

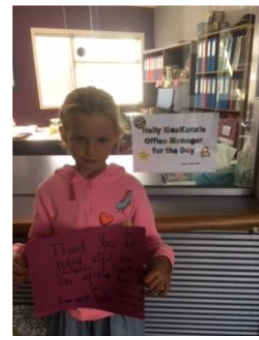


Dear Parents, Whānau and Caregivers

A message from the Principal and Office Helper of the Day



We liked visiting the classes and giving out stickers to lots of children who were making good choices. We saw kids concentrating on their learning, being friendly and working hard. Xanthe in R8 shared her great writing with us - it was the second story she had ever written in her book at school! We saw Room 7 listening to their big book, R5 drawing creative pictures and Rakau Nui at basketball shooting hoops. We liked putting up the posters about Pink Shirt Day on Friday and getting the mail from the letter box.



We delivered parcels to the teachers and we helped Mrs Arthurs get morning tea ready and to write the newsletter. *From Josie Harris and Holly McKenzie, winners of the 'Principal and Office Helper of the Day' Raffles at the Gully GutBuster.*

Strike Action – Advance Notice

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau

All Day Teachers Strike - Wednesday 29 May

The NZEI has advised that their members have voted to strike on **Wednesday 29 May**. Therefore the school will be closed 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.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Teresa Jones-Madill".

Teresa Jones-Madill, Chairperson, Board of Trustees



Celebrating Friendship Week – Pink Shirt Day

Paparangi was pink today! Pink Shirt Day is an annual global event which began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against bullying after a peer was bullied for wearing a pink shirt. Events such as these provide us with an opportunity to look at our whole school and how we can continue to create a positive school environment beyond Pink Shirt Day. It takes the commitment and energy of the whole school – Students, Teachers, Principal, Trustees, Parents, Family and Whānau, working together to stamp out bullying.



Defining Bullying

Whether bullying is physical, verbal, or social (relational), four widely-accepted factors can be used to identify it:

- Bullying is deliberate - harming another person intentionally
- Bullying involves a misuse of power in a relationship
- Bullying is usually not a one-off - it is repeated
- Bullying involves behaviour that can cause harm

Bullying can happen anywhere, in person or online (cyberbullying), at any time, and can be verbal, physical or social (relational). It can be obvious or hidden.

Kids who bully use their power — such as physical strength, knowing something embarrassing, or popularity — to control or harm others. Bullying is when one student (or a group of students) keeps picking on another student again and again to make them feel bad. They say or do things to upset them, make fun of them, stop them from joining in, or physically hurt them.

What is not bullying?

Bullying is a word often used to describe behaviour that is not actually bullying — not all verbal or physical aggression is bullying. For example:

- A one-off fight or argument, or difference of opinion between friends where there is no power imbalance and they can sort it out between themselves
- not liking someone or a single act of social rejection
- one-off acts of meanness or spite
- isolated incidents of aggression, intimidation or violence
- using sexist or racist terms but doesn't mean to cause harm
- theft: taking someone else's things once is theft but not necessarily bullying.

These other behaviours may be just as upsetting and serious, but may need to be dealt with in a different way. You will need to use your judgment to decide whether or not a specific incident is bullying.

This information is from the [bullyingfree nz](https://www.bullyingfree.nz/) website. There are sections for students, schools and parents. For more [information about bullying go to https://www.bullyingfree.nz/](https://www.bullyingfree.nz/)



Parent Helpers Wanted!

Oh no! We have no parent volunteers to help with Road Patrol on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. If you can spare half an hour once a week to keep our kids safe when crossing Beazley Ave and support our Road Patrol Wardens please contact the office.

Student-Led Workshops

We enjoyed hosting Student Led Workshops for families this week. Thanks for coming along to find out about all the wonderful learning taking place in our classes. It was great to see the children explaining and showing their parents what learning looks like for them. Remember our teachers are available to meet with you at any time during the year to discuss your child's progress and achievement. Written reports are sent home at the end of this term for Y2-Y6 students. Y1 students who have been at school for six months receive a photo story celebrating their start to school!

