

Newsletter - Panui

Tuesday 20th February 2024 Turei 20 o Pepuere

Kia koutou te whanau

We have successfully completed our first *full* week of school last week.

Swimming programme

Our swimming programme has come to an end with flourish. I have enjoyed popping up to Aqua Gym to see the progress being made by so many swimmers.

There is so much learning happening over a swimming week, as adults we can take for granted the myriad of social skills and working memory skills that take place for our children. Navigating a bus journey, sitting next to someone new on the bus and having a conversation with them. Following instructions, unpacking and packing a swimming bag, drying ourselves and not forgetting clothing, googles, and towels. Our learners have managed so well over the 8 days well done to you all.



I was asked why we swim so early in the term. There are a number of factors that come into play with our decision making here.

- The availability of the pool. We book a year out in advance to use Aqua Gym.
- It is summer time and generally the weather in term 1 is more settled.
- Our swimming programme lines up with our Year 5 / 6 swimming sports held a couple of weeks after lessons. Our year 5 / 6 swimmers will be race ready and confident to participate at this event.

Thank you to those families who have paid your swimming fees. I appreciate it is an expensive time of year for you all. We can accept a dripfeed payment set up on Kindo to make life easier for you as noted in a recent App alert. If you do need financial assistance please email me directly at <u>principal@paparoastreet.school.nz</u> as we want all our children to be able to access their learning.

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

It's all go here at the moment. Last week Paula and I had the pleasure of attending the Parent Teacher Association meeting on Monday. We have a very enthusiastic group of parents who have some wonderful plans in place for our school from time to connect as a community and time to raise some much needed funds for our school.

Please support the PTA whether it is offering to help out at one of their events or offering your financial support, they are always happy to hear from you.

The first PTA Community Connect Lantern Festival event will take place on Friday 23rd February 3:00 - 4.30. I look forward to seeing you there.

Have a lovely week everyone. Dy Stokes Tumuaki/ Principal

My strength is not as an individual but as a collective. Ehara $t\bar{a}ku$ toa i te toa takitahi, engairi he to takitini

Paparoa Street School Culture

At Paparoa Street School, we want to "develop a culture in which we celebrate others' successes, and champion each other in the pursuit of dreams and accomplishments."

Our staff have taken part in a workshop called 'E Tū Tangata' that connects to and enriches our school values. It is a way of thinking that we can apply to our everyday lives. Three core mindsets provide a common language with which to frame and shift the way we think and speak about ourselves and those around us: **www.etutangata.nz**

You Have Value, We Succeed Together and Others Matter



The first principle, '**You Have Value'** (He mana toū nō whakatata), asks us to consider ourselves and what reminds us that we have value? We want children to be confident with who they are; to not be scared of failing or succeeding. Knowing as individuals that we have value, makes us feel good about ourselves and gives us a sense of purpose.

With the principle of **'We Succeed Together'**, we want to encourage students to not only celebrate their own strengths, but to recognise the strengths of others, and to understand that by supporting each other, they will achieve more.

The third principle **Others Matter** encourages us to take a friend-based approach to others; rather than a fear-based or indifferent approach. At Paparoa Street School, we encourage children to look beyond their group of friends for ways to show others that they matter. Looking after others at school, in your family/whānau and community is an important way to make tamariki feel safe and that they belong.

"He aroha whakatō, he aroha puta mai" If kindness is sown, then kindness you shall receive.

We aim to further promote and embed this thinking throughout our school day. There will be updates and events that will be happening this term.

General notices

Scooter and Bike security

In response to parental requests we have provided an area for those that wish to lock bikes and scooters up until the end of the day. Locks are not provided by the school. You can find the stands by the fence line next to the tree near the school office area.

School open hours

School Opens for learning each morning from 8.30am. The classrooms will be open for you and your child to enter at 8.30am not before. Teachers are in meetings and preparing before that time. We would like all children to be at school by 9am. If your child is away please ring the school office.

School closes for the day at 3pm. Please let the classroom teachers or office know of any changes in the pick up routine.

