



Paekākāriki School

Home of the Barefoot Learner

Term 2 Week 1

Kia ora koutou,

This week we welcomed Kendra Hersche to our teaching team. Kendra will be providing release across the school with a focus on teaching visual arts. She has extensive experience as a primary school teacher and is passionate about the arts. We are thrilled to have Kendra on our team.

Rebecca Chisholm will be taking 8 weeks leave this term for family reasons. Ardis O'Connor, a Paekākāriki resident, and highly experienced teacher will be covering this leave and Jess Hortop will take over the performing arts work while Rebecca is away.

We have 2 new teacher aides supporting programmes in school this term. We welcome Reuben DeGroot and Ben Gunn to the team.

On May 12th we will hold the **Annual Garden Gala and Plant Sale**. Many people have been working hard behind the scenes preparing for this event. The Potty Potters work year round to cultivate, water and nurse the plants to ensure they are in the best possible condition for sale. The recently formed PTA have 'hit the ground running' and have plenty of activities planned for whānau who come to buy plants. If you can spare some time leading up to the event or on the day please get in touch with the office and they can point you in the right direction.

We look forward to seeing you all here on **May 12th** - it will a great Paekākāriki day out in the sunshine!

Ngā mihi nui
Julia

May/Haratua	
10/05	Get Stuck in bike trip
12/05	PLANT SALE & GALA 10-2pm
15/05	BOT meeting 7pm
13/05	Get Stuck in postponement date
24/05	Nominations for the Board close 12pm
31/05	Pouawha assembly
31/05	Learning Conferences 1 - 4pm

June/Pipiri	
03/06	Queens Birthday
05/06	Learning conferences
07/06	BOT Election day close 12pm
07/06	School Cross Country
10/06	DEAR week
12/06	Interschool Cross Country
14/06	Matariki Evening

Important Information ***

Please remember...

Before and After School Supervision

We appreciate parents' efforts in getting students to school at a good time in the morning. Arriving late is disruptive for the child, and for the class and teacher. Arriving between 8.35 and 8.50 am gives the student plenty of time to catch up with friends, hang up their school bag, hand in any notices, and be in class ready to start at 8.55 am.

For **your child's safety**, please make sure that they arrive at school after 8.30 am and have left the school grounds by 3.15 pm. We cannot guarantee supervision at school outside those times.

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Congratulations

The following students received Principal awards at our end of term assembly for their consistent efforts in applying the Barefoot Learner principles;

Neela and Mia Meeran, Alice Freeman, Annaliese Hill, Rosie Tarniki, Joe Whittaker, Alastair Judge, Alfie Crocker, Isla Michalak, Scarlett Gregory, Olive Giesen, Maz Lucas

Awesome mahi.

Curriculum

Gardening and Ngā Honongā ki a Papatūānuku - Relationships to Papatūānuku

We have a new project for Term 2 investigating the following relationships to Papatūānuku - Rongoā māori, Pā Harakeke and Cultural healing practices. More information to come, but if you're keen to get involved please get in touch.

Girl's Self Defence Project

Every 2 years our senior girls have the opportunity to participate in the Girl's Self Defence Project. This is a project that comes at no cost to the school or students and the feedback is always very positive. Here is what some of the girls said about their recent experiences:

Important because you never know what will happen and you need to know how to defend yourself

It helped me understand how important it is to know how to defend yourself. To be confident and strong against people that can hurt you and offend you. I really enjoyed this course.

I thought it was really helpful I definitely learned new stuff of how to protect myself

Important, helpful and fun. I think it is important because if something happened I would know what to do.

What's Happening at Paekākāriki School?

There are a few **key events** this term to be noted:

- During week 2 all teaching staff will be involved in Paid Union Meetings. We have managed to bring in additional staff and do some internal juggling which means learning will not be interrupted on these days.
- On Friday, May the 31st school will close at 1 pm to allow for Learning Conferences. More Learning conferences will take place after school hours on Wednesday, June 5th. More details about these conferences will come out in the next newsletter.

Music Lessons

Kia ora everyone,

Thank you for enrolling into music lessons for this terms.

When your school community was surveyed in term 1 there were 43 people who were interested. So far have only received 10 enrolment forms which is not enough students for the lessons to go ahead.

The breakdown of enrolments is

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INSTRUMENT	TUTOR	# STUDENTS ENROLLED	# STUDENTS STILL NEEDED TO GIVE EACH TUTOR 1 HOUR TUITION
Keyboard	Jill	3	1
Ukulele	Jill	1	3
Percussion	Fernando	3	1
Guitar	Fernando	0	4
Intro to Music	Yemma	2	2
Recorder	Yemma	0	4
Violin	Ann	1	7

To make the program viable for us each tutor requires a minimum of 1-hour tutoring. I would like to leave the enrolments open for the next 2 weeks to allow for more enrolments. **If the numbers do come in the lessons will begin on 12 May.**

Naku noa

Jill Duncan, Manager KMC

Netball

Our school netballers will take the court again on Saturday mornings. Many thanks to Naomi Ratana, Shona Davidson and Hinepoto Duff for coaching and managing the teams.