Vacancy: Minutes Secretary for the Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees requires someone to take minutes at their meetings - there are two held per term on Monday evenings. Please contact Tracey Arthurs at school if you would like to know more about this paid role. Key tasks include:

- Taking minutes at board meetings
- Typing and distributing meeting minutes to board members
- Filing
- Maintaining confidentiality

Teacher Only Day - Friday 31 May

School is closed on the Friday at Queen's Birthday Weekend for Staff Professional Development. Days like this are beneficial for staff who can work together in-depth on areas of the curriculum. This year teachers are working on the Maths curriculum and are working on

- Effective pedagogy in Maths
- Positive norms in a Maths classroom
- Launching and designing rich maths tasks
- Effective problem solving strategies
- Student talk and encouraging discussion in maths

Before School and After School Care will also be closed on Friday 31 May.

Teacher Only Day

School will be closed on Friday
31 May
for Teacher Only Day

Monday 3 June is a public holiday for Queen's Birthday. School will also be closed on this day.

Des Hunt - teacher, scientist and author



Last week Des Hunt came to our school. He is a kiwi author. At the start he told us a little about himself. Did you know he has a dog called Puku? He used to have a cat but sadly he ran over it. He told us that he was a scientist, teacher and an author. He has written many books, like his first one 'The Last Tuatara.' He was teaching at the time he wrote the book. When he'd written the book he printed twenty copies and gave it to his class for over the holidays. When they got back to school only four kids had read the whole thing!

Des showed us using science how we could make our stories interesting. There was one with a big ramp that represented the book and there were three magnets. The first one was the hook. The second one was the conflict for the main character and the third one was the conflict being solved to make an ending. He also used metal, glass and plastic marbles as readers. The magnets pulled the metal marbles super fast and flung the next one up at the end of the ramp. There plastic marble and glass marble went flying off. He blew up a balloon with until it popped to show how a story should build and build. It was really fun to watch and everyone was laughing!

Article written by Carly Bowman

Adventurous Learner Awards – Term 2, 2019		
Uenuku	Pounamu	Rakau Nui
Harry Cahill	Casey Mizon	Nate Oliver
Ashley Sigmund	Eliza Fulton	Tori To’oala
Jasper Waugh	Vincent Carroll	Jenna Parker
Ella Vautier	Liceth Osorio Garces	Kiara-Lee Wells
Sophia-Leigh Solomon	Payton Taufale	Esther Ravikumar
Xanthe Hector	Alexia Kaloyanis	Aleisha Bright
	Ayan Haider	James Lloyd
	Harvey Mitchell	Hunter Bullock
	Dominic Wu	Cameron Sigmund
	Luca Muir	Moana Rangihaeata

Basketball Term 2



What a fantastic time our tamariki are having learning basketball skills, working with coaches from Kiwi Hoops. The programme runs for 8 weeks, and classes have one session per week, on either a Tuesday or Wednesday. It’s great that students are making use of the newly installed basketball hoops outside Rakau Nui.

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Dances for School

We are very pleased to welcome back Dean from Dances for Schools in who started taking the children for dance lessons this week. ‘Dances For Schools’ is a curriculum based dance programme in which children develop social skills through the enjoyment of dance. For two weeks each student, with their classmates, are taking part in daily sessions led by experienced dance instructors. By the end of the two weeks, students will have learned a wide variety of dances and participated in a range of physical activities, whilst developing important movement and creativity skills.



Dances for School performance will start at 1.30pm on Friday 24 May (there will be an early lunch bell on this day at 12.45pm).

Students are performing within their dance groups throughout the afternoon. All Parents and Caregivers welcome!!

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Did you know in 2017 Dance for Schools filmed Paparangi students and their families at the Dance Concert? [Click here to find out more about Dance for Schools](#) and to see Paparangi kids having fun!

Wanted! More equipment for Adventure Zone - can you help?



We love Adventure Zone - the way it fosters risk-taking, problem-solving and creative play is amazing. Please contact the office if you have access to cable reels, pallets, PVC pipe offcuts, wood offcuts (untreated), tyres or other treasure. We'd love to hear from you to help us replenish the equipment.

Spare Clothing needed in Uenuku

If you have any size 5 or 6 trousers or track pants you no longer need can we please have them as spare clothing at school. Please drop them off to Ilona Szakats in Room 6. Thank you in advance.

