



Paekākāriki School

Home of the barefoot
learner

Pānui

Term 3 Week 3

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Guiding Principle #1

*Tūrangawaewae Belonging
I feel at home and can be myself*

This principle is the foundation of our local curriculum and guides our decision making in all areas of school life.

Belonging means that learners are supported to develop and celebrate a sense of self, that their individuality is respected, nurtured and celebrated. Building self worth, being inclusive and experiencing a holistic education are all key elements of the Belonging principle.

When we focus on these aspects of the learner we are laying deep, strong foundations on which learners can thrive. By creating these strong foundations we are preparing learners to be sure of who they are, what is important to them, what they need and to be equipped to make good choices in life. As with any foundation it is vital that this work is done well, using best practice, addresses the current situation and is not rushed.

As the parent of a 17 year old who has recently purchased a car I feel acutely the importance of these strong foundations and the need for our young people to be able make good choices in life. It is my hope that all barefoot learners will head out into the world with a strong sense of who they are and where they belong because with this knowledge they will be well equipped to cope with the challenges and opportunities life will bring their way.

Ngā mihi nui, Julia



IMPORTANT DATES

August 2020

11th August Learning Conferences
12h August Learning Conferences -
School Closes 2pm
12h August Junior Winter Tournament
12h August Junior Winter Tournament Postponement date
17th August Teacher Only Day
21h August Assembly

September 2020

3rd September Year 8 Immunisation
4th September Careers Expo
8th September Kāpiti College Open Day
8th September Regional X-county
9th September BOT Meeting
16th September Transition Evening
16th September Senior Winter Tournament
18th September Postponement date regional X-country & Senior winter tournament
25th September Miriona Assembly
25th September Last day of term

TERM DATES 2020

2020 School Dates

Term 3

Monday, July 20th - Friday, September 25th

12th August—School Close at 2pm

17th August—Teacher Only Day

Term 4

Monday, October 12th - Wednesday, December 16th

PLEASE REMEMBER

Please make sure you sign your child(ren) out when you pick them up before 3 pm.

Please make sure you let the office know when your child arrives late at school. Older tamariki can sign themselves in at the office.

This ensures that both the teachers and the office staff know where your children are, especially important in a case of emergency.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Welcome

Last week we welcomed Trevor James to Ngā Purapura - we hope you enjoy your barefoot learner journey.

Congratulations

To all of the students who took part in the interschool cross country last week. Rose and Isabelle McLaughlin made it through to the regional competition representing the Kāpiti district. Tino pai to mahi

Thanks to Matua Andy for organising our participation in this event and to all of the whanau who helped with transport.



Thank You PTA

We had a lovely community event with a bonfire and fireworks last Friday evening. Thank you to the PTA for the preparation of the hall, to Joe and Sam Buchanan for the wonderful fireworks display, to Laurence and Simon for the live music and to Jess Hortop for making this happen. And a special thanks to all of you who came along and helped make this event a special opportunity for community gathering.

Book Donations - Thank you

We received an amazing donation of books for our school library from Mary and Trevor, who are grandparents of one of our students at Paekākāriki School. We would like to thank Mary and Trevor for this generous donation.

From our Student
*Lily McMillan, our student writer
this year.*

Hi Folks Here is an interview with children's poet Pula Green

Hi pula, let's get into it how many books have you written?
16 plus a few anthologies

How many have been for children?

Six plus *A Treasury of NZ Poetry for Children*

What is your favourite book of yours?

Aunt Concertina and her Niece Evalina (out of print sadly!). It was a very long story I told my girls for years. I made it into a short sophisticated picture book and my partner Michael Hight did fabulous paintings for it. But I also love *Groovy Fish* (2019) because I got the cool titles from children all over Aotearoa. I might try that again!

What are your children's NZ Poetry Box challenges?

At the start of each month I set a poem challenge with lots of tips and starting points - this month colouring in poems. Any ideas for next month? Hmm! I think I'll run a spot challenge on my blog inviting children to think of one for September and will have a book for the one I pick.

What sort of prizes do the winners get?

I give away books but it's not competition. I just like giving books away. And I also pick some poems to post on the blog - which is so hard as I get so many. I write back to all the children.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PAEKĀKĀRIKI SCHOOL

Learning Conferences

REMINDER: Learning Conferences (Parent Teacher Interviews)

Learning Conferences with your child's whanau teacher take place August 11th and 12th. The school will close at 2pm on Wednesday, August 12th to allow time for these conferences. To book go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the event code **se8dw**.

Perform Musical

Next week we have Perform Musical visiting. We have enjoyed performances by this group over the last few years and this year we are looking forward to **And The Winner Is...**

This performance combines a love of reading and books with a celebration of diversity and competition! Students have the opportunity to watch a selection of the best New Zealand Children's Books come to life, they are encouraged to engage with reading in an active and energetic manner and reinforcing the idea of inclusiveness and celebration of endeavor rather than competitive results.

Junior Winter Tournament

The annual Kāpiti schools junior winter tournament takes place next week for all students in Years 5 and 6. Students enjoy friendly competition in netball, soccer, rippa rugby and hockey.

Skateboarding at Paekākāriki School

We have had the privilege to have a professional skateboarder come to Paekākāriki School and teach some of our students skateboarding techniques.



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Where did you go to school?

Whangārei – I love Northland!
My home province.

Did you enjoy school?

I loved school – especially reading, writing, drama, and doing art. But I did get bullied a bit. So school was sad and glad times. My favourite teacher was in Year 7 – he was a poet with a French name and read poetry to us!

Where you good at writing at school?

