



## Paekākāriki School

Home of the barefoot learner

# Pānui

## Term 1 Week 5

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Keeping everyone safe is high priority for us. This takes many forms including regular building and grounds checks, drills and education sessions. Earlier this term we had a Water Safe educator working in classes and every term we practice for a different type of emergency. On March 19th we are holding our **annual reunification drill**. This is where we test our procedures for the unlikely event of having to reunite children with whanau after an emergency (such as a fire or earthquake).

Our Emergency Management Plan includes the following information;

- Parents need to be aware of their responsibility as leaders and adults of staying calm and working with the school staff.
- Parents need to make sure that they have notified the school of the adults authorised to uplift their child/ren.
- After an emergency the school is to set up a reception area (this is likely to be one of 2 places; outside the office or beside the cricket nets) to which parents report. From here parents and children will be matched and signed out.
- No child will be released on this day until they have been signed out by one of the authorised adults listed on our Student Management System.

**ALL FAMILIES NEED TO ENSURE AN AUTHORISED ADULT IS AVAILABLE TO COLLECT THEIR CHILDREN ON THIS DAY. Children will only be released to authorised adults as listed on our system.**

**AUTHORISED ADULTS MUST REPORT TO THEIR CHILD'S TEACHER BEFORE CHILDREN CAN BE RELEASED.**

Parents/caregivers/ authorised pick up people can collect students from 2:45pm on FRIDAY MARCH 19th

Ngā mihi nui,

Julia



### IMPORTANT DATES

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

#### March 2021

**4th March** Teina Camp - postponed

**5th March** Assembly - postponed

**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 May** Teacher Only Day

**4th May** 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

### Teacher Only Day

Teacher Only Day - school will be closed for instruction on Monday March 8th for staff to participate in professional development.

### Welcome

We welcome Solan Tallman to Ngā Purapura and Imogen Dawson to Te Kohanga. We hope you have a great time being barefoot learners!

### PB4L (Positive Behaviour for learning) - Barefoot Learner Focus

For the next couple of weeks we are focusing on *Tapatahi / Integrity*.

A **Paekākāriki Barefoot learner** -will try to be in the right place at the right time doing the right thing.

### Health and Safety

We are working really hard this year to reduce the amount of rubbish in our environment. One of the disappointing thing is the glass bottles (sometimes broken) and cans we find on the basketball court and bike track, usually after the weekend. We have installed new signage to help with this situation but it would be greatly appreciated if community members could keep an eye on these areas over weekends and holidays.

Another way we are seeking to reduce rubbish is through the **Naked Lunches** initiative. Enviro Leader, Ana Veira and her team have reinstated this programme and will be doing random lunchbox checks during the week. Students who have a Naked Lunch (no rubbish, wrappings etc) will go into a prize draw. Thanks team - it is fantastic to see our students taking a lead role in looking after our environment.

### 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.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PAEKĀKĀRIKI SCHOOL

### School Pool

We need helpers for our lunchtime swim sessions. This allows tamariki to have a fun swim while being supervised. Please contact the office about how you can help.

### School Swimming Sports

On Wednesday 10th March the Annual Paekākāriki School Swimming Sports will be held at the Waikanae Swimming Pool. This is a full day event beginning at about 10-15 a.m. and finishing at about 2-00 p.m. We take the opportunity to have lunch down a the pool followed by a recreational swim. This is always a great day and parents are invited along to support their children at the event. The Postpone-ment day for this event is Friday 12th March. A fuller News- letter will follow on Hero, detailing the finer detail of the day. This note is to forewarn those of you who may want to attend and have to make work arrangements to allow this to happen.

### Lunch Orders & Sausages

We will continue with our online ordering system through google forms. You will find the link below and on our web- site.

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/A7oDS2MrHFoERSmDq>

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

### Solar Panels

The solar panels were installed and operational early in 2020. Every month we collate a variety of data about our energy usage. The image below is from our monthly report - 15 trees in February is awesome.

Your **Carbon Offset** for this month: 1,284 lbs

You have offset the equivalent of: **15 Trees**



## Alfie's Math Corner

Hi this is the maths part of the newsletter and looking forward to writing ( if I can every newsletter) so yeah.

I am looking forward to doing maths with John and setting up some displays around the school, and maybe helping Matua Andy with maths lessons? Also trying to extend myself in maths.

So I have a question:

If you move away from a mirror will you: A. see more of your self B. see the same amount of yourself or C. less of yourself?

And one more thing SUBSCRIBE TO COOPER HERMES on youtube.

