



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: Uenuku – Oliver Wu

Move-athon Fundraiser

A very big thank you to all families who collected donations from sponsors. We have fundraised a whopping **\$6403.90** for outdoor play equipment – thanks for your support! A special thank you to the group of super-doooper fundraisers who received a small prize at assembly today acknowledging their effort:



Curtis Shipman	Grace Han	Sophia-Leigh Solomon	Vivian Han	Zander Lamont
Imogen Attwell	Kaitiaki Jahnke	Lila Virtue	Neva Flynn	Zach Hector
Daniel Williams	Emma Corney	Eva Williams	Leo Harris	Lucas Ng



Working Bee Thank you!

Thanks to the small group of families who spent the afternoon cleaning, gardening and painting on Saturday. The next chance to help outdoors is on Monday 9 December at the final Enviro Day of the year. Please talk to your child’s teacher about how you can help.

Thank you Morning Tea – Parent Helpers

We’d like to show our appreciation to all the wonderful parent helpers and friends of the school who support us throughout the year. If this is you please come along to a thank you morning tea on **Thursday 5 December at 10.45am in the staffroom**. Volunteers who help in classrooms, on enviro-days, provide transport, supervise road patrol, volunteer at working bees, coach our sports teams, and members from Home & School and the Board of Trustees are very warmly invited. We can’t offer all the extra curricular activities we do without our awesome helpers –what a wonderful asset to the school you are!



Leavers Assembly

Come along to the last assembly of the year where the Year 6 students and their contribution to our school are celebrated: Thursday 12 December at 9:15. Pounamu and Uenuku are holding their final assembly on Friday 13 December at 12:15pm. Parents are welcome to attend both events.

Enviro Fair - what a success!

A huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported the Enviro Fair. The hall was jam packed and excitement levels were at the extreme. It was so great to see so many people keen to reduce their impact on the planet by purchasing sustainable and eco friendly goods. The fair raised over \$2500, with fundraising going towards the end of year events and trips, curriculum resources for STEAM and play provocations. A special mention to the parents who helped on the day - we appreciate your time and effort and a great big acknowledgement to Loreece Vesty, our Enviro Lead Teacher for her vision and passion.

Team Pounamu would like to thank Rakau Nui for giving us the chance to have a stall at the Sustainability Fair. We would also like to thank our parents and students that gave so generously of their time to help sell our items. We raised \$786.60. we are looking forward to spending this on/with our students. Due to the popularity of our Bath Bombs we are going to make some more to sell towards the end of the year. We will also have a shower version for those of you who don't have a bath as well as a couple of different scents. We will have a stall up after school in the last week and we will let you know which day. Thank you again for supporting us. Team Pounamu



Enviro day - Monday 9th December

Next Monday is Enviro day! Please send your tamariki along with appropriate clothing to be gardening and tidying up the school grounds. If they have gloves, hand tools and gumboots that would be great. We would love your help so if you are keen to come along, please let a class teacher know. **Green Recycling Bags-** If you have any green recycling bags that you do not require can we please have these for school recycling as we have run out of our supplies. Please drop them into the school office. Thank you in advance.

Classes 2020

Information about your child's class placement next year will be sent home next Wednesday, the same day as the end of year school reports.

Uenuku	Y0/1	Rooms 6-8	Ilona Szakats, Michaela Jensen and Wendy Blue
Pounamu	Y2/3	Rooms 2-5	Amanda Newbery, Jason Middlemiss, Sam Diggins and Sarah Grant
Rakau Nui	Y4-6	Rooms 10-13	Andrew Edward-Paul, Christine Latimer, Jenni Harrison, Loreece Vesty and Michael Heyes

Next year children in Y1 and Y3 move to another block in the school to continue their schooling. For some children a change like this is warmly welcomed and for others the uncertainty of moving to a new space may create a few wobbles. To help parents to prepare their child for the next part of their learning journey, parents are invited to a guided tour of either Pounamu (Y2&3) for Y1 students or Rakau Nui (Y4-6) for Y3 students. During the tour you will see how learning is organised and find out about some of the ways the school is growing adventurous learners. Tours are running at the following times:

Year 1 parents (Y2 in 2020)

- Wednesday 4 December 10:30-11am
- Wednesday 4 December 2:15-2:45pm
- Thursday 5 December 11:30-12pm

Year 3 parents (Y4 in 2020)

- Tuesday 3 December 11:30-12pm
- Tuesday 3 December 2:15-2:45pm

Please go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and use the booking code **9h2yr** to register or leave your name at the office, indicating which time you are available for. Tour groups have limited numbers so please register as early as possible to avoid missing out on your preferred time. These tours provide opportunities for parents to find out more about how learning is organised and the learning approaches. If you wish to talk about your child's particular learning needs in particular please make a separate time to talk with your child's class teacher.

Reading Challenge 2020

The Super Smash Reading Challenge brings together two favourite Kiwi summer pastimes: cricket and reading. Read NZ Te Pou Muramura (formerly NZ Book Council) has joined forces with New Zealand Cricket's T20 summer tournament to get kids reading more books over the holidays. This reading incentive will run until the final T20 cricket game on 19 January. Sign up for the Reading Challenge by registering at reading-challenge.org.nz. The flyer containing information is attached to this newsletter.

Back to School Stationery 2020

We have signed up with Eeny Meeny for school stationery packs next year. This is a stress free way to order stationery for your child/ren for the start of the year and ensures they have the correct stationery items at the start of the new school year. A brochure providing details on how to order stationery will be attached to next year's stationery list which will be sent home at the same time as your child's end of year report.



Scholastic Book Club

A very big thank you to all the families who have ordered lucky books this year. We have received \$1850.00 in rewards from school orders. This is amazing!! Thank you to Megan Gill for organising the book club on behalf of the school.

Johnsonville Lions Christmas Parade - 7th December

Paparangi School is entering a float into the Johnsonville Christmas Parade - our theme is 'Enviro Christmas'. Our parade entry shows off our commitment to the environment. Parents have been contacted if their child/ren were successful in the draw to participate in the parade next weekend. If you have any further questions please email Jess Dougherty (jsycar@hotmail.com).



Tennis

Coaches from the Newlands Paparangi Tennis Club have provided FREE coaching sessions for all classes over the last few weeks. There is no cost to take part as the tennis club received a grant which enables Paparangi to be involved free of charge. We are grateful to have the support of the local community to run events like this. The last lessons are this week.



Year 1&2 "give it a go" sports sessions

After the success of the sports sessions last term, Robbie and Zoe will be running similar sessions on Sundays at 10 am for the weeks below. There is no cost for these sessions but if you could email your interest to zoe_ede@hotmail.com then we can get an idea of numbers. Come to the last session on Sunday 8th December.

School Photo Orders Reminder The process for ordering photos is:

- ❖ The close off date for all school photo orders is 5 December. Photo orders must be made online using your child's individual shoot key or by returning the payment envelope to school by this date to ensure delivery before the end of term.
- ❖ School Memories will send orders back to school in class lots by 11 December to ensure you receive them before the end of term.
- ❖ Parents who have not ordered will receive a last chance notice for online orders only.