Wānanga Homework Club

Continues this term on Tuesday afternoons from 3 - 4.30pm. We have focus on working through the must do and can do work set by teachers but also let the tamariki guide learning and play. All tamariki welcome, nau mai haere mai.

Roof Replacement

The roof of the senior block is expected to be replaced in the coming months, unfortunately not as soon as we had hoped but it is still in the pipeline. There may be some disruption to classes but we will utilise the spaces as best as possible to minimise this disruption. Once the project starts the school garden will be closed.

School House Groups

	Wainui	Pouawha	Haumia	Miriona
Term 1	302	277	289	299

Soup in Our School

Kia ora Hapori - Soup Days are starting up again on Thursday May 2nd at our school. We are very grateful for the ongoing support of St Vincent de Paul Society for providing bread for our hot soup lunches.

As the new soup coordinator for the Garden group Paekākāriki School Elaine is **urgently looking** for volunteers to fill the rosters for the soup making and serving of the cooked soup. So if you like to help send her an email eshduff@gmail.com

If you have **any donations for the soup please drop them in the office, there is a box.** Here's to yummy soups for our tamariki in the winter months ahead.

From Our Students

Haiku Poem

Falling in blackness

The universe is changing

The future is bright

Stella Hermes Year 6

Thank You

A special big thanks to Nicola Cranfield for sponsoring the Artrageous programme in Ngā Kakano this term.

A huge thanks to Ben Nixon who kindly agreed to be our on-call caretaker in Term 1 when Mike was away for a week.

From the Board of Trustees

Nominations for the upcoming Board of Trustees election close on 24th May. We are looking for three new parent trustees to join the Board to replace three members whose three-year terms have now ended.

The Board of Trustees has one primary objective, and it's a really good one: **To ensure that every student at the school is able to attain his or her highest possible standard in educational achievement.**

If you want to help us achieve this, then please read the following information, go to the [New Zealand School Trustees Association website](#), and get a form from Raima or Maartje in the office.

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What the Board of Trustees does

The Board:

- Sets the educational goals and strategic direction of the school
- Monitors progress on how the school is progressing against its annual targets and
- Monitors the development of student learning
- Decides how the school's funding will be spent
- Selects the school's principal and supports staff development
- Ensures the school is a physically and emotionally safe place for all students and staff, and is inclusive of and caters for students with differing needs
- Oversees the management of staff, property, finances, curriculum and administration.

What skills does a trustee need?

Every trustee brings their own unique set of skills and experiences, and the Board works best with a variety of voices at the table. Your skills and experience will be valued and there is plenty of room for varying views and robust discussion. You may have an interest in special needs education, finances, property, communication, data analysis or health and safety.

Every trustee can access professional development to learn about governance and upskill in areas of interest.

Time commitment for trustees

The Board meets three times a term, on Wednesday evenings. You need to expect to attend all of these.

In addition, each member has a portfolio assigned to them in keeping with their skills: for example, health and safety, property, communication, etc. These may require extra meetings with different people, depending on whether projects are taking place that need your input.

You will also need to set some time aside for professional development, so that you get to grips with your role and the work of the Board. This can be via online modules or in-person training.

You are paid for your attendance at meetings, and childcare costs are reimbursed.

PTA

The Fabulous, Famous Autumn Paekākāriki School Plant Sale and Garden Gala is back! 12th May 10am to 2pm.

Come and enjoy the energy and make the most of our super low prices. It's the best time to be planting and we have thousands of plants going for a song. Natives, grasses, perennials, herbs, veges, flowers and more. \$10 garden tool sharpening. And our garden experts will answer your questions and give you advice.

EFTPOS is available at the office for cash on the day. Bring your own boxes, bags and trays (although we'll have some there). Add a gold coin koha for the Paekākāriki Scouts to deliver to your car.

Alongside the fabulous plant sale, the PTA has everything covered to feed, entertain and amuse all visitors! For all those early visitors, we'll be serving BBQ breakfast options (including vegetarian!), merging into a sausage sizzle just in time for lunch. And of course the famous Plant Sale Cafe will be back, full of delicious baking, biscuits and savouries to keep you fed as you browse the garden. When you need a break, grab a cup of coffee and wander the stalls selling bargains from art to beeswax wrappers to clothes and more. We even have stalls run by our fabulous students, so be sure to check them out!