Cheers

Alfie

## CURRICULUM

### Nature Based Learning

Over the last couple of years number of our teachers have been working closely with the Enviro Schools organisation to develop a programme for Paekākāriki School students where they can spend part of their learning time in the natural environment. Ngā Kākano and Ngā Purapura students are beginning these programmes where they head out once a week to carry out a range of investigations and explorations in the natural world. Our Health and Physical Education consultation last year showed us that using our natural environment for teaching was important to Paekākāriki whānau. The New Zealand Association for Research in Education recently published an article about the importance of outdoor play for children, "outdoor play was found to support several areas of wellbeing, including physical, mental and emotional, social and spiritual wellbeing". The outdoor environment provides many opportunities to learn in relation to the science and math curriculum, and to practice reading, writing, observation, drawing and listening skills.

### Library News

Once again I'd like to acknowledge and thank Tom's grandparents, Mr and Mrs Cobeldick, for their generous donation of books to our school library, these will be much appreciated.

*Ngā mihi nō te whare pukapuka - Donna*

### Netball

Soon the netball season will start up again for our year 5's to 8's. Whaea Naomi has already started sorting the teams for this year and will start training shortly.

This year we are in need of new netball uniforms and would greatly appreciate any donation towards this. If you would like to make a donation you can contact the [office](#) or directly make a donation to our bank account, stated below, stating that it is for the netball uniforms.

Name: Paekākāriki School Board of Trustees

Bank: ASB

Bank Account: 12-3157-0060232-00

## COMMUNICATIONS

### **From the Board of Trustees - Student achievement and strategic plan**

At our first Board of Trustees meeting of the year held last week, two key focuses were reviewing the student achievement report for 2020 and agreeing the Paekākāriki School Strategic Plan.

The End of Year Achievement Report 2020 showed high levels of student achievement across the school with 88% of students at or above expectation for reading, 89% at or above expectation for writing, and 89% of pupils at or above expectation for maths.

Students also scored at or above 99% for the Barefoot Learner Matrix which aims to build resilient, independent learners using the principles; belonging, connecting, exploring and thriving.

As part of our school's strategic plan 2021 – 2023 the three achievement targets we have set are;

1. To monitor progress in maths for a target group of learners whose progress has slowed
2. To raise the percentage of boys achieving at or above expectations in writing to 93%
3. To raise the percentage of Māori students achieving at or above expectations in writing and reading to 90%.

Every three years we engage with the community on the school's strategy so later this year the Board will carry out engagement with our local Paekākāriki community.

Our strategy has a number of actions that link to high level goals and school initiatives. Examples include students being supported to be leaders by seeking internal and external opportunities to develop and celebrate leadership, the Board employing teacher Miriama Te One to help develop a pilot programme that strengthens te reo and tikanga Māori, and teachers being identified and appointed as area leaders to deliver local curriculum such as science and digital technologies.

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You can read our school's Strategic Plan 2021-2023 on the [school's website here](#).

## SCHOOL HOUSE GROUPS

Congratulations to **Wainui** for winning the **Term 4** House Challenge.  
And Congratulations 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:

## Potty Potters

School Garden every Friday 9am-12

Come along and help out in the School Garden. There are a range of jobs to choose from, including making/potting up the plants for our Plant Sales. Stay for as little or long as you like. No garden experience necessary!

If you would like to help out in the garden but can't make these sessions, please contact Sarah McMaster  
[mcmaster\\_sarah@hotmail.com](mailto:mcmaster_sarah@hotmail.com)

## 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

### 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.

### 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](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=paekakariki.school.nz_3i1d30lhk9begr3ferb8f4aack@group.calendar.google.com&ctz=Pacific/Auckland)

### 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/PaekākārikiSchool/>).

### Website

The school website has been redeveloped and will be added to over the coming months.  
[www.paekakariki.school.nz](http://www.paekakariki.school.nz)

### Report an Absence

To inform the school that your child will be absent you can either use the Hero app, call us on 04- 2928205 or via our new website; <https://paekakariki.school.nz/>

### 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.

#### 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

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PLUS BEFORE & HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

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or Book Online  
0800 543 9696  
[info@funzone.co.nz](mailto:info@funzone.co.nz)

[www.funzone.co.nz](http://www.funzone.co.nz)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**He Rangi Mokopuna, celebrating Children's Day** <https://fb.me/e/diCDep5zi>

Sunday 7 March

Haruatai Park, Ōtaki

12pm-7pm (movie starts at 5pm)

It'll be an awesome day for the tamariki kicking off at 12noon with free entry to the Ōtaki pool, waterslide and dunk tank. On the sports field you can have a go at back yard cricket, football and tennis, plus we'll have bubbles, bouncy castle and face painting too. With so much action you might need to refuel by grabbing a bite from a range of food trucks, or bring your own picnic and enjoy the vibe.

There'll be chill-out areas to read books with our librarians, and local musicians on the Zeal stage.

Play activities finish at 4.30pm with the children's movie Aladdin (rated PG) showing at 5pm on the big outdoor screen, sponsored by Mike and Audra from Voyle and Co. See you there!