Adventurous Learner Awards - Term 4, 2019

Uenuku	Pounamu		Rakau Nui	
Darcy Warne	Jeremy Zhang	Holly MacKenzie	Finn Love	Jenna Parker
James Robertson	Cameron Coetzer	Sophie Sherley	Kaleab Mekonnen	Jasmin Heng Press Ban
Zion Wilkie	Liceth Mejia	Saniyah Hussein	Felix Williams	Luka Campbell
Rory Jaggard	Jake Uy	Evelyn Davies	Liam Maritz	Louis James
Levi Scobie	Judah Malifa	Ryan Schwartzfeger	Moriah Victoria To'oala	Maddi McLachlan
Mason Prakash	Kaitlyn Blake	Sam Innes	Hunter Bullock	Lara Love
Savannah Ng	Kaylee Cooks	Jacob Palmer	Rida Tahir	Rowan Martin-Bond
Ashley Sigmund	Luca Muir	William Lloyd	Roman Zhang	Abhi Rachmanto
Jasper Xing	Eldana Mekonnen	Cooper Black	Moana Rangihaeata	Cameron Sigmund
Nova Urquhart	Max Horan-Blithe	Anika James	William Roberts	Mark Asistol
Jamie Wong	Joey Alexander	Ainsley Houghton	Anniyah Hussein	Emma Jones-Madill
Anthony Pintor	Angus Cameron	Leo Jaggard	Tilly Blair	Caleb Chiet
Noah Mc Gee	Liam Palmer	Izzy Sliker	Ruheli Chatterji	Vinayak Jain
Luke Jeffery	James Dougherty	Lauren Cree	Jason Kennington	Mackai Roberts-Hallberg
Caitlin Coezter	Tamati Kerr			
Cole Morgan				
Zander Lamont				

Term Dates 2020	Start Day	End Date	Teacher Only days
Term 1	Monday 3 February	Thursday 9 April	
Term 2	Wednesday 28 April	Friday 3 July	Tuesday 27 April (following Anzac Day public holiday)
Term 3	Monday 20 July	Friday 25 September	Friday 29 May (Queen's Birthday weekend)
Term 4	Monday 12 October	Tuesday 15 December *Please note earlier finish date than previously advertised.	Tuesday 27 October (Labour Day weekend)

Health Education at Paparangi School

Thank you to parents who took part in the Health Education Survey. 67 people participated which is 32% of our school families. The Board will collate the responses and report back to families next year. Congratulations to Kelly Neilson who was the winner of the 'thank you' \$50 grocery voucher.



Staff News

At the end of the year we farewell Clare Adams who is retiring. Clare has been a part of Paparangi School for many years, long enough to be teaching the children of students she used to teach! That's very special! Our school is a better place because of Clare's service and leadership. We are grateful for the many ways she has made a difference to generations of Paparangi tamariki. *If you would like to make a contribution towards a leaving gift for Clare and/or sign a leaving card please call into the office. Please let past students and families know so they too can sign her leaving card.*

We say goodbye to Hannah Common, Lisa Stratford and Jim McGurk at the end of the year. We thank them all for their contribution to our school and helping to grow adventurous learners in our school. We wish them good luck for their next teaching adventure! We also farewell Trelise Curle who is on parental leave for 2020. We wish Trelise, Leigh and Sylvia all the best for the arrival of their new baby due in February.

The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of new teachers for next year. Andrew Edward-Paul and Christine Latimer will be teaching in Rakau Nui (Y4-6) and Michaela Jensen will be part of the Y1 team in Uenuku. Read their introductions at the end of the newsletter.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jason Middlemiss and Hannah Common who recently graduated as fully registered teachers, having completed two years of provisional teaching. Paparangi is proud to be part of their teaching journey and know they are very well prepared for the next stage of their careers. Thanks to Sarah Grant and Trelise Curle for being amazing mentor teachers to Hannah and Jason.

Regards, Paparangi Board of Trustees



Uenuku Swimming at Rewa Rewa School	Friday 18 October – Friday 6 December.
Thank you Morning Tea - Parent helpers	Thursday 5 December, 10.45am
Year 6 Big Day Out	Friday 6 December
Enviro Day	Monday 9 December
Board of Trustees Meeting	Monday 9 December, 6.00pm Staffroom
Year 6 Leavers Dinner	Tuesday 10 December
End of Year Leavers Assembly	9:15am, Thursday 12 December
End of Year Assembly - Uenuku & Pounamu	12.15pm, Friday 13 December
Last day of Term 4	1pm, Friday 13 December

Introducing Paparangi's new teachers



Hi, I'm Andrew, and I live in Tawa with my wife Trina. I originally started my teaching career in secondary school music, but I retrained as a primary school teacher last year. I am excited about continuing my teaching career at Paparangi School. In 2010 I completed a Christian music degree majoring in performance drums and sound engineering at Vision College, and studied teaching at Waikato University. I am currently teaching music privately with a number of students. I believe that music is a tool to be used to bring people together and can be shared by anyone. I'm looking forward to bringing my passion for music to the students at Paparangi School so they can enjoy what I have to share.

