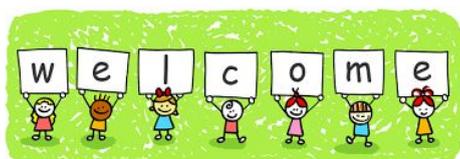


Dear Parents, Whānau and Caregivers



Nau mai, haere mai, A very warm welcome to the following students and their families who have started at Paparang School this week.

Uenuku (y1)	Joey Alexander, Rose Kendall and Cleo Snowden
Pounamu (y2/3)	Bailey Snowden
Rakau Nui (y4-6)	Jasmine Holmes

Welcome also to our part-time teachers who start working with us next week - Carolyn Collis, Marilyn Daly and Trudy Strom. This fabulous team of teachers provide leadership, curriculum and classroom release across all the classes. Having the same teachers working with our tamariki is great for learning!

‘Meet the Teachers’ - Parent Information Sessions - Thursday 22 February



Parents and whānau are warmly invited to come along next Thursday to meet their child’s teachers. It is a great opportunity for each learning team to share organisation and learning routines and for you to have a look around the classrooms. The sessions are being repeated twice to give families a chance to attend more than one session. If you only have one child at school you only have to come along to one of the times - choose the one the suits you best.

Uenuku Y1, Rooms 6-8	Pounamu, Y2/3, Rooms 1-4	Rakau Nui, Y4-6, Rooms 10-13
3:30pm	-	-
5:45pm	5pm	5pm
-	6:30pm	6:30pm



Tracey Arthurs, our school principal, hosts tours of the school on Wednesday mornings. If you know a prospective parent who would like to be shown around our wonderful school please invite them to contact the school office. Tracey also invites parents with children already at school to book in for a tour too –it's a good way to keep in touch with what's happening at school, and to see your child's class in action. Tours start at 9:30am – contact the office to make an appointment.

Good news! **School lunches** are back on the menu. We have partnered with 'lunchonline' to provide options for ordering a healthy school lunch on Wednesdays and Fridays. Ordering is easy and online – see the flyer attached for information about getting started. First lunches delivered next week –



Sushi on Wed 21 Feb and a Bakery selection on Friday 23 Feb.

Children's play area



No dogs allowed

No dogs on school grounds

Dogs are NOT permitted on the school grounds at all times. We thank all the responsible dog owners who respect the rule about no dogs. We have replaced the missing signage to help everyone remember!

No Parking on school grounds – car park for staff only

We appreciate that parking is at a premium on Beazley Ave and the surrounding streets but remind parents that there is NO parking in the school grounds or in the staff car park by the school hall at all times. With a growing staff there is no room for other cars. Please park on the street to drop off and collect your children. We appreciate your support!

Permission/Health Forms

Thank you to the families who have already returned their forms. The forms were due back by Wednesday 14 February to enable us to process the important information for our School Emergency Records. We would appreciate all forms returned urgently. Please sign them even if you do not have any changes to make.

Emergency Food Packs Reminder

Please ensure all children have their emergency packs for 2018 at school as soon as possible. We have found that if these items are packed into a plastic ice-cream container, storage problems are greatly reduced.

Please remember to NAME each child's pack. To be prepared for an emergency, we require ALL children to bring to school the following items:

- 1 small tin meal eg spaghetti, baked beans
- 2 small tins of fruit
- 3 snack items
- 6-10 (wrapped) barley sugar lollies
- 1 plastic spoon
- 2 large plastic bags

Paparangi School – we have a new vision statement! After consulting with parents, staff and students last year the Board of Trustees has been working to revise the School Charter that sets out the strategic goals and learning priorities for the next four years. We believe our new vision statement “growing adventurous learners” sets high expectations for learners to be ‘confident, connected, actively involved, lifelong learners.’

growing Adventurous learners

Growing adventurous learners by

- Striving to be the best we can be
- Learning in a safe and stimulating environment
- Participating in challenging learning opportunities
- Making community connections
- Being curious about the world
- Being innovative and creative

Over recent years, learning has moved increasingly centre stage. A primary driver is the scale of change in our world – rapid advancements in technology, knowledge economies, global connections and a greater emphasis on the skills required to thrive in a community where many of our children’s future jobs haven’t even been created yet. Schools are reconsidering their design and approach to teaching and learning. What should schooling, teaching and learning look like in this changing world?

At the same time, research about how people learn, about how the mind and brain develop and understanding how people learn differently has expanded tremendously. This science of learning underscores the importance of “re-thinking what is taught and how it is taught ...” Classrooms and schools are working towards designing teaching and learning programmes that enable students to become confident, connected, actively involved, lifelong learners – with the student at the centre of their learning today and preparing them to be good citizens of tomorrow. We think being ‘an adventurous learner’ effectively represents the skills, attributes and knowledge required for learning.