*Waikanae Kindergarten  
Annual Garage Sale & Gala*

*Saturday 13 March 2021*

*8.00am – 12.00pm*

*Russell Reserve, Ngaio Road,  
Waikanae*

*Check out our selection of books,  
clothes, children's toys, and new  
and used items.*

*Face painting, digger rides, fire  
truck, raffles, food and drink stalls,  
and much more!*

*EFTPOS available. Please BYO bags.*

Homestyle cook wanted for Raumati based Early Childhood Centre.

25 hours each week, within school hours.

Phone Beki or Sara on 04-902-7130 to discuss or send your CV

to [manager@kapitichildrenscentre.co.nz](mailto:manager@kapitichildrenscentre.co.nz)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

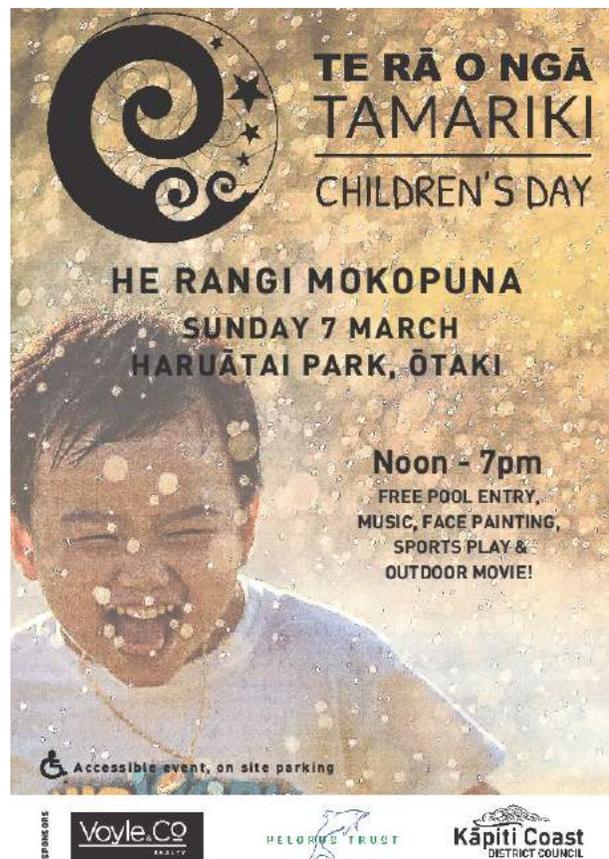
Paraparaumu Junior Rugby Club registrations are now open for the upcoming season. Go to [www.sporty.co.nz/paraparaumujuniorrugby](http://www.sporty.co.nz/paraparaumujuniorrugby) to register your child. We have rip-pa rugby grades (non-contact) from U6 to U13 and tackle grades (contact) from U8 to U13. Some grades have all girls teams. The season kicks off in early May with training starting in April. We also have our club day in late March. Any questions, please contact [rego.pjrc@gmail.com](mailto:rego.pjrc@gmail.com).

# Healthy Active Learning

To better understand from parents, care givers and whānau how their children are participating in physical activity and healthy eating and drinking at your school,

**we invite all parents and care givers to complete our [whānau survey](#).**

It takes 5-10 minutes and once completed whānau will go in the draw to win a \$100 supermarket voucher.



**TE RĀ O NGĀ  
TAMARIKI**  
CHILDREN'S DAY

**HE RANGI MOKOPUNA**  
SUNDAY 7 MARCH  
HARUĀTAI PARK, ŌTAKI

**Noon - 7pm**  
FREE POOL ENTRY,  
MUSIC, FACE PAINTING,  
SPORTS PLAY &  
OUTDOOR MOVIE!

 Accessible event, on site parking

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COMMUNITY NOTICES



A vibrant, tropical-themed poster for a roller skating event. The background is light blue with green palm fronds, a yellow beach umbrella, a yellow lifebuoy, a pink donut with sprinkles, yellow flip-flops, and a cocktail glass. The text is centered and colorful.

*Roller Summer*  
**BEACH PARTY**

**SATURDAY**  
**13**  
March

**6.30PM TO 8.30PM**

COOL MUSIC	COLD DRINKS	PIZZA SNACKS
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Skaters Entry \$10  
Club Members: \$6  
Skate Hire: Free

Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club  
4a Railway Rd UH

**MECCANO** <sup>2021</sup> National Exhibition  
*plus* Hornby Model Railway Display

**Waikanae Memorial Hall**  
**Pehi Kupa Street**

Public Welcome

**Sat 20th March 10am~4pm**  
**Sun 21st March 10am~4pm**





**Our Lady of Kāpiti**

# SCHOOL GALA

**SATURDAY 20TH MARCH**

**10:30AM - 1:30PM**

**3 PRESENTATION WAY**

**PARAPARAUMU**

Kapa Haka  
performance  
Bouncy castles  
Face painting Books  
Food stalls Baking  
Hot & cold drinks  
Candy floss  
Entertainment  
**AND MUCH MORE!!**



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