



Paraparaumu School

PRINCIPAL'S Notes

Dear families and friends of our school

Welcome back to 2024. This year promises to be an exciting one with lots of fun and interesting learning. We have two syndicate camps happening and lots of other activities planned throughout the year. There will be lots of opportunities for you to join in class/school activities and I encourage you to do so, we would love to see you.

School Communication

We have a number of ways that we will communicate with you throughout the year. These newsletters will come out every two weeks. We use email communication regularly, so can you make sure the school office has your most up to date email.

Each classroom has a Facebook page, so if you haven't joined then I encourage you to do so. These Facebook pages have the most up to date information on them and are used most

frequently by teachers. If you want to contact your child's teacher their emails are listed on our school website, www.paraparaumu.school.nz.

School drop off

A reminder that children should be dropped off at school no earlier than 8.30am, unless arranged prior with the teacher. Teachers have early mornings and are getting ready for the day, so we are unable to provide supervision for your child before this time. Your co-operation is most appreciated.

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

Steven Caldwell
PRINCIPAL

Student of the Week—1

Octavia Room 5 Year 3

Octavia every morning you arrive with the biggest smile on your face and the most positive attitude. You are a wonderful friend to everyone and have empathy beyond your years.

Octavia, you are the first to offer help to anyone who needs it, you have the most kind and caring soul. I can't wait to see all the wonderful things you achieve this year. The world needs more people like you, keep being you Octavia.



YEAR 7/8 SWIMMING 2024
Throughout Term 1, Year 7 and 8 students from Te Whānau Pīrere and Year 4 - 8 students from Te Whānau Kōtuku will be involved in learning to swim lessons. Beginning **Thursday 15th February** at Coastlands Aquatic Centre.

Term 1 2024:
22nd February
29th February
7th March
14th March
28th March
4th April
11th April

School lunches can be ordered on Thursdays again this year and these are provided by New World. Orders can be made via Kindo app before 9 am on a Thursday. These will be delivered to the school reception at 12:20pm. Menus can be found on Kindo.

PIZZA FRIDAY IS BACK FOR 2024

This is the PTA's main fundraiser and we use the money raised to help pay for transport costs for class trips. Please place your order via KIN-DO orders close at 6pm on a Thursday. We get the pizza's cut into six slices (instead of 8) and the cost per slice is:

- Cheese - \$2.20
- Cheese No Sauce - \$2.20
- Hawaiian - \$2.30
- Pepperoni - \$2.20
- Ham and Cheese - \$2

We are so appreciative of your continued support.



GUMBOOT DESIGN



We are running a gumboot design competition in collaboration with Number 1 Shoes and Hannahs, with the winning design being used as our limited edition gumboot for this year's Gumboot Friday campaign. For a budding designer or artist they will get to see their creation come to life and for sale at stores around New Zealand - raising funds for free counselling sessions through Gumboot Friday. Please see details and entry form at the link below.
<https://www.iamhope.org.nz/gumbootdesigncomp>

HOOP CLUB KAPITI JUNIOR BASKETBALL COACHING PROGRAMME – Term 1 2024
Sunday 11 February to Sunday 7 April
Paraparaumu College Community Sportshall, Mazengarb Road, Paraparaumu 9.30-10.30am 5 to 7 year olds 10.30-11.30am 8 to 10 year olds 11.30-12.30pm 11 to 17 year olds
ALL NEW PLAYERS MOST WELCOME
Contact – Angelo Robinson

UPCOMING DATES

MARCH

29 Good Friday—School closed

APRIL

1 Easter Monday—School closed
2 Easter Tuesday—School closed
8-10 Year 4/5/6 Camp

JUNE

3 King's Birthday—School Closed
25 Makariki Evening

NETBALL REGISTRATIONS 2024

Netball registrations for years 3-8 are now open. Please see the school Facebook page for the registration link, or email paraparaumuschoolnetball@gmail.com.

TERM DATES 2024

	Wednesday 7th February –
Term 1	Friday 12th April <i>Easter Friday 29th March – Tuesday 2nd April Closed</i>
Term 2	Monday 29th April – Friday 5th July <i>3rd June – King's Birthday</i>
Term 3	Monday 22nd July – Friday 27th September
Term 4	Monday 14th October – Friday 20th December (12 noon) <i>28th October – Labour Day</i>