

★ Kia Ora Paparimu Community ★

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa.

Greetings to you all.

We have started the term with a great learning tone developing in the classrooms. Students are engaged in their learning and focused on achieving their goals.

I have been in and out of school a bit these past few weeks, my husband has just had a total knee joint replacement and spent five days in hospital. All is going well with his recovery and he will have a total of four weeks of work. It is times like this I realise why I became a teacher and not a nurse! Huge thanks to our amazing team for 'holding the fort' while I have had some time in/out regarding this.



A BIG Paparimu **welcome** to our new students: Nu Nu and Ava D.

A special welcome back also to CJ. Lovely to have you all join our learners at Paparimu School.



A HUGE welcome to **Kris Burden** who has been appointed as a part time teacher for the remainder of the year. Kris teaches in Ako 2 providing my release on Wednesday morning and Thursdays and Fridays.

Kris will be a familiar name to many families as a previous Principal of Paparimu School! Kris is a widely respected and talented educator with years (decades!) of experience. After leaving Paparimu School, Kris became the Principal of Harrisville School where she has been for the past seven years. She has always held a part time teaching role in this time. Recently, Kris has resigned from her Principal position and is enjoying pursuing other options. We are very lucky to have Kris join us back at Paparimu School. It has always been a special place to her.

Spruce it Up!

Ako 2's Spruce it Up project results can be proudly seen on the astroturf fence. The hub caps designed and painted by the students look fantastic and provide a bright and friendly welcome to our school. Ako 1 are currently finishing their project which is on picket fence battons. We can't wait to display these proudly. Thanks to all our learners for improving our physical school environment.



For convenience, there is an animal crèche available in the swimming pool area currently for students with lambs and kids. The senior students will help your child feed them once a day at lunchtime. Please name your bottles and have the milk made up. We are looking forward to seeing your healthy animals – please no sick animals or we will immediately ask them to be taken home.

Calf Club & Pet Day:

Paparimu School has a proud tradition of very successful Calf Club/Pet Days. At our school, Calf Club and Pet Day (sometimes called Ag Day) is considered to be a school day and is part of the school programme. For many students, this is the highlight on the school calendar.

Calf/Pet Day is fast approaching - **Saturday, 30th September 2017**. This is a normal school day and all students are expected to be present. We finish school for the year one day earlier than other schools in recognition of this.

Thank you for all your animal expressions of interest forms. Proper registration forms will be home next week as most families have now decided upon their animals. It is exciting to hear all the stories from our students about looking after and training their animals. A reminder that farm animals must be **born AFTER the 1st of June** and **BEFORE the 31st August 2017**.

Calf Club Creative Project Entry Choices:

Has your family decided on what you will be entering?

More information is available in the Calf Club booklet, or ask at the Office for a new copy.

- * **Rainbow of Colour** – growing flowers in a planter
- * **Scratch and Sniff** – growing herbs in a planter
- * **Kiwiana Art** – Kiwiana artwork on corrugated iron

All entries need to be delivered to the school no later than 9am on **Friday 29th September** for judging.

Trees for Survival Planting Trip:



Unfortunately, our trip to the Glasgow farm to plant our Trees for Survival trees this week, needed to be postponed due to weather and MUD!

We are currently arranging an alternative day, this will not be for at least 2 weeks. Will be in touch re this date and will reconfirm our wonderful parent helpers are free also. Thanks to all who volunteered to transport and assist.

The Trees for Survival programme is a fantastic way that our students contribute to our local community.

Bible in School (Religious Instruction):

Following the result of the earlier Community Survey issued by the Board of Trustees, it was indicated that religious instruction would continue for 12 months (for those that opted IN to the programme. Unfortunately, the CEC who organises the teachers for the programme, have been unable to source us any volunteers for the programme. We are therefore unable to offer this for any students this term and we will not be closing the school for any religious instruction in Term 3. For those who are interested, there is an after school club (mentioned below) that may suit.



Maths Week:

Maths Week is NEXT WEEK- Monday 14th to 18th August 2017, and we are certainly excited to participate again this year.

Maths Week is a National event that many New Zealand children look forward to each year. It offers challenges, problem solving and lots of fun!

During Maths Week the children at Paparimu School will have many opportunities to immerse themselves in MATHS, as well as entering daily competitions to put their maths knowledge and understanding to good use.

Monday:

ESTIMATION: *Who can guess the correct amount of lollies in the jar?*

Tuesday:

PROBABILITY: *What's the odds of guessing the exact number out of 100?*

Wednesday:

ESTIMATION: *Who can guess the actual weight of a mystery object?*

Thursday:

SPEED: *How fast can you recall answers to the Basic Facts Challenge?*

Friday:

LENGTH: *Who can throw the gumboot the furthest distance?*

Morning Drop Offs:

A reminder that students should not be dropped off before 8:05am when the bus drops off students. Students then wait in the library until classrooms open at 8:30am.

Cross Country training:



Each day we are training for our Cross Country. Please could you make sure your child has appropriate shoes for this. Gumboots are great to wear to school, but heavy and uncomfortable to run in! We appreciate your help in this to make the experience more pleasant for students.

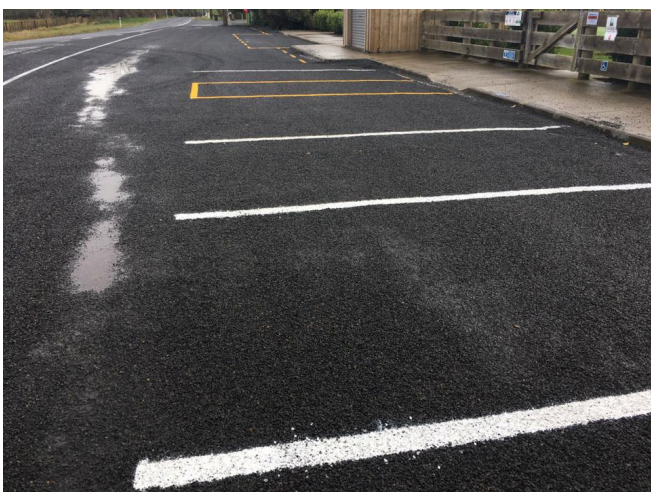
Upgrades on the road and in the carpark!