We look forward to continuing to work with staff, students, parents and whānau as we strive to make Paparangi School a learning community where children are supported and challenged to be the best they can be!

(1: New Zealand Curriculum 2007, Vision Statement ; 2: Source: The Nature of Learning, OECD 2017)

School Online Payment System - KINDO

Kindo is an online payment system which the school uses for families to make payments for School Activities such as Field Trips and The Arts, School Donations and School Clothing.



Please refer to the following two links for further information or contact the school office if you require further information.

Updated flyer to remind you how to use Kindo, including images of our new look shopfront. [The flyer is available to download on this link.](#)

*** NEW USERS... If you do NOT have a kindo account already (here or at another school), visit this link to get started.**

<https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/handshake.shtml?shop=Paparangi%20School>



Board of Trustees Meeting	Monday 19 February, 6pm
Northern Zone Cricket Tournament	Tuesday 27 February
Y5/6 School Camp	Wed 28 Feb – Friday 2 March
Family Fun Night	Friday 9 March, 5.30–7.30pm
Northern Zone Football Tournament	Tuesday 13 March
Gully Gutbuster	Sunday 8 April

School Banking ASB

School Banking with ASB has started up again for the new year. Drop your child's banking off by Thursday each week. If you would like to open a savings account for your child please collect a form from the school office.

ASB Sponsorship for Paparangi School

Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

ASB lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. To be eligible for this donation your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property provided to ASB. This home loan offer is only available on loans secured by an owner-occupied residential property. Only one donation will be given per customer. Donations will be made by ASB on behalf of the customer to the chosen school upon full draw down of the new home loan. This offer excludes loans for business purposes and bridging.

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The **\$500 School Sponsorship Voucher** will be awarded for each customer that mentions our school and this offer when taking out a Home Loan of \$250,000 or more (terms and conditions apply).

Update from Home and School Committee

The Home and School Committee (a sub-committee of the Board of Trustees) are a passionate group of parents who are tasked with fundraising for special projects each year. For 2018 special projects are making improvements to the school hall and to enable our children to participate in extra-curricular activities. These activities are paramount to the development of our children and in boosting their self-confidence. Some previous activities have included:

- Educational Day trips – Te Papa, Zealandia
- Sport in the school (Coaches Fees and Uniforms) – Football and Gymnastics etc
- Dance in Schools with professional instructors

Upcoming events:

9th March 5.30-7.30pm – Family Fun Night

This night is aimed at creating a community within the school where parents get to meet each other over great food and fun games for the kids. Please lock this date in your diaries. Flyers and entry forms will be out soon. On the form we will be asking for volunteers to help with activities on the night in half hour slots.

8th April – Gully Gutbuster (run/walk event)

This is opportunity for our local community to benefit from a fun family event that promotes healthy living and has something for everyone. We anticipate a minimum of 200 participants in the Gully Gutbuster, 150 in the Kids Challenge and many more spectators enjoying the coffee and food stalls. Click on the link to register

<http://www.enteronline.co.nz/index.cfm?page=EventDetails&ID=5319>.

Prize Donations – for events and raffles throughout the year

If your company or one you work for would consider donating to our school, please let us know. We need vouchers and prizes for raffles, discount vouchers or goodies that we can include the in registration packs for our participants as well as for spot prizes for the event. We would be happy to put a flyer advertising your business into the race packs for any donations over \$100.

Ngā mihi nui

The Home and School Committee

Community Notices



Rotary Book Fair – 17 – 18 March 2018 from 9am

NZ Kennel Club, Prosser St, Elsdon, Porirua.

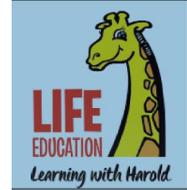
We need your pre-loved books for the Rotary Book Fair. Please donate books, CDs and DVDs to benefit your community

Donation Drop-off Points:

- Professionals Real Estate, Whitby Mall, Whitby
 - P & Z Decorating Centre, Lyttleton Ave, Porirua
 - Tommy's Real Estate, Mana Esplanade, Mana
- Contact Allan Nichols: nichols@xtra.co.nz or visit

www.plimmertonrotary.org.nz

www.lifeeducation.org.nz



Newlands –Tamariki Playcentre

Feel free to explore the Playcentre! Newlands-Tamariki Playcentre provide early childhood education from birth until school age. They are a parent-run cooperative, so you can be part of your children's play and learning. During the open week there is no need to arrange a visit. Just pop in to see the sessions in action. They are situated at 134 Newlands Road

Open Week : Tuesday 6 March – Friday 9 March, 9.30am – 12.00pm

Wednesday is our te reo bilingual session. If you would like more information please contact 04 970 5381 or newlandstamariki@playcentre.org.nz.