great attitude to school and learning, always giving 100% in all she does. Keep up the super effort (and never lose that infectious crazy laugh)!

Congratulations to our Whiz Kids	Room	P.A.R.T Certificates
Peace	2	Hana
Nevaeh	3	Eparaima
Octavia	4	Mikayla
Asher	5	Aolani
Thea	6	Zahara
Axel	7	Sam
Sam	8	May
Kohl	10	Ricardo
Cailey	11	Emmie
Halen	12	Tyrell
Benjamin	13	Lola

## Te Whānau Kōtuku

### Hangi Pick Up

Thank you to whānau that are available to help today with hangi preparation. Pick up time for Friday is 5pm at the Centre Church located on Hurley Rd, Paraparaumu. Enjoy your delicious hangi!

### Te Wiki o te reo Māori

Te Whānau Kōtuku will be attending Māori Language Week celebrations at Parliament on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September. Please check your child's pēke for their permission pānui.

Whānau kai is on this Friday. It will have a Dutch flavour this week! A reminder that whānau kai monies are now overdue.

## THE GREAT PARAPARAUMU SCHOOL BAKE OFF - Friday 2nd September

- The theme for 2022 is 'KIWIANA'.
- Help your child design and create either a cake or cupcake within the theme.
- The hall will be open from 8:30am to 9:00am for deliveries.
- There will be a first, second and third place certificate for each category in each class or you could choose to enter the family category.
- Cakes (\$5 - \$10) and cupcakes (\$1) will be for sale in the hall from 2:40pm until 3:20pm.

NB - Please label your creations with name and class number

### PTA AGM

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 7pm in Staffroom. All Welcome

### Junior School Movie Night The Bad Guys

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September  
Tickets and fish and chip orders available on Kindo!  
5pm for food, movie starts at 5.30pm.

### Touch Rugby season

Touch registration forms are coming home this week. Please fill out and return to the office. We are looking for coaches—please contact Amber if you are keen. Training will be available.

**LOVE TENNIS**- Open day to be held at Paraparaumu Beach Tennis Club, Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept, from 11am till 4pm. "Love Tennis" is a free "have a go day" where all ages and stages of players are encouraged to visit the club and give the sport a go. **Club Coach, Leonie Ware** will lead a fun filled day of tennis, with youngsters given an opportunity to try tennis **Hot Shots** with mini courts, nets and low compression balls.

There's the chance to test skills with a ball machine or simply have a hit. Racquets will be available, just bring suitable footwear. There will be a free sausage sizzle, live music and fun for both parents and children.

Rebel sport are supporting this NZ wide "love tennis event" by providing fabulous gift vouchers, another good reason to give this event a go.

**For more information contact:**  
Leonie Ware (club coach) 021 169 0603  
paraparaumubeachtennis@gmail.com

### Softball

Are you looking for a summer sport? How about Softball? It's FUN and FAST! We are hunting for male and female players to join us - U7s right up to Seniors. If you are a seasoned pro or a beginner, we would love to have you as part of our club! You can register online at [www.kapitsoftball.co.nz](http://www.kapitsoftball.co.nz) or if you have any questions get in touch with Kyla on [info@kapitsoftball.co.nz](mailto:info@kapitsoftball.co.nz) or 027 244 8756. See you on the diamond!

### YUMMY APPLE STICKERS.

Please keep collecting those stickers! We have until the end of term to gather as many as possible to earn some sports gear.

The class with the most stickers gets a pizza lunch - so keep collecting!

## ONESIE DAY - next Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> September

The School Council would like to encourage everyone to wear a Onesie (or PJs) and bring a gold coin to support Wellington Free Ambulance.

## UPCOMING DATES

### SEPTEMBER

2	The Great Bake Off
5	PTA AGM
9	Onesie Day
9	PTA Junior Movie Night
19	Teachers Only Day
21	Bake Sale - fundraising for year 3/4 EOTC



## TERM DATES 2022

Term 2	2nd May — 8th July (3pm)
Term 3	Monday 25th July – 30th September (3pm)
Term 4	17 <sup>th</sup> October – 16 <sup>th</sup> December (12 noon) 24 <sup>th</sup> October Labour day

## TERM DATES 2023

Term 1	Tues 7th Feb—Thurs 6th April 24th April—30th June
Term 2	Anzac Day 25th April; Queen's birthday 5th June; Matariki 14th July
Term 3	Monday 17th July – 22nd September
Term 4	9 <sup>th</sup> October – 22nd December (12 noon) 23rd October Labour day