You will have noticed that we have had the roading area around the school and the carpark upgraded. This is the result of several years' worth of advocating.

We now have the red road markings indicating there is a school nearby as well as upgraded signage. Additionally, to keep our students safe, the speed limit for the corner (right outside school) has been reduced by 10km. New line markings have been put in the Paparimu Road & Matheson Road intersection and our carpark has been sealed and marked!

Parents, please note, you are welcome to park in front of the shed (ignore the yellow dotted lines that were put in incorrectly), but please keep the bus bay clear.

A special thank you to the Travelwise School leaders and Lucy from at Auckland Council. Thanks also to Marion Galloway for sharing her previous experiences and for the constant encouragement for me to nag and whinge to Auckland Council until I got this programme off the ground! This is all going to contribute to a safer school for our students!



Abacus Calendar Orders:

Students are currently completing their artwork for the Abacus Calendars. Notices will be home as soon as these are ready to order. The calendars, featuring your child's artwork, make GREAT Christmas presents for families and relatives. The school also receives a small amount of funds from this fundraiser. Look out for order forms home next week!



PTA:

I would like to acknowledge the resignation of Sarah, the previous PTA President. Sarah has done an absolutely stellar job for the past (nearly) three years. Sarah's fantastic organisational skills, energy and drive to create great fundraisers for the benefit of our kids will be missed. Thanks to the PTA who organised a card and gift on behalf of the school and community.

The Paparimu School PTA is always seeking new members. It's a fantastic opportunity to work with a team and give back to the community. At the moment, the PTA is working on organising Calf Club. Please see Rachel, Sharnee, Miriam, Marion or Tracey if you are interested in joining the team to help out!

After School Care/Clubs:

After school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays there is after school care available, these are run independently from the school. On Tuesday after school, John and Carole Leonard run a Bible Club in the Paparimu Hall (no charge). On Wednesdays after school, Nate Selway runs a Lego Club in the school library (\$10 for 3:00 – 4:30pm).

Please see the office if you would like information on how to enroll in either of these programmes.

Competition Winners!

Did you know that sudden cardiac arrest is the #1 cause of death in New Zealand adults? It kills 1500 New Zealanders every year, 5x that of the national road toll.

Paparimu School and the Paparimu Community are the (soon to be) recipients of a brand new AED defibrillator. Late last month I entered a “Heart Saver” Competition, writing 50 words describing why we deserved one. It was a very difficult 50 words to write! Sounds easy, but tricky being restricted so much. Last week Cigna and the “Grown Ups” charity rung to say we had WON!

Using an AED and applying CPR within 3 minutes will dramatically increase a patient’s chance of survival, which is why we’re pleased to announce we soon will have an AED on site.



It’s important to us to look after our staff/visitors/community and having an AED available in case of an emergency is a big part of that commitment.

#becomeaheartsaver #aedssavelives

We will let you know when the AED is mounted and ready for use by community members. Keep an eye out for the photo of our House Leaders being presented with the AED in a major glossy magazine shortly!!

Book Bags:

All students have Book Bags that should come to school and go back home each day. The Book Bags should contain your child’s Home Reader, library



book and in Years 1-4, their reader. Notices for parents/caregivers are also put into these book bags – so please ask to see your child’s each night.

Asking on Behalf:

If any school parent/caregiver would be interested in caring for a student/s after school in their own home, please let Rachel know, we can put you in touch. This would be a private arrangement made between families.

Small home required locally for school family (child and parent). Please see the office if you know of anything available.

Kick Start Breakfast Club:



Our Breakfast Club is in action again

daily before school. Students can come to the library between 8:30 - 8:50am and enjoy Weetbix and milk served by our monitors. This is a great programme that we would love to see students take advantage of. Breakfast is a great start to a day of learning!

Can you help?

We would love to have one of these 'Buddy Benches' at our school. Does anyone have a garden bench unwanted at their home they would like to donate? We could do a FAB job of painting it up!



School Assemblies

Term 3, 2017

Assembly starts at **2:15pm** in Ako 1

Wednesday 26th July (Week 1)

Wednesday 16th August (Week 4)

Wednesday 6th September (Week 7)

Wednesday 27th September (Week 10)



All VERY welcome to attend ☺

Term Dates:

Term 3 ends: Friday 29th September
Calf Club Day: Saturday 30th September
Term 4 starts: Monday 16th October

ADVANCE NOTICE:



Monday 11th September
2pm

Paparimu School
Cross Country

Please join us and support your child ☺

Kind regards,

Rachel Evans

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- **Tuesday 15th August:** EOTC trip to Motat (Ako 1 & 2)
- **Wednesday 16th August:** Y6-8 ECCS Cross Country @ Te Puru
- **Wednesday 23rd August:** Y7/8 Technology
- **Wednesday 23rd August, 2pm:** Farewell Assembly and Afternoon Tea for Mandy
- **Friday 25th August:** Daffodil Day (gold coin donation to Cancer Society & yellow mufti day)
- **Monday 11th September, 2pm:** Paparimu School Cross Country (Y1-8)
- **Thursday 28th September:** Winning House Reward
- **Saturday 30th September:** Paparimu School Calf Club & Pet Day (in lieu of a school day)