



Paekākāriki School

*Home of the barefoot
learner*

Pānui

Term 1 Week 1

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Nau mai haere mai,

Welcome to a new school year at Paekākāriki School.

We are excited about the start of another school year. Our learning environment and curriculum is action packed and varied making this a very exciting place to be a learner! We have lots of exciting activities planned for Term 1 where we hope to make the most of the outdoors and the good weather.

We try to keep the start of the year as relaxed as possible, to give everyone time to adjust to being back into routines in the hottest weather! Thanks to our wonderful caretaker who has worked hard over the holidays, the pool is open and children have the opportunity to swim everyday. Further on in the newsletter is information about getting a pool key for use outside of school hours. We have our school swimming sports, held at Waikanae Pool on Wednesday March 10th and more information will come home closer to this date.

Please make sure you connect with your child's whanau teacher and check in with them if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you all at the Whanau picnic on Wednesday February 17th. Remember to make use of the school calendar, the school Facebook page and Hero to keep up to date with all the important information about what is happening at Paekākāriki School.

Ngā mihi nui,

Julia



IMPORTANT DATES

*Please note all dates are subject to
Covert-19 regulations and can
change.*

February 2021

8th Feb Waitangi Day - school
closed

10th Feb PTA meeting

17th Feb Whanau Picnic

24th Feb BOT Meeting

March 2021

4th March Teina Camp

5th March Assembly

8th March Teacher Only Day -
School Closed

10 March School Swimming Sports

31st March BOT Meeting

April 2021

2 April - Good Friday - School
Closed

5th & 6th April - Easter - School
Closed

7th April PTA Meeting

8th April Interschool Swimming

16th April Assembly

16th April Last Day Term 1

May 2021

3rd March Teacher Only Day

4th March Term 2 starts

TERM DATES 2021

2021 School Dates

Term 1

Wednesday, February 3rd
- Friday, April 16th

Easter: April 2nd till Tuesday
the 6th

Term 2

Tuesday, 4th May - Friday
9th July

Term 3

Monday, 26th July - Friday
1st October

Term 4

Monday 18 October -
Thursday 16th December

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Sun Safe

During Term 1 & 4 all children will be required to wear a sunhat while playing outside.

We recommend that tamariki also have sunscreen on before they come to school. We supply sunscreen at school for re-application during the day.

Lunch Orders & Sausages

Lunch orders will be back starting this Friday. We will continue with our online ordering system through google forms. You will find the link below and on our website.

You will need to put in a separate order for each of your children and orders will need to be in by 8.45 on the Friday. You can order at any time in the week. Prices vary from \$2.50 to \$4.00 and can be found on the form.

There are different payment options available for you, if you have any questions about these pop into the office.

Pie Order form: <https://forms.gle/A7oDS2MrHFoERSmDg>

Sausages can be ordered from next Wednesday and cost \$2.00 each. Pop into the office to order and pay.

Welcome

This week we welcomed into Te Kohanga Iris Christeller who joins her big sister Lauren, Angus McKay who joins his big sister Elvira and Tara Martin, Laken Flynn and Nixon McLean.

We also welcomed Archer Phillips into Ngā Kakano, and River Coyote and Xavier Jurgenson into Ngā Purapura. We hope you all have a wonderful time at Paekākāriki School.

Positive Behaviour for learning (PB4L) - Barefoot Learner Focus

For the next couple of weeks we are focusing on Whanaungatanga - A sense of belonging. What will it look like? - Getting to know one another. How do we do it? - Be comfortable in introducing ourselves, sharing who we are, taking part in the mihi Whakatau.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Congratulations

Congratulations to all of last years Award winners.