My other interests involve a lot of sport, including cricket, soccer and rugby. In between my teaching roles I worked as a chef in a variety of restaurants and cafes around Wellington. Even though I enjoyed working in the kitchen, which is a hard and rewarding job, my main passion has always been teaching. My teaching philosophy is this: Being a teacher is about building reciprocal relationships with students and using this knowledge of student's backgrounds, whānau and experiences to enhance their learning to create a learning environment that is relevant to everyone. I look forward to getting to know the students, families and whānau in the Paparangi School community.



Kia ora! My name is Christine Latimer and I am excited to be joining the Rakau Nui teaching team next year. My passion for education and working with children arose from my own love for learning, being a mentor for younger students during college and, in more recent years, coaching children in horse riding and horse management at a local riding school and pony club. After completing a Bachelor of Arts, I embarked upon the journey to become a teacher at the beginning of 2019. In term 2, I had the privilege of meeting some of you and working with the students from Rakau Nui as a student teacher and thoroughly enjoyed my time here. A former student of Paparangi School myself, I am delighted to be able to come back as a teacher to work in a community and at a school which I am proud to be connected to.

Since then, I have been continuing to work towards completing my Graduate Diploma of Teaching through Victoria University including learning about matauranga Māori and specialising in science and visual art. I am thrilled to have been offered the opportunity to return to Paparangi School and am looking forward to putting all that I have learnt about providing the best possible education to good use. I am also looking forward to sharing my passions for the arts, english literature, science, learning languages and history with students, meeting and working with the whanaū behind these amazing kids and having a fun, learning packed year! Bring on 2020!



Kia Ora, my name is Michaela Jensen and I am delighted to be a part of the Paparangi School community for 2020, working with the New Entrants/Year 1 team in Uenuku. I really enjoy working with juniors; I have been working in a year 3/4 class for the past two years and am thrilled to be working with younger learners. I will continue to develop my student's passions, interests and creativity to ensure their mana is enhanced. My classroom will be a safe and welcoming space where students can explore, be curious, learn and grow. I can't wait to start our learning journey together and to meet all of you.

Community Section

Twas the Night Before Christmas – Holiday Programme – Drama Remedy

We have an exciting line-up for your children over the Christmas (18th, 19th & 20th December) and Summer (16th & 17th January 2020) holidays. To find out more visit www.dramaremedy.co.nz Spaces are limited! To enrol or for more details contact (04) 478 5962 or 022 027 3316 dramaremedy@gmail.com

ONSLow GYMNASTIC CLUB

Kids got energy to burn? Gymnastics is the answer! Have Fun – Learn Skills – Build Confidence! Onslow Gymnastics has Recreational, TeamGym and Competitive classes for ages 5+ years. Recreational Gym-for-All classes are held at Khandallah School Hall (ages 5-9 years) and Onslow College Rec Centre (ages 7-14+). No previous experience is required to join any of our recreational classes. TeamGym (ages 10+) brings together tumbling, mini-tramp and dance to provide an energetic and creative performance. Registrations for Term 1 2020 open 16th December 2019 at www.onslowgymnastics.org.nz or email us with any questions at onslowgym@xtra.co.nz.



CHIPMUNKS
Playland & Café

DROP & SHOP

**Tuesday 10 December
& Thursday 19 December**
4.30pm - 8.30pm

5-11 years

Games,
entertainment
& supervised
play

\$20
per child

Dinner
included

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