



Dear Parents, Whānau and Caregivers

Nau mai, haere mai. Ko te pai ki a koe, me tou whanau tenei Matariki hou. The staff of Paparangi School wish you and your whānau a happy New Year. Kia ora everyone, welcome back to all our families and a warm welcome to our new families who have moved to Paparangi School from near and far. We are starting the year with 251 tamariki across twelve classrooms.



Welcome to Our New Families A very warm welcome to the following students who have started at Paparangi School this week.

Uenuku (y1)	Ethan McErlain, Mataio Lelei, Jamie Wong and Josie Harris
Rakau Nui (y4-6)	Liam Maritz, Charlotte Kraiger, Rida Tahir, Jeffrey Xie and Victor Xie

Staff News:

A very warm welcome to Jane Reddish who has joined our wonderful team as our Acting Principal.



We also warmly welcome Amanda Newbery and Michael Heyes who have joined the Paparangi learning community. Amanda is team-teaching with Pounamu teachers in Rooms 1-5. Michael is team-teaching with Rakau Nui teachers in Rooms 10-13.



Pounamu Year 2 and 3	Rooms 1-5 Kotukutuku Kowhai Ponga Manuka	Clare Adams Sarah Grant Sam Diggin Jason Middlemiss Amanda Newbery
Uenuku Year 1	Rooms 6-8 Harakeke Rata Karaka	Ilona Szakats Trelise Curle Wendy Blue Hannah Common
Rakau Nui Year 4, 5 and 6	Rooms 10-13 Kahikatea Kauri Pohutukawa Ti Kouka	Jennifer Harrison Alisha Sprott Jane McKinlay Michael Heyes Loreece Vesty

Students are settling well into new learning routines with their teachers and classmates. On school picnic is on Friday 15 February. We hope as many families as possible can come along. It is a great way to connect with old friends and meet new families too. We are looking forward to a fun day at Waikanae Pool.



Thanks to everyone who has replied already notifying if your child/ren will be travelling by bus, private car or not attending. We have two buses booked for the picnic and there are still some spaces available. It is really important we know what is happening with your child on the day. If you have not already advised us please notify your class teacher or the office no later than Friday 8 February. *Families will receive a school text message and email if the weather forces us to cancel the picnic. Do we have your most up to date contact details?*

Emergency Food Packs Reminder

Please ensure all children have their emergency packs for 2019 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

Permission/Health Forms

These will be sent home next week for updating. It is very important that the information is up to date and correct and that we are able to contact you at all times. This information will be used to enable us to make sure our Emergency procedures are current. We would appreciate if the forms could be returned to the school office by **Wednesday 13 February** to enable us to process the information.

School Donations

Each year the Board of Trustees writes to all parents outlining the need for Paparangi School to ask our parents for a donation. Despite our growing school roll and the increased funding that this growth provides, there is still a shortfall between the funding provided by the Ministry and the budget required for running our school. *Please refer to the attached letter which contains details about how to claim tax credits for donations made prior to 31 March.*

You Initially:	Pay	Number of children:	Tax Rebate:	Your Net Cost:	School Receives:
\$130		1 child	\$43.29	\$86.71	\$130
\$200		More than 1 child	66.60	133.40	\$200

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.

Ngā mihi o te tau hou.

Regards Jane Reddish

Acting Principal/Tumuaki



School Closed, Waitangi Day, Public holiday	Wednesday 6 February
"Getting to Know You" Meetings	Thursday 7 February Monday 11 February Tuesday 12 February - Uenuku Room 7 only
Family Fun Night	Friday 8 February
School Picnic at Waikanae Pool	Friday 15 February, 10am-2pm
Board of Trustees Meeting	Monday 25 February, 6pm
Northern Zone Cricket Tournament	Tuesday 26 February Postponement Thursday 28 February
Northern Zone Football Tournament	Tuesday 12 March Postponement Thursday 14 March
Gully Gutbuster	Sunday 31 March

Community Notices



KELLY SPORTS TERM 1 2018

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 1 with their fun and exciting classes. Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go.

We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer young people; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, teamwork and gives them a place to channel their energy.

Back to School Sports! (Yrs 1-4) – Monday's 3.05pm-4.05pm - Come and try **Circus Skills, Cricket, Football and Dodgeball**. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more – all while having a great time!

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201.

Marrzipan Drama

Unfortunately this term they are unable to continue Marrzipan lessons at Paparangi School. They are hoping to start up again in Term 2.