



Paraparaumu School

PRINCIPAL'S *Corner*

Dear families and friends of our school

Year 3/4 El Rancho EOTC

We are excited about our upcoming 2 days of activities at El Rancho on Dec 14th and 15th. Thank you to whānau who have indicated that they are able to help over these 2 days. There will be a parent help meeting to go over the organisation on Thursday 1st December, 6.30 pm in Room 1.

Teacher Paid Union meeting

On Friday 25th November school will be closed from 12.30pm so teachers can attend a paid union meeting related to their Primary Teachers Collective Agreement. Can you please make alternative arrangements for your child on that day. Your co-operation is most appreciated.

Forest Lakes Year 5 and 6 Camp

Our year 5 and 6 camp is well underway this week and despite the weather today the students are enjoying lots of new and challenging experiences. A big thank you to Mrs CM, Mrs Mac and Miss Collins for all your hard work organising this awesome camp. A huge thank you to all our wonderful parents who are helping out with camp. We couldn't do things like this without you.

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

Steven Caldwell
PRINCIPAL

Student of the Week

Claudia Year Room 1

Claudia well done on your student of the week award. I am so proud of everything you have achieved this year and you should be too. Claudia, you are a confident member of our class and the effort and persistence you put into your tasks doesn't go unnoticed. You always put so much love into your writing and I love reading all of the ideas you come up with. I especially liked your haunted house pop up and the artwork you complete is to a high standard. Claudia, you follow our school PART values closely and are such a kind soul to your peers as they feel safe with you. Congratulations on a successful year, keep being you.

Congratulations to our Whiz Kids	Room	P.A.R.T Certificates
Nathan	1	Wade
	2	Hinde
Javahn	3	Kyahn
Zariah	4	Mikayla
Madelyn	5	Bohdi
James	6	Blake H
Brody T	7	Madie
Chase	8	Toby
Cruz	12	Logan
Teddy	13	Penelope

Calendar Art orders are open again for the PTA fundraiser! Follow these instructions to place your order online:

- 1/. Go to www.kidsartworks.com
- 2/. Use the Entrance Code: **KZ1996**
- 3/. Enter your child's room & name when prompted

Skool Loop:

Just to let you know that Skool Loop is now inactive as a method of corresponding absentees to school. We have been having some issues with this and decided not to renew the contract. We will hope to transition to ETAP soon, meanwhile, please email absentee to admin@paraparaumu.school.nz / phone 298 7900 or send an email via the school website.

Te Whānau Kōtuku

Whānau hui reminder for next week, Wednesday 9th November at 6:30pm in the hall. This will be our last hui for the year, it would be great to get as many whānau there as possible.

Takiri o te Ata-Kapa Haka Festival

Please mark Thursday 1st of December in your calendars. Te Whānau Kōtuku will be performing at 12:15pm.

YUMMY APPLE STICKERS!

Thank you all so much for your apple sticker gathering over the last two terms. We have \$171 to spend on sports gear - well done whanau!

Remember that you can collect stickers throughout the whole year. Either hold onto them or pass onto the classroom teacher. Congratulations to Room 5 who gathered the most stickers and will receive a pizza lunch - woo hoo!

COMMISSIONER UPDATE

Dear parents, caregivers and whanau of Paraparaumu School Survey feedback Thank you to those families who responded to our community survey and/or our health curriculum survey. Your feedback is always important to us and it will be factored into our planning for 2023 and beyond.

Policy Updates

In my role as commissioner, I am responsible for all governance functions and duties. As part of my role I have been working with Steven and updating board policies which will be added to the website under School Board. It is important we have visibility regarding governance policies in health and safety, child protection and risk management.

School Board Election

Becoming a Board member can be a very rewarding experience and I have been preparing Paraparaumu School to return to self-governance. To this end, I have asked the Ministry of Education for a Term 1 2023 date when we can hold a Board election. I will update the school community when I hear back from the MOE and have a confirmed timeline.

First Draft of 2023-2025 Strategic Plan

A first draft of the 2023-2025 Strategic Plan will soon be placed on the website for community consideration. It will be socialised with staff in the next few weeks and refined before the end of this year. The 2023-2025 Strategic Plan completely aligns with the first three National Education and Learning Priorities (NELPs) and includes specific governance actions moving forward. Roz Mexted

UPCOMING DATES

NOVEMBER

7	Epro 8 (Year 7 / 8)
8	Epro 8 (year 5/6)
9	Senior Athletics (pp day 11 Nov)
24	Amazing Race Year 8
25	Teacher Union Paid Meeting

DECEMBER

1	Year 8 Kapiti Island (pp day 5th)
2	Kapa Haka Hui
	Teddy Bears Picnic for Junior School (pp date 9 December)
7	Prizegiving -
12	Year 8 Graduation
13	Whole School Picnic
14/15	YR 3 & 4 End of Year Experience
16	TERM 4 FINISHES @12 noon

TERM DATES 2023

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