



PAPARANGI SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents, Whānau and Caregivers



Nau mai, haere mai, A very warm welcome to the following students and their families who have started at Paparangi School: Brody Ward, Piper Kirk, Harrison Cahill and Veer Lalwani in Uenuku and Cohen Monk in Pounamu.

Working Bee Notice



Calling all families! Paparangi School needs your help at the **Spring Working Bee**. Come along on **Sunday 23 September, 1-4 pm** and tackle jobs like painting, cleaning Adventure Zone, removing gorse and pruning trees. Everyone is welcome – bring gardening tools, cleaning equipment and your gumboots! Afternoon tea supplied.

Maths-athon

Well done to everyone taking part in the Maths-athon. It's been great to hear about all the counting, measuring and problem solving that has been happening. The maths-athon is a fundraiser and we ask that donations are returned to the school office by Monday 3 September. There will be a prize for the child in each class who raises the most money and spot prizes for other children. Many thanks for your ongoing support! We are fundraising to install shade sails in the school grounds. The Home and School have already contributed a generous donation from the last term's raffle so we are hoping we will be able to fundraise enough to have them installed in time for summer!



Paparangi School Enrolment Zone

The Board of Trustees have been working with our neighbouring schools to work through the process of implementing an enrolment zone. Schools in our area are experiencing roll growth and to help manage this enrolment zones are to be implemented. The schools who are proposing new enrolment zones are Bellevue School, Rewa Rewa School, and Paparangi School. Newlands School's current zone is being adjusted accordingly. A notice about the Enrolment Scheme was sent home on Wednesday and is also on the website or on display in the school office. Submissions can be made up until midday on Friday 21st September. The new enrolment zone will take place from January 2019 to begin from the start of the 2019 school year. Students currently enrolled at Paparangi are not affected by the new zone.

Board By-Election

The Board of Trustees is holding a by-election. With General Trustees elections due to take place in June 2019, now is a great time to start planning for the next three-year term. The Board is electing up to two people to join the current Board of Trustees.

We are looking for people who may have communication or marketing experience or would like to take up the Treasurer's role. However, these skills are not essential. What's needed most of all are people who have a passion to ensure as a Board, we do the best for our tamariki, delivering quality education, resources and learning experiences.

The first step is calling for nominations so start thinking now if you or someone you know would be interested in standing for election. Nomination forms have been posted to all parents today and will close on the 7th September. You can nominate yourself! Then the voting papers will be posted to parents on the 12th September so the school community can vote for the people they want to represent them on the Board. All voting papers must be returned by noon on Friday 21 September. The new trustees will take office on the 27th September.



If you are interested in getting involved the Ministry of Education has a great [introduction to what a board does and what does it mean for me](#). Please also feel free to contact one of your current Board of Trustees for a chat or email teressajm@paparangi.school.nz who are more than happy to answer any questions.

NZEI Teachers Strike

We thank parents for their understanding and support last week on the day of the nationwide strike. We appreciate that this was inconvenient for parents and students. Hopefully the message has reached the government and schools will see an improved and acceptable offer for more teachers, more resources for students with additional learning needs and an increase to teacher salaries to help address teacher shortage and retention.



Influenza outbreaks in schools

We have been advised by Regional Public Health of influenza outbreaks in a number of schools and early child education centres in the greater Wellington region. Please refer to the notice attached to this newsletter which provides important information to help reduce the spread of influenza. Alternatively please visit [Influenza brochure](#).

Road Safety

Thank you for the enquiries about road safety and taking action. We share parent's concerns about road safety along Mark Ave and Beazley Ave. The school has been working on this issue with the Council and active warning signs are on the way. These will be installed in the next month or two once the Council confirms the best location. We will continue to work with the Council to investigate further safety improvements and do what we can to keep our tamariki safe on their way to/from school. Please remind your children to use the school crossing when possible, at other times use the 'kerb drill' and to watch out for sneaky driveways.



Adventurous Learner Awards - Term 3, 2018		
Uenuku	Pounamu	Rakau Nui
Zander Lamont	Flynn Hunter	Maya Ford
Teodor Ciubotaru	Seth Azzarelli	Sayoomi Balaji
Skylah Dorrington	Hector Kaloyanis	Gordon Harrison
Subhadra Singh	Matai Styles	Caleb Chiet
Cooper Walmsley	Charlotte Gain-Mainland	Dante Carroll
Samuel Innes	Emma Corney	Jacob Coombs
	Masyn Chin	Ella Minchin
		Zoe Heney

Calendar Art

The students have completed their wonderful calendar art masterpieces. These are fabulous to have at home and make awesome presents, especially for Christmas. You can view your child's artwork via Seesaw or alternatively see your child/rens teacher. Order forms were sent home at the start of this week. The deadline for ordering is next Wednesday 29th August.



Calendar orders due	Wednesday 29 August
Northern Zone Swimming Sports	Friday 31 August
Orange Day Parade, Road Patrol	Friday 7 September
Bee Healthy Dental Service Visit	Monday 10 - 24 September
Board of Trustees Meeting	Monday 17 September, 6.00pm
Dance Splash Y4-6 Concert	Wednesday 19 September, 7.30pm
Enviro Day - all welcome	Friday 21 September
Newlands Schools Kapa Haka Festival	Monday 24 September
Last Day Term 3	Friday 28 September, 3.00pm
TERM FOUR BEGINS	MONDAY 15 OCTOBER
School Photo Day	Friday 26 October 2018

School Photo Day – Friday 26 October

School photo day this year has been booked for Friday 26 October, Week 2, Term 4.

Bee Healthy Dental Van

The Mobile Dental examination van is scheduled to visit Paparangi School on Monday 10 September to Monday 24 September 2018. During this visit all children will be checked on site. Any dental treatment required will not be carried out at school. An appointment will be organised for any dental work to be carried out at the Raroa Intermediate Dental hub.