Netball

The netball season is underway and a big thanks to the amazing *Jesters Pies in Johnsonville* for supporting Paparangi School and sponsoring Player of the Day awards for netball teams this season.



Student Sickness



There are several illnesses doing the rounds at the moment: diarrhoea and vomiting bugs and more chickenpox! Chickenpox has been present in the Johnsonville/ Newlands area since last term and Paparangi still has a number of children sick with chickenpox this term. Please watch children closely for symptoms and if diagnosed, keep them home to limit the chance of illness spreading. If your child has been unwell and vomited, keep them at home for 48 hours (2 days), after the last episode. This is important to stop the spread of infection. Do not send your child back to school straight away, ie the day after they have been vomiting – bugs like this spread very quickly in a classroom setting!

Paparangi School Cross Country

Our school Cross Country is next week on Monday 27th May. Races will commence at 11.45am, starting with the Year 1 students and finishing with the Year 6's. Parents are welcome to come down and support the runners on the day.

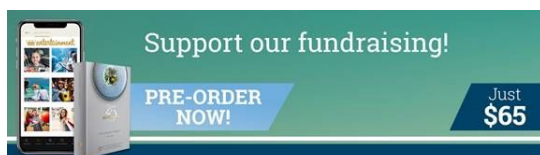


Parent Information Evening

The next 'Transition to School' information evening is taking place on **Monday 27 May at 6pm in Uenuku**. Parents and Caregivers are welcome to come along and find out more about starting school at Paparangi. This will be a opportunity for families with a nearly-five-year-old to come along and meet the teachers.

Enviro Day - Thursday 13 June

On Thursday 13 June we will be having our Term 2 Enviro-day! This is our chance to be kaitiaki, guardians of the environment - clean up our gardens and learn more about caring for the environment. Please send your children to school with buckets and their gardening tools. They will also need to wear appropriate clothing for getting mucky and ensure they are wearing warm clothing for being outside. We would love parents to get involved on the day too, so if you are keen to come along and garden with us, please let your child's teacher know.



Support Paparangi School! Get your new Entertainment Membership today - Paparangi School is fundraising with Entertainment Books! Your support this year will help the school to fundraise for Playground Equipment and extra curricular activities

like basketball, swimming and Dance for Schools. Payment on any unsold books are now overdue. Please return to school as soon as possible. Many Thanks. Purchase your 2019 | 2020 Entertainment Membership today! <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1043q45>.

School Trustee Elections



The School Trustee elections are happening now! **Nominations close on Friday 24 May.** Call into the office or use the form that was posted to you if you are interested in nominating yourself or someone else.

What is a school board of trustees?

A school board of trustees is a group of people who are elected to represent the school community. They are responsible for making decisions about the school's future, including the school's budget, the school's policies, and the school's overall performance. Trustees are elected by the school community and serve for a fixed term of office.

The role of a school board

- To represent the school community
- To make decisions about the school's future, including the school's budget, the school's policies, and the school's overall performance.
- To ensure that the school is providing a high quality of education for all students.
- To monitor the school's performance and to report to the school community.
- To ensure that the school is complying with all relevant legislation and regulations.
- To ensure that the school is providing a safe and secure environment for all students.
- To ensure that the school is providing a range of opportunities for all students.
- To ensure that the school is providing a range of support services for all students.

What sort of skills do trustees need?

Trustees need a range of skills to be effective. These include:

- Communication skills: Trustees need to be able to communicate effectively with the school community, including students, staff, and parents.
- Decision-making skills: Trustees need to be able to make decisions about the school's future, including the school's budget, the school's policies, and the school's overall performance.
- Financial skills: Trustees need to be able to understand the school's budget and to make decisions about the school's financial future.
- Leadership skills: Trustees need to be able to lead the school community and to ensure that the school is providing a high quality of education for all students.
- Problem-solving skills: Trustees need to be able to identify and solve problems that may arise in the school.
- Teamwork skills: Trustees need to be able to work effectively as a team and to support each other in their roles.

Timeline for the Election Process

Nominations close	Friday 24 May	Voting Papers sent	29 May
ELECTION DAY	Friday 7 June, 12 noon	Count Votes	13 June

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