



Paekākāriki School

*Home of the barefoot
learner*

Pānui

Term 1 Week 7

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As many of you will have seen in my email last week, I will be on sabbatical leave next term.

This is a wonderful opportunity available to New Zealand principals to undertake professional learning, reflection, and rejuvenation. When I applied for this leave my proposal was to investigate dispositional-based curricula, in particular the Reggio Emilia approach. The plan was to travel to the village of Reggio Emilia in Italy to learn more about the development and implementation of this curriculum. Clearly, overseas travel is off the cards this year so instead, I will spend this time working on my Master of Education qualification. The focus of my study is exploring the role of play and project-based learning in primary school settings.

I am really enjoying learning within the Victoria University of Wellington community, exploring the ideas and research of academics, and planning my own thesis (although this will take more than 10 weeks to complete!).

I look forward to sharing my learning with our community of learners.

Ngā mihi nui,

Julia



IMPORTANT DATES

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

March 2021

22nd March Nathan Wallis
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

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.

PB4L (Positive Behaviour for learning) - Barefoot Learner Focus

For the next couple of weeks we are focusing on *Manaakitanga* - Showing respect, kindness and caring for others

A *Paekākāriki Barefoot learner* -will try to be kind, friendly and share ideas with others.



Tuakana Beach Day - Photos by Whaea Kendra

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PAKĀKĀRIKI SCHOOL

Nathan Wallis

We are delighted to be bringing Nathan Wallis to the Kāpiti Coast. Nathan is a renowned neuroscience educator. He is a father of three, stepfather to two, and foster father to many more. His professional background includes early childhood teacher, child therapist, social service manager, university lecturer, and neuroscience trainer. Following his time at the University of Canterbury, he founded a private training consultancy with the aim of sharing the latest neuroscience discoveries and their practical implications for everyday practice with parents and teachers. Nathan is an advisor for the Ministry of Education and an expert advisor for the Ministry of Vulnerable Children. He uses humour and plain language to condense twenty-five years of neuroscience research into his unique 'tell you how it is' style.



Reunification Drill - 19th March

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



Rongoa with Whaea Raima

Science in Ngā Kakano



CURRICULUM

Self Defence

This term our Year 7 and 8 girls are being offered the opportunity to participate in a Self Defence course.

The self defence teacher is a qualified and experienced teacher of self defence to women and girls. She will help the girls learn ways of dealing with unsafe people and situations and threats to their safety, such as being followed, and issues relating to cyber safety.

The course includes learning how to give clear boundaries and messages to those known and unknown to her when feeling unsafe, trusting her feelings and listening to her instincts. The course will also cover naming body parts, distinguishing between good and bad touching and strategies to deal with inappropriate touching. These skills will be reinforced through discussion, the development of verbal and physical skills, and developing instincts to help the girls keep themselves and others (e.g. friends / siblings) safe.

This course offers each girl the opportunity to take a positive step to reinforce her ability to think confidently, speak strongly, and use her physical skills when necessary.

We have offered this course several times in the past and all girls have reported a positive experience.

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

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Bank Account: 12-3157-0060232-00

Alfie's Math Corner

Hi this is the maths part of the newsletter.

Did you solve the question from last week? Here it is again:

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?

Answer is on page 6!

Cheers
Alfie

CURRICULUM

From our Students

Saana Martin

Have you thought about what the world would be like in twenty years? Well, if we continue farming livestock for food and releasing carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, the world will be sweltering. Sea levels will be the highest they have ever been which will mean a lot of islands, beaches and houses near the ocean will be submerged in water. The north pole will hardly exist because it will almost be completely melted and the south pole will either be covered in water or be warm enough for humans to live and might well be the only place that's not too sweltering hot to live comfortably.

The reason the world has been warming up is that humans have been burning fossil fuels like coal and gas for over two-hundred and fifty years. This has released a lot of greenhouse gases that are great at trapping heat which means they act like a giant blanket covering the world. Humans release 36 billion tons of carbon dioxide (which is a greenhouse gas) into the atmosphere each year. Other greenhouse gases are nitrous oxide and methane. Methane is released by burning oil and coal. It is also a result of keeping livestock for food and products.

The effects of global warming are many. Including the fact that lots of arctic animals are losing their homes because of the melting glaciers and snow. Other animals are losing their homes because their food can't grow in the warmer climate and their freshwater sources are disappearing, some humans will also be put in danger and lose their homes because as the glaciers melt, the sea levels will rise which will cover their homes in water. The rising heat will also make natural disasters like forest fires and hurricanes more common and dangerous. But there are many ways we can help; like if we are going somewhere nearby we can walk, bike, scooter or something similar. We can even go somewhere quite far away without driving by ridesharing and taking public transport. When you leave the house or a room make sure you turn off TVs, lights and similar electronic devices, even small things like turning off a lamp helps, if you want to you can even install things like solar panels. To help reduce the demand for meat we can eat less meat or stop eating meat all together.

If we stop burning fossil fuels, releasing greenhouse gases into the atmosphere and farm less livestock, the earth will cool down and the risk of forest fires and hurricanes will become lower so humans and many other animals will be safer. Remember to always do as much as you can to help the environment so that the humans living today and many more future generations can live in the best environment possible. I think I'll try to walk and bike more often when I need to get places.

What will you do?

Alfie's Math Corner

Hi, the answer to the question is B!

