



Paraparaumu School

PRINCIPAL'S Notes

Dear families and friends of our school

Touch rugby

The touch rugby season is upon us and as usual we have a large number of students participating. I would like to thank both the parents and staff members who have volunteered to coach our teams this year. It is a big commitment and very rewarding. I look forward to seeing how the season progresses.

Basketball

We have a year 7 and 8 boy's and girl's basketball teams starting this week. I am looking forward to a terrific season. We have some great players.

Kīwaha (saying of the week)

“Kia pai te wiki mutunga—have a good weekend.

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.

Steven Caldwell
PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to our Whiz Kids	Room	P.A.R.T Certificates
Loverah, Reid	1	Zahara, All room 1
Tiare, Meihana	3	Halo, Winemu
Leo	4	Noah
Ben, Kylie	5	Hayleigh, Taylah-Rose
Alicia	6	Emily
Massie, Mylah	7	Grace, Sean
Chace, Harper	8	Kalila, Charlie B
Lucian, Rhya	9	Zella, Ari, Maverick
Hunter H	11	Year 7 & 8 house leaders
Hannah, Emily	12	Zoe H, Judah
Jaxon	13	Room 13
Madie	Te Puna	Carly

Student of the Week—3

Meadow Room 11 Year 8

Meadow, it is a privilege to be your teacher and learn alongside you. Your diligence towards learning and the attitude you bring into Room 11 every day is inspiring to both students and staff. Your resilience and positive attitude towards learning, even when things are challenging inspire those around you. Keep shining and being your best self!

Kei ōu ringaringa te ao—The world is yours.

Student of the Week—4

Ella-Lousie Room 9 Year 1

Ella, you are a bit of a superstar in Room 9! You work very hard on any mahi you are given and complete it to a high standard. You are happy to make changes when you need to and have a really positive attitude to learning and trying new things. I see you making good decisions about where to sit so that you can do your best too, which is not always easy!!! I have also heard you encouraging other people and giving them a hand if they need it. You make a good leader in small groups and listen to your friends, trying to make sure that everyone gets a say. We are very lucky to have you in our class! Keep up the great work Ella-Louise!

SAUSAGE SIZZLE and ICE BLOCKS

As part of our fundraising for a new school mural we will be having a sausage sizzle and ice block sale each Wednesday for the rest of term! Orders close at midnight on Tuesdays via KINDO.

SWIMMING

Year 4-6 year olds, please bring your togs and towel every Thursday.

SPECIAL GUEST STEVEN MUSHIN *By Faith*

Last Tuesday, we had a very special guest called Steven Mushin.

He came and spoke to year 5-6 and year 7-8. He also did a special session with the Ngāi Iho Pūmanawa students where he taught 3d drawing and making models of our ideas. He helped us see a new ultra wild world with flying bikes and eating strawberries out of a submarine - how cool would that be? Not only that, but he helped us to embrace our creativity and imaginations.

Steve gave us a new perspective on our world and what we can do to ultrawild our planet, and he gave us many ways to change the planet. Personally, I am excited to see how the next generation will change our planet.



EPRO8



Mark, Marcus, Jono and Izzy came 1st in the year7/8 epro8 inter-school event on Tuesday night. They move on to the semi finals.



2nd team of Lachie B, Baddie, Rebecca and Drake. Represented the school well and came 9th.



Year 5/6 team. Scott, Corin P, Corin M and Noah placed first and the two other teams came

POETRY

Reflection
By May, Age 11

I look at my Reflection as it looks back at me,
But where does my Reflection go when I'm not there to see?
I turn around to run away, does it just watch me go?
Until I catch it in the act, I guess I'll never know.

Haiku about reflection

By Danica Herridge, age 11

Reflect and be you.
Don't let anyone tell you
Just be you and true.

UPCOMING DATES

NOVEMBER

8 Survivor Night
13 Senior Athletics

27 Kapiti Island—Year 8

DECEMBER

2 Zoo trip—Te Whānau Kautū
5 Year 8 Graduation
12 Prizegiving
17 Christmas Market Day
19 School Picnic

BOARD MEETINGS 2024

4th December

CHRISTMAS MARKET DAY FUNDRAISER

Tuesday, 17 December. Come and join us for this fun event. Crafts, seedlings, and many other goodies. 2.00pm to 3.30pm. All items \$2-\$5.

TERM DATES 2024

Monday 14th October –
Term 4 Friday 20th December (12 noon)
28th 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
Monday 6th October –
Term 4 Thursday 18th December (12 noon)