



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:

Uenuku	Nia Tulikifanga and Jade Tulikifanga
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Staff News

The Board of Trustees has appointed a new teacher to work in Rakau Nui next year. We are delighted to welcome Michael Heyes to the Paparangi Teaching Team in 2019.

Introducing Michael Heyes...

Kia ora, my name is Michael Heyes. I live in Newlands with my wife, Megan, and son, Jamie, and we have been here for just over 10 years. I have always lived in the Wellington region, apart from a stint overseas in the UK way back in the day, where I worked in the IT industry. I love getting outdoors around Wellington, doing a bit of mountain biking and trail running or playing football with my son.

I have had eleven years of teaching experience at Redwood School in Tawa and I wanted to experience a different environment in which to teach in. I've always liked the look of Paparangi and was attracted by the vision of Adventurous Learners. I look forward to working with the students of Paparangi and the rest of the Rakau Nui Syndicate next year.



Retirement - Liz Daniel

Our lovely Liz Daniel is retiring at the end of this year. Liz has been at Paparangi since 2009 and has made a huge contribution to our school community during that time. As our New Entrant teacher for many years she has forged strong links with the local kindergartens and child care centres. And as a result our newest tamariki have made the transition from kindy to school easily and confidently. She has been the driving force behind Paparangi becoming an Enviro School and then subsequently winning a Bronze, Silver and Green Gold Enviro Award. Her work as our NZEI representative has been much appreciated by the staff. We wish Liz all the very best for a wonderful retirement.



Tribute to Louise Urwin

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of Louise Urwin Wells. Louise was the much loved mother of Dre, Nykeah and Kiara-Lee and loved wife of Jeremy Wells.

Louise and Jeremy have been valued members of our Paparangi family ever since their two daughters joined our school. Despite a long and difficult battle with cancer Louise was incredibly courageous. She was always ready to lend a hand on class trips and was a regular supporter of school activities like sports tournaments, class trips and working bees. Also for some years Louise organised and ran the school lunches on Fridays. The school community wishes to extend their heartfelt sympathies to the whānau.

The staff and Board are putting together a koha for Louise's family. If you like to contribute please leave your donation at the school office.

SCHOOL CLOSED

All Day Teachers Strike - Friday 16th November - CONFIRMED

The NZEI has advised that their members have voted for a second strike on Friday 16 November 2018 and the strike has been confirmed to go ahead.

Therefore the school will be closed during the all day strike and no before or after school care will be available on this day. The Board thanks parents for their understanding and appreciates that this is inconvenient for parents and students alike, but please be assured that student safety is our main concern. Please do not hesitate to contact Teresa Jones-Madill at teressajm@paparangi.school.nz, if you have any queries relating to this decision.

Please support our Teachers by clicking on this link and like or love this post to add your name to the thousands of people backing our teachers

https://business.facebook.com/NZEITeRiuRoa/videos/2199750590295453/?business_id=1990225550997174

Newlands Schools Speech Evening

Congratulations to Zahra Bou-Saab and Jacqui Li for representing Paparangi School at the Newlands Schools Speech Evening held last week at Newlands Intermediate. Both speeches were very entertaining and informative and we congratulate them both on being confident and enthusiastic speakers.

Sustainable Fair

On **Tuesday 27th November** Rakau Nui will be holding a Sustainability Fair. We have been working very hard and learning new skills to create sustainable items. We will have a **garage sale** to find a new home for the pre-loved items we have been donated. The **sustainable items** we've made include reusable material bags, beeswax wraps, paper bricks, pen holders, paper bin liners, plant pots, christmas decorations and much more!

We will open the doors to the hall at 8:30am and keep the sale going until 3:30pm. There will be a chance for each class to come along throughout the day. There is a **sausage sizzle** at lunch time which you can order in the notice that came home this week. Please have orders in by Wednesday 21st November. There will also be a **bake sale** happening at morning tea and lunchtime so we'd love you to send along some money to support us.

We are still looking for donated items for the garage sale so please send along any toys or books you no longer have a use for.

See you there!
Team Rakau Nui

Johnsonville Christmas Parade – Saturday 1st December, 11.00am

This year Paparangi School is entering a float into the Johnsonville Christmas parade; the float will be both on a truck and with students walking behind. The theme this year is a “A Kiwi Christmas.”

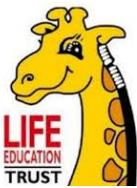
Thank you to those people who have returned their permission slips. As there are limited numbers you will be notified as soon as possible once the places for the parade have been drawn.

On the day parade participants will assemble at 10.15am at the starting point. The parade starts at 11.00am and goes for approximately an hour. Further information on meeting points and times will be sent to participants once numbers are confirmed. Any questions please feel free to contact Jess Dougherty at jsycar@hotmail.com



Enviro Day – Monday 10 December

Our Enviro-Day for Term 4 will be on Monday 10th December. We will be doing as much as we can to get the school grounds looking tidy before the holidays. The Eco Warriors will be sharing their learning through workshops they will be running for Uenuku and Pounamu during the day. These are on animals, sustainability, bird spotting and much more! They can't wait to share their presentations and activities. Please ensure your children are sent along with appropriate clothing and tools for the day. We will also be doing the usual weeding, planting and tidying up so any help would be appreciated. If you are keen to get involved please let your child's teacher know.