Parent / Teacher meetings on Wednesdays

The staff have set aside time from 3.30 - 5.00 for parents or a staff member to make a meeting time via an email to the staff member (emails start with the staff members surname first @paparoastreet.school.nz). You can email teachers to make a meeting time on any Wednesday to discuss a learning question or a concern. If you are unable to come in, a zoom meeting can be set up in this time frame instead. Please email ahead of time in order for staff to be prepared.

KATHERINE'S CORNER

Welcome to the corner of the newsletter, where you will find information, useful links and ideas which may interest you and your whānau.

Listening to Families is an amazing collection of videos, providing answers to everyday questions about health and wellbeing challenges facing children and adolescents. The questions the videos answer are real - they come directly from families and the answers are provided by trusted specialists.

https://www.listeningtofamilies.co.nz/



Mana Ake - Stronger for Tomorrow provides mental health and wellbeing support for children in primary school years 1-8 across Canterbury. Mana Ake kaimahi (workers) are employed by one of <u>12 NGO providers</u> and support schools, families and whānau when children are experiencing issues that impact their wellbeing such as managing emotions, friendships and bullying, parental separation and grief and loss. Kaimahi have a diverse range of skills and include psychologists, social workers, counsellors, teachers and youth workers. You can talk to Katherine if you think your child would benefit from support from the Mana Ake team.

https://manaake.health.nz/



News from the Librarian - Cheryll

Welcome to the New Year. I hope you got lots of reading during the break! The Library is now open for students to issue! If you found any school library books over the holidays please just drop them into the Library into the returns box. There are a large number of books still out and we would appreciate these are returned.

Please make sure that your children from Year 1 to Year 4 have a library bag. These can be purchased from the school office.

The Issue 1 Scholastic leaflets will be sent home with the children within the week. You place your orders and pay online at <u>www.mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz</u>

Delivery is free to school until our closure date which is 23 February 2024. You can still order until Scholastic closure date but there will be a shipping charge.



Date reminders to take note of for 2024

Please take note of these dates. There will be a follow up reminder for you through the school App. We do our best to keep you informed. We ask that you read the information we send out.

Week 4

Cohort 2 Parent Meeting and Class Visit Tuesday 20th Feb 9am PTA Lantern Festival Friday 23rd 3- 4.30 hall area all welcome

Week 5

Tuesday 27th February Year ⁵/₆ Swimming Sports - Kaiapoi Aquatic Centre Friday 1st March Whole School Assembly - 9.15 start

Week 6

Whenua Year ⁵/₆ Camp - Hanmer Springs Mon- Wed Learning in Action Tour - 9am Wednesday 6th March Parent Centre all welcome PTA Community Connect Takeaway Dinner/ Games night Friday 8th March all welcome

Week 7

Rangi Year ⁵/₈ Camp Hanmer Springs Mon11th- Wednesday 13th March North Zone Swimming - Tues 12th March

Week 8

Awa Camp Mon 18th - Wed 20th March Hanmer Springs Friday 22nd March - E Tu Tangata Colour Your Day (more info later)

Week 9

Primary Sports Swimming Finals Tues 26th March Easter - Friday 29th **School is Closed**

Week 10

Easter Monday 1st April and Easter Tuesday 2nd April **school is closed** Friday 5th April - Whole school event 'Strike Percussion' Performance in the hall. This is a charged event and with more information to follow later.

Week 11

Learning in action Tour Wednesday 10th April 9am Parent Centre Whole School Assembly Friday 12th April 9.15am start Last day of term 1



Sports Office Term 1, Week 4, 2024

Yr 5-6 Swimming Sports, Kaiapoi Aquatic Centre, Tuesday 27 Feb

PLEASE GET YOUR ENTRIES IN ASAP Swimming Sports 2024

All Year 5-6 children must please complete this form.

We encourage all children who can independently swim 25m to attend. Children who cannot independently swim 25m will stay at school and work within their Kainga, please still complete this and opt out.

Triathalon update

Primary Sport Canterbury unfortunately have made the difficult decision to cancel the Triathlon for 2024. We are sorry about this as we know what an enjoyable event this is for participants, spectators and volunteers.

Yr 3-4 Checkers Basketball Miniball League, Bishopdale YMCA

Entries are now closed.

Those students who have registered their interest will have been allocated into a Year 3 or Year 4 team. An email was sent with details about the Competition, dates, costs. Uniforms will be sent out this week. Please note that the competition starts on Thursday 29 February 2024.