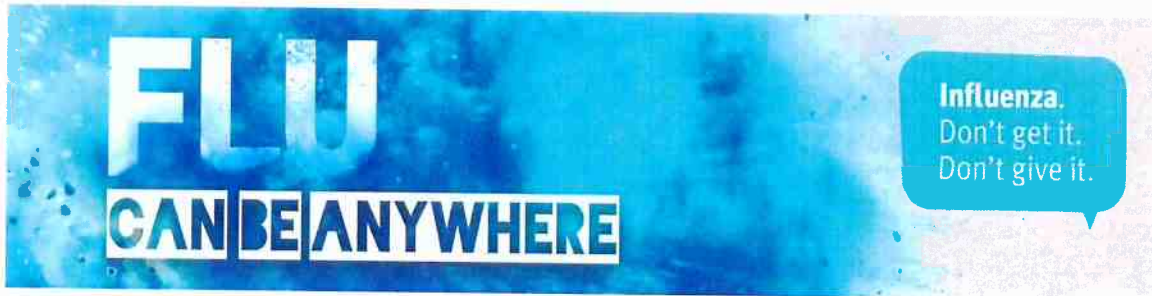
Community Section



Kelly Sports Summer Series Football & Netball 2018/2019 – Get your friends together and enter a team in our popular 5-a-side Summer Football or the Summer Netball Series. Played on Friday afternoons at Ian Galloway Park (Football) and Samuel Marsden and Vic Uni in Karori (Netball) beginning 26 October 2018.

A great way to maintain and improve your skills over the summer months.

To register your team go to www.getyourgameon.co.nz/kellysports, for more information visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201.



Information for parents and local school community Influenza outbreaks in schools in the greater Wellington region

Several schools and early child education centres in the Wellington region currently have an influenza outbreak.

The main symptoms of influenza are fever, cough and sometimes vomiting or diarrhoea in younger children. These symptoms usually last 3-4 days but can be up to 7 days.

The following information will help reduce the spread of influenza and assist your school:

1. Advise a member of staff if your child has an illness as described above.
2. Check that your school has your correct and up-to-date contact details in case they need to contact you.
3. Keep sick children at home until feeling well and free from symptoms (usually 3-4 days but up to 7 days). Sick staff and students should not be at social or sporting events, school productions or camps. This is so they can rest and recover and don't spread illness to others.
4. It is important to use tissues to cover coughs and sneezes and to be very good about washing and drying hands thoroughly. An [influenza brochure](#) accessible at www.rph.org.nz/influenza has some good tips for looking after people with influenza and stopping it spreading to other people at home.
5. If anyone in your family has influenza we ask that they don't visit hospitals or community care homes or see people who may be at high risk of serious illness, such as pregnant women, young babies, or anyone who has cancer, lung, and heart or kidney conditions.



If you are worried about your child's symptoms or they have long-term health problems (e.g. asthma, diabetes, kidney, heart or immunity problems), then you should phone their usual doctor or Healthline 0800 611 116 for further advice. Otherwise they should recover at home and see their GP only if the illness gets worse or is not improving.

Nga mihi nui

Dr Annette Nesdale, Medical Officer of Health
Regional Public Health

22 August 2018

Regional Public Health

HAUORA Ā IWIKI TE ŪPOKO • O TE IKA A MĀUI
Better health for the greater Wellington region

Influenza outbreaks occurring in schools

In the last week Regional Public Health has been notified of influenza outbreaks in a number of schools and early child education centres in the greater Wellington region.

The symptoms of influenza are fever, cough and sometimes vomiting or diarrhoea in younger children. Influenza spreads quickly in schools and 20-30% absenteeism is not uncommon.

To reduce further spread in schools and communities we advise the following:

1. **PLEASE SHARE THE ATTACHED INFLUENZA INFORMATION (PAGE 2) WITH PARENTS AND THE WIDER SCHOOL COMMUNITY.**
2. **Make sure everyone covers their mouth and nose with tissues when coughing and sneezing** and have tissues readily available.
3. **Make sure students (and staff) with symptoms stay at home until they are well and free of symptoms.** Students can still be infectious even when symptoms improve so ensure they do not return to school until 48hrs after symptoms have stopped.
4. **Encourage everyone to wash their hands regularly** and make sure they have the supplies to do so. Wash hands several times a day using soap and warm water for 15-20 seconds and then dry hands thoroughly. Alcohol-based hand rubs also may be used. Toilets should be checked regularly to ensure that soap and paper towels are always available.
5. **Put up handwashing posters on noticeboards and in bathrooms.** Posters are available at <http://www.rph.org.nz/public-health-topics/illness-and-disease/influenza/education-sector/>
6. **Clean surfaces that are touched often (door handles, bench tops, toilets, bathroom areas) every day.** One of the most effective and cheapest disinfecting solutions to clean these surfaces is a solution of household bleach and water.
7. **If children or staff become unwell while at school** they should be rested in an area away from others where they can be monitored until they are able to be taken home. Staff caring for ill children should take care to avoid becoming ill themselves by washing hands regularly after any contact and minimising close contact time.

To monitor illness in the community please notify Regional Public Health of possible outbreaks: In schools and colleges this is daily absenteeism of 15% or higher.

Useful information to record includes the number of students/staff with illness, the type of symptoms and whether the illness is occurring across all areas in the school. Visit [Illness log for schools](#) (also available at the above link)

If you have any queries relating to this letter please contact Regional Public Health on 04 570 9002 and ask to speak with a communicable disease public health nurse, or contact your school public health nurse.

Nga mihi - Dr Annette Nesdale, Medical Officer of Health