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As the morning heats up, purchase a handmade real fruit Paekākāriki Pop and sit back to enjoy some live music, from Appalachian Mountain Music, to student singers, to local superstars The Travesties. And as always, the local radio station, Paekākāriki FM will be broadcasting live all day with student DJs running the show.

Bringing kids along? Let us entertain them while you do your plant shopping! Bouncy castle, miniature garden making, face painting, cupcake decorating, Mother's Day gift making, a garden themed photo booth and more! Plus, the amazing Paekākāriki Volunteer Fire Brigade will be back with their Fire truck with games and competitions for all.

Last but not least - the world famous in Paekākāriki Lawnmower Derby will back! This quirky hit of last year's gala involves entrants decorating, racing and running obstacle courses with their old lawnmowers - hilarious and entertaining, we highly suggest sticking around for this - or even entering yourself!

Like our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/events/440237360063167/> for updates and detail.

Rain day 19 May. If weather is dodgy check our Facebook page or school website for notice of postponement.

Call for baking!

The PTA are running a tea room alongside the Plant Sale on Sunday May 12th and we would love it if each family could contribute a plate of baking for us to sell alongside tea and cold drinks. To minimise waste this year we will not be sending out plates and bags this year but will return your containers to you when you drop off.

Please leave baking in the hall kitchen on Friday 10th in a named, sealed container, or on the day between 9-10am.

Cakes, biscuits, slices, club sandwiches, scones all go down a treat with our plant sale punters, let's give them more reasons to part with their loose change!

Any questions or offers of help on the day contact Lotte: lottekellaway@icloud.com

Bikes and Scooters

We are very lucky in Paekākāriki to have a safe community in which to cycle. Students and whanau who cycle and scooter to school please remember you must WALK your bikes into and out of the school grounds. This helps keep other cyclists and pedestrians safe. Students who wish to ride bikes at lunch time need to be wearing shoes and a cycle helmet.

School Gate Safety

For the safety of our tamariki all of our school gates need to be closed during school hours. Please make sure you close the gates behind you, thank you.

Calendar

To find out what is happening at Paekākāriki School please go to our [Community Calendar](#) - events will also be linked to the Facebook page.

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=paekakariki.school.nz_3i1d30lhk9begr3ferb8f4qack@group.calendar.google.com&ctz=Pacific/Auckland

2019 School Dates

Term 1 Monday, February 4th - Friday, April 12th

Term 2 Monday, April 29th - Friday, July 5th

Term 3 Monday, July 22nd - Friday, September 27th

Term 4 Monday, October 14th - Thursday, December 19th (Teacher Only Day - Friday, October 25th)

School Newsletter

Our school newsletter is published fortnightly, with all other urgent messages sent out via LincEd, email and/or the Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/PaekākārikiSchool/>).

Website

The school website has been redeveloped and will be added to over the coming months.

www.paekakariki.school.nz

Paekākāriki School appreciate the support of the following organisations who help us provide programmes and resources for our tamariki in 2018 and 2019.



NIKAU FOUNDATION

Ongoing things happening...

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Potty Potters

9am to 11amish every Friday. Come and make plants with us when you can and have all your gardening questions answered while you do it. We get plants ready for plant sales that raise money for kura. Sign in at the office. This is such a valuable contribution many wonderful people make from the wider community & is very much appreciated.

Garden Group

The Garden Group is funding for the second year in a row, free soup and bread each Thursday lunchtime throughout Terms 2 and 3. See above for more info on the soup. Urgently more volunteers needed for the soup making and helping out.

Wānanga

Our after-school wānanga is an opportunity for us all to share our learning and nurture our tamariki. It is on Thursdays after school from 3 – 4:30pm, based in the hall, library and outside. Whānau welcome to join in! With lots of hands on activities, through kai and korero, sport and play. We'll have lots of fun ways to support learning and build confidence. For more information speak to any of us, or email administration@paekakariki.school.nz

Fun Zone After School Care

At kura now after school every day. Please get in touch with Fun Zone directly if you have questions or would like to book your tamariki in. All correspondence should be direct with them – they will be doing all their own administration.

0800 5439696

<https://funzone.co.nz/paekakariki-school/>

Community news

Open days

SOLWAY COLLEGE OPEN DAY -SATURDAY 11 MAY 2019 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Our Open Day gives prospective students and their families and our community the opportunity to see what Solway College has to offer.

We have attached a copy of the details about our Open Day which may be of interest to students and their families in your school.

For your information we are an integrated Year 7 to Year 13 day and boarding school for girls. We are a small school with Christian and family values. Most of our students enrol in Years 7, 8 or 9. We accept students from all walks of life and our students have a wide variety of sports, cultural, service and academic opportunities.