Yr 5-6 Girls Cricket

We are pleased to confirm an inter school girls cricket match with St Albans School. The date is to be confirmed but on a Friday afternoon during school time. More information will be sent out soon.

Other dates for your calendar

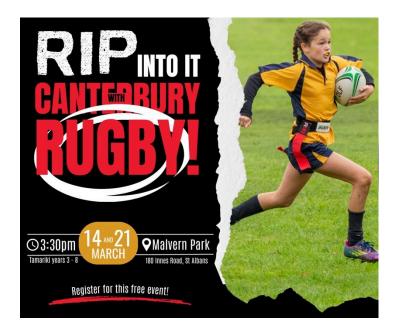
Yr 5-6 North Zone swimming sports, Tuesday 12 March, Jellie Park Yr 5-6 Primary Sport Canterbury Swimming 27 March, Selwyn Aquatic Centre Rolleston

Sports team Adele, Kate and Courtney Any questions please email Adele <u>acourt@paparoastreet.school.nz</u>

Rip Rugby after school opportunity

This is an open to all skill levels opportunity aimed at Girls and Boys aged Year 3 to 8. We will be running skills and then a game. It is across two different dates, you have the opportunity to go to both or one. This event is individual registrations. Email claudia.bethell@crfu.co.nz for any questions.

Register at this site: https://www.canterburyrugby.co.nz/events/hvze9ftsn8n3jzf78io8rpa4kja1ig





<mark>Tēnā koutou k</mark>atoa ki te hapori a tātou kura! Hello to our school community!

PAPAROA STREET SCHOOL PTA

LANTERN FESTIVAL

Join us after school to celebrate the Year of the Dragon!

Friday February 23 3pm-4.30pm

There will be food, crafts & activities and a special lion dance at 4pm!

Make sure you bring some cash for dumplings and sticky rice!



KINDO Tuesday: Sushi Ninja Thursday: Subway Friday: Little Lunches



esday Mornings 8.30 -9.15 School Hall Foyer

Lunch orders are back on the menu for 2024! You can order lunches via KINDO. Tuesdays: Sushi Ninja Thursdays: Subway Parklands Fridays: Little Lunches Senior students will be able to order on Fridays, as Little Lunches deliver by midday.

Did your little one have a growth spurt over summer? Our Uniform Shop is now open on Tuesday mornings! 8.30am - 9.15am, in the school hall foyer. Cash payment for items is preferred but other payment options are available.

Contact us at pta@paparoastreet.school.nz

Caught Reading

Term 1 Week 4

Our aim is to instill a LOVE, an ATTITUDE, a PASSION for reading

'Caught Reading'

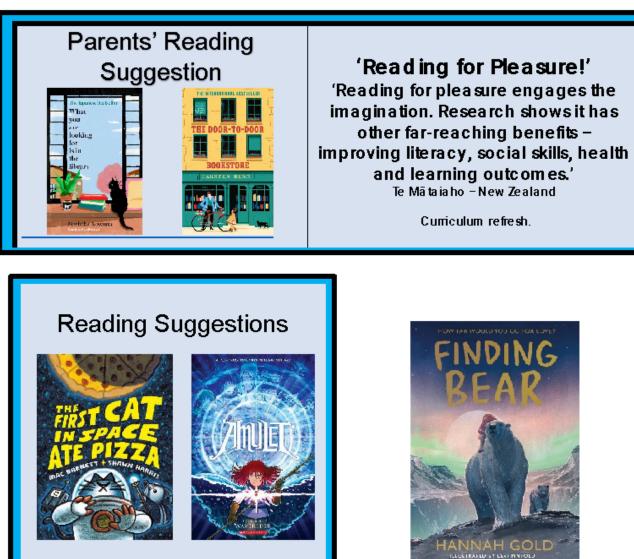




Book recommendations Fun, jokes, sharing Free Scorpio Gift Vouchers Book chats Book games Exploration of different genre ... and more!



'Aim of Caught Reading' 'Our aim is to instill a **LOVE**, an **ATTITUDE**, a **PASSION** for reading!' **'Telling Tales'** – best children's book shop in Canterbury, New Zealand ... the world!









A reading oasis for all!





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