COMMUNICATIONS

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

PTA

Reason #1 to support PTA: Parent helpers make better lovers

PTA were thrilled with the amount of offers of parent help for our fundraising activities into the coming year. Ngā mihi koutou!

We want to make it easy for you to chip in what you can when you can. For those who were unable to make the Whānau picnic, we've created a quick little form for you to add your skills, abilities and offerings into: <https://bit.ly/3c4lCqd>

And if you are having FOMO about the fun and prestige that our PTA crew are enjoying, then you're very welcome to join us. Many hands make light work.



Yes. There. Is. Wine.

Ngā Mihi Nui,

The PTA

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:

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

Lunch Orders & Sausages

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/A7oDS2MrHfFoERSmD9>

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

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

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

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

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| 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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COMMUNITY NOTICES

“Collective Impact: Give.Grow.Connect” is the theme of **#SVW2021**. Student volunteers give a hand and add real value to the community. Together they make a substantial impact on Aotearoa New Zealand. By giving to a community or cause, student volunteers grow and flourish. They gain knowledge and create change within their communities. Through volunteering, mahi aroha and social impact, student volunteers create their own social and professional networks. They connect with peers and people who share their same passion and interests.

Students, universities, schools and organisations all over New Zealand will be celebrating **#SVW2021** through a variety of events and festivities that celebrate our student or youth volunteers and connect young people with opportunities to get involved in volunteering.

How You Can Get Involved:

- Get in touch with us by replying to this email!
- Organise opportunities for students in your community to learn about volunteering and connect with your organisation.
- Host an event to celebrate your student or youth volunteers.
- **Share Student Volunteer Week content using the tag #SVW2021.**
- Write a blog post or create a video about your student or youth volunteers.

For more information and resources: studentvolunteerweek.nz

Mary Poppins is coming...to Kapiti!

Coasters Musical Theatre is excited to bring your favourite and practically perfect nanny to the stage, in the supercalifragilisticexpialidocious musical adventure that is Mary Poppins!

Don't miss your opportunity to be part of a fantastic adventure with amazing choreography, an incredible stage set and effects, and unforgettable songs.

We're currently seeking children and adult performers to fill a range of Principal and Ensemble roles for Coasters Musical Theatre's production of Mary Poppins, to be held at Kapiti's newest performing arts centre, Te Raukura ki Kapiti on October 7 – 16.

If you can sing, act and dance well, and show an ongoing commitment as part of our cast, then contact us now to book your audition time*.

Want to know more? Join us for our pre-audition meeting THIS SUNDAY 14 March, 3pm at Coasters Musical Theatre, 15 Hinemoa Street, Paraparaumu.

AUDITION DATES^{{L}{SEP}}

Children's Auditions: Friday 2 April, 2021^{{L}{SEP}}

Adult's Auditions: Saturday 3 April & Sunday 4 April, 2021^{{L}{SEP}}

Email marypoppinskapiti@gmail.com for an audition pack^{{L}{SEP}}

*Audition times must be booked in advance^{{L}{SEP}}

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Paraparaumu Junior Rugby Club registrations are now open for the upcoming season. Go to 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.

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.

Kids mountain bike event
Waikanae Park
Sunday 21 March from 10 am
\$5 if pre registered before the day
([www.sporty.co.nz/view form/156446](http://www.sporty.co.nz/view_form/156446))

All welcome, no experience needed. Just need a bike and a helmet. Fun and spot prizes!

Further details on Facebook- Dirt School Kapiti

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

MECCANO ²⁰²¹ 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

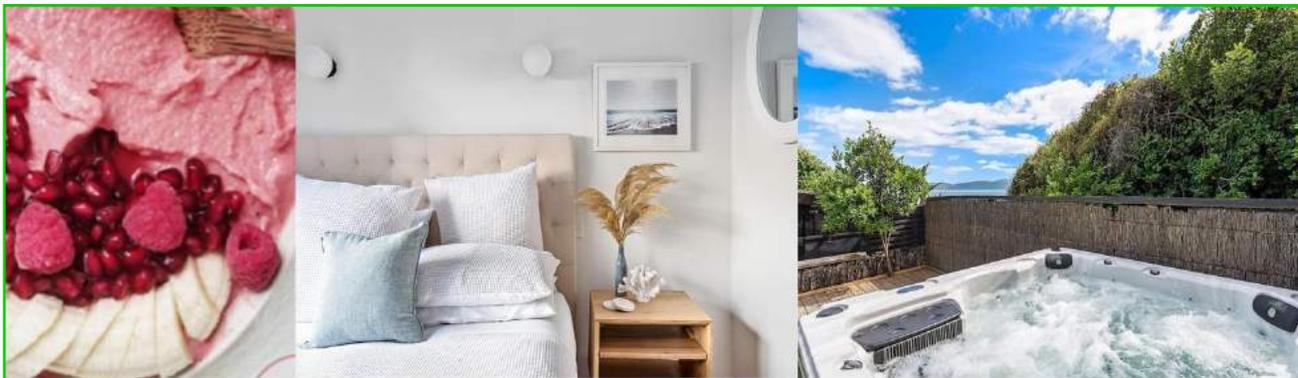


BEACH FUN RUN & WALK
Sunday 21st March

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SATURDAY 20TH MARCH

10:30AM - 1:30PM

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