Life Education Trust Visit

Life Education is a charity that educates and empowers children to make healthy choices so they can live full and healthy lives. Every year they teach over 250,000 NZ children about their body, friendships and identity, food and nutrition, helpful and harmful substances. Paparangi is having a visit from the Life Education Van from Thursday 22nd to Thursday 29th

November as part of our Health programmes. Each class will have 2 lessons in the van with Harold the Giraffe and Kapa, the local Life Education teacher. The usual cost for the visit is \$4.50 per child but thanks to Home and School fundraising the school is able to offer a subsidy for every student. **Please send \$2.50 along in a named envelope to the school office or pay on Kindo by 22 November. Thank you.**

Lateness



School starts at 8:55am every morning and we expect students to be here before the day begins. Being part of the morning welcome helps children to settle into their day. Arriving between 8:30 and 8:50 is recommended. The electronic roll is entered twice daily by classroom teachers (9.00am and 1.50pm). If your child is going to be away or late please notify the

school before 8.55am by one of the following methods:

- Leave a message on the school absentee line; 478 6617 (option 1) prior to 8.55am.
- Notify the school via email—office@paparangi.school.nz
- Notify the classroom teacher.

If a child is marked as absent and the school has not been notified by the caregiver, the Office Staff will then follow up with a phone call as per the MOE guidelines. **Late comers who arrive after 8.55am must report to the office to let us know of their safe arrival.**

Paparāangi Kindergarten Access

The Paparāangi Kindergarten have scaffolding up at present. Please do not use the walkway between them and the school until further notice. Thank you for your support.

New Entrant Information Evening

Thank you to the parents who attended our information evening on Monday 12 November. We hope you found this informative.

Disco Thank You

Thanks to the Home and School Committee for running fantastic disco on Friday 2 November. This raised \$823.47. Once again thanks to the parents and volunteers who helped to organise this fun event..



Vision & Hearing

The Vision and Hearing technician will be visiting on Thursday 29 November at 9.15am. If you have any concerns about your child's vision or hearing please notify your teacher and obtain a form from the school office giving permission for your child to be tested. Thank you.

School Picnic at Waikanae Pool – Friday 15 February 2019

Our popular family picnic is scheduled for Friday 15 February 2019. We will be sending a notice home this term for families to indicate whether they will be travelling by bus or private car.



Lost Property

We have a lot of unclaimed clothing items at school. Please feel free to check the lost property located in Room 10 and the Room 1 cloak bay.

End of Year Assembly

You are all invited to attend our end of year assembly celebrations which will take place on Thursday 13 December at 9.15am. **Please note the date and time in your diaries.**



Adventurous Learner Awards – Term 4, 2018		
Uenuku	Pounamu	Rakau Nui
Arden Monk	Stella Richards	Jasmin Heng Press Ban
Piper Kirk	Esther Ravikumar	Lauren Kelly
Ryan Schwartfeger	Moulik Singh	Oscar Hearfield
Sophia Song	Anika James	Logan Hopfler

Whole School Swimming Term 4

Pounamu and Rakau Nui swimming lessons at Keith Spry Pool have started this week and are going really well.

Payment for swimming lessons can be paid via our school website www.paparangi.school.nz Kindo School Shop link or via the school bank account 12-3223-0115693-00. Please put "swimming" in the reference field. Alternatively please send payment to the school office in a named envelope.

We have had many queries as to whether there will be a refund for the swimming lesson on 16 November (Teacher Strike Day). Please note due to the school subsidising the lessons there will not be a refund for Pounamu/Rakau Nui. The costs were reduced by subsidising and buses making return trips. The lessons have been cancelled on Friday 16 November, therefore you are not able to take the children to the pool yourselves for their lessons.

Uenuku have managed to organise another day for their lesson, Thursday 15 November.

Northern Zone Athletics

On Monday November 5th a group of 34 year 4, 5 and 6 students went to Newtown Park for the Northern Zones Athletics. They had a stunner of a day for running, jumping and throwing against 13 other schools from the Northern suburbs. Everyone did very well in their events, giving their absolute best effort, cheering each other on, and even supporting other schools.

The teachers were very proud to see all of the Paparangi students on their best behaviour and out there giving it a go. There were a lot of very sleepy students on the bus ride back to school. We have 10 students heading to the Interzone competition on the 27th of November, to represent the Northern suburbs. Well done to these people and best of luck.

A reminder that permission slips must be returned to Mrs Spratt as soon as possible and we need a parent/parents to help with the long jump at this event or the group cannot attend. Please let Mrs Spratt if you can help out on the day or with transporting the students to the event and back again.



<i>Uenuku Swimming</i>	Friday 26 October - Friday 07 December
<i>Cricket</i>	Tuesdays and Wednesdays until 7 November
<i>Goodtime Music Bus</i>	All of Wednesdays and Thursday afternoons
SCHOOL CLOSED - TEACHERS STRIKE	FRIDAY 16 NOVEMBER
<i>Pounamu and Rakau Nui Swimming</i>	Week 5: 12 November - 15 November Week 6: 19 November - 23 November
<i>Rakau Nui Sustainability Fair</i>	Tuesday 27 November
<i>Vision & Hearing Testing</i>	Thursday 29 November, 9.15am
<i>Expressions of interest close for Out of Zone places for the first half of 2019</i>	Friday 30 November
<i>Y6 End of Year Trip</i>	Thursday 6 December
<i>Enviro Day Term 4</i>	Monday 10 December
<i>Board Meeting</i>	Monday 10 December, 6.00pm Staffroom
<i>Y6 Leavers Dinner and Ceremony</i>	Tuesday 11 December
<i>Uenuku Observatory/Space Place Visit</i>	Wednesday 12 December
<i>End of Year Assembly</i>	Thursday 13 December, 9.15am
LAST DAY TERM 4	FRIDAY 14 DECEMBER, 1.00PM
FIRST DAY TERM 1, 2019	TUESDAY 29 JANUARY, 8.55AM

Ngā mihi nui
Tracey Arthurs
Principal/Tumuaki

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