I was but I was really awkward at school, geek material, and teachers often criticised my writing because it didn't fit their boxes. Maybe that's why I love poetry – because poetry is where you get to do anything!

What is your favourite book, poem and colour?

Every room in our house has bookshelves and every shelf is full of my favourite books but I adore Kyle Mewburn's *Hill & Hole*. My favourite poem: cheating but all the amazing poems in *Roar Squeak Purr*, my anthology of animal poems by NZ adults and children out next year. Colours: blue for the sky, ocean, blueberries and green for the trees, tea, apples, broccoli. All my cups are green or blue. Even my jumpers. My granny-smith jumper is my favourite.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PAKĀKĀRIKI SCHOOL

Policy Review

This term we are reviewing the Learning Support policy

To participate in this review please

1. Visit the website <https://paekakariki.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>
2. Enter the username (paekakariki) and password (wellington).
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type "Parent".
7. Enter your name (optional).
8. Submit your ratings and comments.
9. If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form

Solar Panels for the month of July

Your **Carbon Offset** for this month: 564 lbs

You have offset the equivalent of: **7 Trees**



CURRICULUM

SCHOOL HOUSE GROUPS

Congratulations to **Miriona** for winning the **Term 2 2020** House Challenge.

Wainui

(House colours: Blue & Silver)

Term 1: 386

Term 2: 116

Term 3:

Term 4:

Pouawha

(House colours: Green & Grey)

Term 1: **456**

Term 2: 129

Term 3:

Term 4:

Haumia

(House colours: Black & White)

Term 1: 318

Term 2: 116

Term 3:

Term 4:

Miriona

(House colours: Red & Gold)

Term 1: 425

Term 2: **165**

Term 3:

Term 4:

Learning Experiences Funding

We have set up a Give-a-little page to support tamariki to participate in extra curricular activities that some whānau struggle to afford. We'd love to buy wet weather gear so pupils can stay warm and dry outdoors while tramping or on a nature trip. It's also for things like admission or transport costs, such as visiting a Wellington museum. Funds raised will go towards enabling all kids to enjoy education outside the classroom. If your wider whānau or friends may be interested in supporting this, please share <https://givealittle.co.nz/org/paekakariki-school>

From the Board of Trustees

The Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Sarah Lloyd who has been elected as the new Chair of the Paekākāriki School Board of Trustees.

We would also like to thank outgoing Chair Liz Kennedy and recognise her contribution to our school. She has stepped down as Chair and from the Board after over three years as a trustee member.

Nicola Tutt joined the board in June last year and will support Sarah as the Deputy Board Chair.

Sarah says she is excited to take up the role of Board Chair after being a part of the school community for 9 years with daughters Amelie (now at college) and Sofia (Year 7).

"I'm looking forward to working with the Board on the governance of the school and to build on the great work of our previous chairs. I am grateful that I have been given this opportunity and I will work hard at supporting the Board and kura," she says.

SCHOOL NOTICES

School Lunches Price List

Pies:	\$3.50
(Mince, Steak and Cheese, Potato Top)	
Pies (Veg):	\$4.00
(Mex & Korma)	
Wraps	\$4.00
(Butter Chicken)	
Pizza	\$3.00
(Hawaiian)	
Spinach Rolls	\$3.00
Sausage Rolls	\$2.50

School Newsletter

Our school newsletter is published fortnightly on a Friday with all other urgent messages sent out via LincEd, email and/or the Facebook page

(<https://www.facebook.com/PaekākārikiSchool/>).



BYOD

Norrcom are our technology support providers and have a new arm of their business providing devices for students in schools with a BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) option. To find out more about this service for our community go to <https://www.byod.co.nz/devices/paekakariki-school/> and enter the following password: 25MQDZ

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 or scooters at lunch time need to be wearing shoes and a helmet.

Report an Absence

To inform the school that your child will be absent you can either call us on 04-2928205 or via our new website; <https://paekakariki.school.nz/> Select Report Absence, fill out the form and press send.

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_3i1d30lhk9begr3ferb8f4aack@group.calendar.google.com&ctz=Pacific/Auckland

Lunches

All orders are made via our online order form. <https://tinyurl.com/y7enf6jc> It can also be found on our website and Facebook page Lunch is sold on a Friday. Tamariki can choose from Pies, Pizza, Wraps and Sausage Rolls. Some vegetarian options available. Sausages are back on the Wednesday. Pop into the office to order yours.

Fun Zone

ON SITE After School Care @ Paekākāriki School - Fun Zone Enrolments now open for 2020.

We are open till 7 pm! Our fun, safe and friendly 'on site' After School Care Programmes has casual and permanent spots available for your children in 2020. It is easy to enrol and book online!

For more information contact us on www.funzone.co.nz/after-school-care or contact our friendly team via email of Freephone; alternatively you can come and visit our team after school room 5 from 3 pm for an enrolment form.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Rail Safety Week

Rail safety week 10-16 August - Cross with Care | Kia tūpato te whakawhiti

Rail Safety Week aims to reduce near miss collisions on level crossings. Every near miss is a traumatic event and has a very real impact on the locomotive engineers, the witnesses involved and on those who nearly lost their lives. Never cross when bells or lights are activated and always look carefully in both directions before crossing. Be especially careful to look for a second train. If one train has stopped at a station another one could be coming. For those families interested, have a look at this [Rail Safety Virtual Field trip](#) information that was shared with participating schools in 2019. Visit the [Tracksafe website](#) for more information.

Have you downloaded our School app yet?

Never miss important school information again!



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- ✓ Notices
- ✓ Instant school messages
- ✓ Absentee
- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ Permission Slips



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