



# Paraparaumu School

## PRINCIPAL'S Notes

Dear families and friends of our school

### Kīwaha (saying of the week)

“He aha tō mahi i tēnei ra?... What are you doing today?”

### Learning to Fly

Next week I will be sending home our “Learning to Fly” framework. This builds on our P.A.R.T work and provides more detail into what the letters in P.A.R.T mean for our students. Please have a look, we would love to hear what you think. Keep an eye out next week.

### Siblings enrolments

If you have younger siblings of children already here that we are not aware of can you please let Jo in the office know. This will help immensely with our planning and working out when we need new classrooms. Your support here would be most appreciated.

### Syndicate names

Last year we changed our syndicate names to better reflect who we are. They were designed to reflect our school bird, the Kōtuku, and also our sense of family/whānau that we treasure at our school.

Te Whānau Mātuku- Year 1-3 Starting their learning journey at Paraparaumu School

Te Whānau Kautū- Year 4-6 Wades in the river gathering knowledge

Te Whānau Kōtuku- A unique opportunity to learn in Te reo Māori.

Te Whānau Pirere- Year 7/8 Migrates on to further their education

**Steven Caldwell**  
PRINCIPAL

### Student of the Week—5

Hannah B                      Year 5                      Room 12

Hannah, you are such a ray of sunshine in our class. Your cheerful nature and beautiful smile make you a joy to be around. You have the **best** manners and you are so kind to everyone. You care about your friends and classmates and are always there to comfort, support and help others. You are enthusiastic about your learning, are keen to share your ideas with the class and have a positive attitude towards everything you do. I love that you always look on the bright side of things and encourage others to do the same. You always try your best with your school work, you follow our class expectations and are a role model at our school.

Congratulations to our Whiz Kids	Room	P.A.R.T Certificates
Hazel	1	Matiu
Fox	2	Parekohatu
TeMahea	3	Piripi
Yezhile	4	Sophie H
Octavia	5	Keegan
Kage	6	Penelope
Arlen	7	Violet
Timothy	8	Ellie
Ellie	12	Asher
Zion	Te Puna	Kiarah

### Student of the Week—6

Te Ariki                      Year 3                      Room 2

Every day, a smile and positive energy radiate from you, filling our classroom with manaaki. Super curious and determined, Te Ariki consistently strives to complete his mahi and give his best. It's quite common for him to ask for more or to seek out more challenging mahi—what a diligent young man! He is a wonderful friend and shows great respect to the Te Whānau Kōtuku kaiako. Pride and passion shine through during hui and kapa haka. Kia kaha, e tama. Whāia e koe te iti kahurangi; ki te tūohu koe, me he maunga teitei.

### UPCOMING EVENTS FROM THE STUDENT COUNCIL

**The Great Paraparaumu School Bake-Off—Monday 9th September**  
See FACEBOOK for all the details .

**Onesie Day—Friday 13th September**  
Wear your onesie or pyjamas and bring a gold coin donation to help support the fantastic and essential work done by the Wellington Free Ambulance.

**It's Calendar Art time again!** The student's have been busy creating amazing art work that can be made into affordable calendars, cards, diaries, mouse mats and sketch pads. Each product is made from your own child's art. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas. Follow these instructions to place your order online:

1. Go to [www.kidsartworks.com](http://www.kidsartworks.com)
2. Use the Entrance Code: KZ1996
3. Enter your child's room & name when prompted

Please order before 29th August  
Payment can be made over the website via credit card or account2account.



Time: 5:20-6:30 Date:18 September

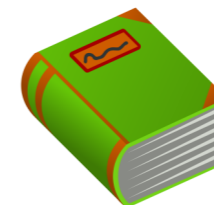
Bedtime Stories, one of Paraparaumu schools most beloved school traditions, is back for the first time in 4 years. The kids will come to the hall in their PJs and a BYO mug for hot chocolate. We have a series of special guests who will read the kids a series of stories, and Shane will close with a song.

The stories will start at 5:30pm so come earlier for your hot chocolate and to secure a spot.



Te Whanau Kōtuku is holding a women's second hand clothing sale fundraiser, and we need your help! Now is the perfect time to go through your wardrobe and pull out everything you don't wear. Please drop off all donations of good condition, womens clothing, shoes and accessories to the school office by Friday 6 September. Spread the word and encourage friends and family members to donate any womens clothes they don't want any more too!

The clothing sale will be on Sunday 15th September, 2-4pm, in the school hall. Tickets will go on sale soon - \$10 entry which gets you tokens to exchange for clothes.



Congratulations to the following children who placed in the Kapiti Poetry Competition. Coen Engles, Cruz Te Pania- Downes, Lucy Atkins and Felix Patterson.

### Red by Maisie, Room 7

The colour red looks like a roaring fire burning through the air.

It sounds like anger, my blood boiling and bursting into red flames.

The colour red smells like a sweet dimpled strawberry on a sunny day.

It tastes like a watermelon touching my tongue

The colour red feels like the heat of a dragon burning down buildings

### UPCOMING DATES

#### SEPTEMBER

- 9 The Great Paraparaumu School Bake-Off
- 13 Onesie Day
- 17 Kapiti College Option Day
- 18 Kapiti College Option Day
- 25 House Day

#### OCTOBER

- 25 Teacher's only day
- 28th LABOUR DAY school closed

#### BOARD MEETINGS 2024

- 11th September
- 30th October                      4th December

#### PTA AGM

7pm, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September in the School Staffroom

#### TERM DATES 2024

- Term 3                      Monday 22nd July –  
Friday 27th September  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October –
- Term 4                      Friday 20th December (12 noon)  
28<sup>th</sup> October – Labour Day

#### TERM DATES 2025

- Wednesday 5th Feb –
- Term 1                      Friday 11th April  
CLOSED: 6th Feb Waitangi Day  
Monday 28th April –
- Term 2                      Friday 27th June  
CLOSED  
2nd June King's Birthday  
20th June Matariki  
Monday 14th July –
- Term 3                      Friday 19th September  
CLOSED: 27th Oct Labour Day
- Term 4                      Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October –  
Thursday 18th December (12 noon)