School Awards

Maoritanga ~ River Kennedy-Martel & Rowan Smith

Sport ~ Romy Lee & Rowan Smith

Arts ~ Romy Lee & Arthur Kahl

Citizenship ~ Kira Jonas

Earth Angel ~ Izaak Jones

Barefoot Learner ~ Frida Morley-Hall

Kahikitea Teina ~ Tui Krivan-Wall

Kahikitea Tuakana ~River Kennedy-Martel

Year 8 Awards

Math ~ Charlie Simpson

Literacy ~ Frida Morley-Hall

Most Consistent - Belonging ~ Eva Rozing

Most Consistent - Connecting ~ Rhys Baker

Most Consistent - Exploring ~ Esme Bainbridge

Most Consistent - Thriving ~ Annaliese Hill

Most Improved ~ Tyler McLoughlin, Alex Morgan,
Anahera Chapple & Maya King-Morar

Leslie Duncan Literacy ~ Hinauri Kingi

Most Academic Boy ~ Josef Mountjoy

Most Academic Girl ~ Lily Andreas

Special Principal Award ~ Milla Thorns & Jacob Bloom

Barefoot Learner Awards - Teina

Belonging ~ Eleanor Kennedy & Misha Godden-McMullen

Connecting ~ JahKahn Piper & Kobe Tuilleila

Exploring ~ Maia Martin & Elvira Martin-Mathers

Thriving ~ Alex Dawson & Alayna Beesley

Barefoot Learner Awards - Tuakana

Belonging ~ Cadence Nixon & Saana Martin

Connecting ~ Eloise Judge & Jack Gregory

Exploring ~ Alfie Crocker & Amelia Nelson

Thriving ~ Aneke Kilbride & Lily McMillan

2020 Student Leaders

Welcome and congratulations to all of our 2021 student leaders;

Miriona ~ Louis D. & Saana

Pouawha ~ Rātā & Sofia

Haumia ~ Jack G. & Pearl

Wainui ~ Amelia & Jasmin

Arts and Citizen ~ Kyon, Lily & Rose

Sports ~ Eloise, Martha, Jacob C., Kailash & Kade

Math ~ Alfie C.

Literacy ~ Saana

Enviro ~ Ana

Tech ~ Eloise, Martha & Arthur

From our Student

Saana Martin, *our student writer for 2021.*

Hi, I am Saana the Student Writer for this year.

Welcome to the school year of 2021, I hope you all had an amazing Christmas holiday!

During the holidays I went on a car trip with my family to Napier where we stayed with some friends. Then we went to Tolaga Bay where we went camping and saw the Tolaga Bay wharf which is said to be the longest wharf in New Zealand being 660 meters long. I've since found out that it's actually less than half the length of Tiwai wharf in Southland which is 1500 meters long!

After that, we went to Ohope beach to stay with some other friends and then drove to Whitianga where we stayed at an air b&b and went to hot water beach which is a beautiful beach with hot springs under the sand so that when you dig a hole the water underneath is hot.

After we went to Whitianga we drove home, but there was a crash just south of Levin and a huge traffic jam so we turned around to stay at a friend's house for dinner until the traffic cleared.

I hope you have an incredible school year in 2021 and am looking forward to writing some more for you.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PAEKĀKĀRIKI SCHOOL

Whanau Picnic Wednesday February 17th

- Classrooms open at 4pm to meet teachers etc.
- 5pm welcome and picnic
- PTA providing vege nachos
- Pool open for families to supervise their own children. No one is to use the pool unsupervised.

School Pool

The school pool is up and running during Term 1. Each class will use the pool during the day. We would also like to open up the pool during lunchtimes. To do so we require parent help. If you are able to help out during lunchtimes from 1 till 1.50pm please contact the office administration@paekakariki.school.nz

It is also possible to use the pool after school hours. The cost for a pool key is \$30 for the term. All Tamariki will require supervising from an adult, 18 years or over, at all times.

Property

2020 was a really challenging year in so many ways and school property did not escape these challenges.