We would be grateful if you could make this information available to those who may be interested in it. We would also be happy to provide further copies of the information should you wish it. Our website is www.solwaycollege.school.nz should you wish to refer families who are interested to it. We have also attached an information leaflet about our Solway Equestrian Academy which may be of interest to some of your students and their families in your school. For further information please contact Mrs Jane Borren - equestrian@solwaycollege.school.nz.

A Marsden Whitby education for your son/daughter in Year 9, 2020 - Open Day, SCHOLARSHIPS and enrolment information

You are invited to the Samuel Marsden Collegiate School Whitby Open Day, Sunday 5 May, 11am-1pm. This is a great opportunity to see the Marsden Whitby campus and find out about Marsden's Visible Wellbeing™ approach. There will be staff and students to talk to and our students look

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forward to showing you around. For more information and to register visit

marsden.school.nz/experience

Scholarships - Academic Scholarships for entry into Year 9 in 2020 are now open, **applications close 16 May**. [Information and applications are online](#).



Engage Your Brain

Mon 27 May, 7:30pm - 9:00pm

Adventure School. Whitby, Porirua - Mana

Adventure School are proud to announce that the host of the documentary "All in the Mind", and co-host of the TV Series "The Secret life of Girls", Nathan Wallis, Aotearoa's renowned neuroscience educator, is coming to our community with his talk - Engage Your Brain.

This talk focuses on the social/emotional aspects of your brain development – how feeling impacts our thinking. While the times that this brain really has the steering wheel is 2-8 and again in the middle of adolescence, it is relevant to all learners that want to feel engaged, enthusiastic and passionate about what they do. The fundamental mistake New Zealand society has made over the last few decades, is thinking that a two-year-old is a little seven-year-old and that the earlier we get ready to be seven, by learning numeracy and literacy, the better off we will be. That's just not how our brain develops. A large part of intelligence is problem-solving and problem-solving is hugely dependent on creativity. Creativity largely comes online, between the ages of two and seven, in a free-play, child-lead environment. Its development is inhibited if we focus instead on seven-year-old formalised literacy and numeracy. Learning is so much easier when the learner is engaged.

Come along and learn how to engage your brain.

Tickets are available at www.eventfinda.co.nz.

Get in quick as tickets will sell out.



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 @nathanwallisxfactorededucation

Parent Courses

Primary Years - Toolbox - Course for parents of children 5 - 9 years

What you will learn

In six sessions, typically run over six weeks, the Primary years Toolbox will support you to develop a strong and loving bond with your child, and build your confidence as a parent/caregiver. This Toolbox covers a range of topics, including the importance of love and connection, different parenting styles, understanding your child and their big feelings, discipline, boundaries, play and lots more.

This is a new and more specific version of our former Middle Years Toolbox. This course is aimed specifically at parents of children 5 - 9 years.

Topics covered

Session 1	Love is the foundation
Session 2	Parents
Session 3	Stronger, deeper, closer
Session 4	Heart-led parenting

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Session 5 Discipline without shouting, force or fluster
 Session 6 Putting it all together

Cost and payment

The cost is \$75 per person or \$110 per couple. However, our desire is that cost would never be a barrier, and we'd still love you to join us if you're unable to contribute in this way. There are many other valuable ways to contribute – like bringing a cake to share, or helping pack up. Get in touch, and we'll get you booked in.

Details

To book online go to www.theparentingplace.com/event/primary-years-toolbox
 For more information, please phone Jo Picot 027 343 9374 or email josilepicot@gmail.com
 The course run from the 15th of May till the 12th of June 2019.



**Hoop Club Kapiti
 Junior Basketball Coaching Programme**

TERM 2 2019
 Sunday 5 May to Sunday 30 June
 5 – 7 year olds 9.30 – 10.30am
 8 – 10 year olds 10.30 – 11.30am
 11 – 17 year olds 11.30 – 12.30pm

Paraparaumu College Community Sportshall
 Mazengarb Road, Paraparaumu

ALL NEW PLAYERS MOST WELCOME

Contact Coach Angelo Robinson 04 9040142
contact@hoopclubkapiti.nz



www.hoopclubkapiti.nz



Adult Basketball Scrimmages

Sundays 3.15-5.15pm
 Wednesdays will resume on 1 May 19 after our social league ends

Paraparaumu College Community Sporthall

Men and Women of all skill levels welcome

\$5 Entry

Contact Lindsay on 0276194636 for more info



www.hoopclubkapiti.nz

Other

Take your language studies seriously and experience French culture at home

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED IN JUNE

- ✓ Experience a new culture
- ✓ Learn a language at home
- ✓ Rediscover and share the beauty of New Zealand

Students from France will be arriving in early June who will live with a host family and attend a local private school for 3 months. All students have a wide range of interests and hobbies.

If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact Sandra Harders on 0800 440 079, +61448 286 461, info@studentplacement.co.nz

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