1. The roofing project has now been completed and signed off.
2. We have new carpet in Rooms 7 and 8, in the withdrawal room and the shared Pod space.
3. The upgrade to rooms 3 and 4 went to tender in Term 4 with no responses. We are currently working with our property manager to find builders who are able to carry out this work, including the building of an outdoor learning space at the back of Ngā Purapura.
4. We have sought grant money to build a new senior playground and hope to find out soon whether we have been successful.
5. The Pā Harakeke is another project where we have struggled to find contractors for. I am working with Victoria University staff again to see if we can modify the design and get some action.
6. The large gum tree on the neighbouring property near the pool has been cut down.

Some of these projects may require whanau support in the way of skills, equipment and/or labour. Please keep an eye out for communications about these things as we'd really like to see some progress on these wonderful projects.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PAEKĀKĀRIKI SCHOOL

Staffing for 2021

Te Kohanga.

Fiona Warring and Jane Stent are working in Te Kohanga with Lisa Button's support in her Teacher Aide role.

Ngā Kākano

Judith Smith and Sue Gent are the key teachers in this team. They are supported by Jill Mazey and Lisa Button.

Ngā Purapura

Rachel McMullen, Andy Laurenson, Jess Hortop, Rebecca Chisholm and Julia Bevin are the key members of this teaching team. They are supported by Naomi Ratana, Donna Barr, Jill Mazey, Brendon Harris and Anna Maria O'Brien.

Special Programmes

Kendra Hersche will provide release for teachers across the school and shares her love of and skill in visual arts with the team.

Rebecca Chisholm provides release for the Deputy Principals and shares her love of and skill in performing arts with the team.

Miriama Te One is working on Wednesdays to support a focus on Matauranga Māori

Support Staff

Maartje Schouten will be working in the office from Wednesday through to Friday.

Raima Kingi will be working in the office on Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday she leads the gardening programme and on Thursday the Kapa Haka programme.

Donna Barr continues in her role as librarian.

Mike Stringfellow continues as caretaker and Naomi Ratana as cleaner.

Brendon Harris continues in his role as Teacher Aide supporting special programmes.

CURRICULUM

Student Achievement 2020

One of the key aspects of our local curriculum and the Barefoot Learner matrix is about developing strong foundation skills for our learners, preparing them for their next steps and supporting them to achieve their full potential. Twice a year we dig into our student achievement information and analyse how our students are performing and progressing in relation to the NZ Curriculum. Below is a brief summary of the end of year 2020 data. We are very pleased with these results given the disrupted year we had. This data is similar to our 2019 data in literacy with an increase in our math results, and well above the average national results. Please get in touch if you'd like to read the full report.

Curriculum Area	Belonging	Connecting	Exploring	Thriving	Reading	Writing	Maths
% of students At or Above expectation	99%	99%	99%	99%	88%	89%	88%

Play Day Week 3 - Monday 15th Feb

Our whole school play day involves all learners across the syndicate coming together and playing alongside each other.

Study after study has affirmed the importance of play in children's physical and mental health. It helps boost language development, problem-solving, risk management and independent learning skills. Play is linked to improvements in academic skills, classroom behaviour, healthy emotional attitudes and better adjustment to school life.

Our play day fits with all our **Barefoot Learner Values**

Belonging - *I can work with people I know and I'm learning to work with people I don't know in a kind and friendly way.*

Connecting- *I care for and show kindness towards my friends and others in our kura, (sometimes learners who are older than me (Tuakana) and sometimes learners who are younger than me (Teina)).*

Exploring- *I am a confident, curious and playful learner. I can use strategies to solve problems and figure things out.*

Thriving - *I know that to be successful I need to work with others.*

SCHOOL HOUSE GROUPS

Congratulations to **Wainui** for winning the **Term 4** House Challenge.
And Contradulations to **Miriona** for winning the **2020 House Challenge**.

Wainui
(House colours: Blue & Silver)

Term 1:

Term 2:

Term 3:

Term 4:

Pouawha
(House colours: Green & Grey)

Term 1:

Term 2:

Term 3:

Term 4:

Haumia
(House colours: Black & White)

Term 1:

Term 2:

Term 3:

Term 4:

Miriona
(House colours: Red & Gold)

Term 1:

Term 2:

Term 3:

Term 4:

CURRICULUM

2020 House Points

	Wainui	Pouawha	Haumia	Miriona
Term 1	386	456	318	425
Term 2	116	129	116	165
Term 3	43	42	34	38
Term 4	51.16	50.46	43.69	50.49
Overall	596.16	677.46	511.69	678.49

Congratulations to **Miriona** for winning the 2020 House challenge

BYOD

Norcom 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

Policy Review

This term we have 1 policy to be reviewed;

Home Learning

To participate in this review please

Visit the website

<https://paekakariki.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>

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

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 Thursday with all other urgent messages sent out via Hero, email and/or the Facebook page

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



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.

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.

Website

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

www.paekakariki.school.nz

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/>

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Select Report Absence, fill out the form and press send.

School Lunches and Sausages

School lunches are available on a Friday. Orders can be made via Google Forms at any time during the week but need to be in before 8.45 on a Friday. <https://forms.gle/A7oDS2MrHFoERSmDg>
Sausages can be ordered at the office on a Wednesday before school.

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

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

ENROLMENTS ARE OPEN FOR KAPITI MUSIC CENTRE

We offer affordable music lessons with top musicians and music teachers and We also offer cheap instrument hire. Please check out our website www.kapitimusiccentre.org.nz for all our details.

Or you can email Sherelyn Langerveld at admin@kapitimusiccentre.org.nz and she

Will be happy to answer any of your questions.

All enrolments are done online and a music teacher will get in contact with you Once they've received it.

Our lessons for 2021 commence on the week of February 22nd at Te Raukura Centre, Which is attached to Kapiti College in Raumati.

SCIENCE CLUB IS BACK at the Raumati Technology Centre (RTC): Dr Sarah Kenworthy (a teacher at RTC) will be running Science Club Term 1 for Years 5 to 8. Starting on Thursday 18th February for 8 weeks. It will be at RTC (135 Hillcrest Road, Raumati) from 4.45 to 6.00 pm. The cost will be \$120. We will be doing exciting, hands on experiments each week with interesting stuff to bring home. Please contact Sarah Kenworthy on sarahthescientist@xtra.co.nz or 021 022 29002 to book a place or for more information.

Exciting News!! CLASSES START AT BIGAIR GYM KAPITI ON 1st FEB!!

Children LOVE learning how to Cartwheel, Round-off, Handspring and Flip and now we are offering these classes at a state-of-the-art gym facility near you!! **Bigair Gym Kapiti is now offering GYMNASTICS, TUMBLING, RECREATIONAL & COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING & FREE RUNNING (Parkour) Classes for Term 1!** Children develop strength, flexibility, balance, proprioception, plus determination and self-confidence as they achieve new skills! These classes are excellent for fun and fitness! We focus on safety, technique, fundamental skills, right through to more advanced skills, such as summersaults and twisting. Bigair Gym is a clean, pristine, exciting, and kid friendly place for children to feel supported, guided, and happy to learn! Our experienced coaches run structured amazingly fun gym classes. To find out more or to book online for Term 1 classes, go to www.bigairgym.co.nz or email kapiti@bigairgym.co.nz. Please pop in and see the gym at 4 Manchester Street,

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Kiaora all! :) Experienced singing/performance teacher avail for individual lessons. 35min \$35
60min \$50. Casual for fun or competitive training, great for confidence/self esteem/personality development. Based in Te Aro, Wellington in a lovely comfortable space. Weekdays or Weekend slots avail. Jazz/pop/musical theatre. All ages but specialises in youth. Open to have a korero about payment options. 0220976101 jacquiefee@gmail.com
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