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Newsletter 13th December 2018

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Whanau, Kia Orana,

As my time at Pārāwai comes to an end I would like to say that I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here. It is hard to believe that 11 and half years have passed by. I have had the privilege of working with so many incredible people from all walks of life. All of whom have one thing in common and that is they have a love of teaching and working with our young people.

I have seen many many students pass through Pārāwai and move on and successfully complete High School. They then pursue their dreams whether that be further study, gaining employment or following other passions.

I have loved leading this great school!

I would like to acknowledge and thank all the staff that I have worked with: numerous Boards of Trustees and PTA's, our parent community and the hundreds of fantastic students over the years.

I will leave here with many fond memories that will remain with me forever.

I am looking forward to starting at Murrays Bay Primary School next year, a large school with 780 students and a large staff. It will be an exciting challenge.

Lastly, I would like to thank you all for your support of our wonderful school during my time and wish students and families all the best for the future. To the year 8's who are attending tonight's Leavers dinner, have a great night and I wish you all well for your future years at High School.

Have a safe and Happy Christmas and Holiday break.

On Monday night we held our End of Year Celebration at the High School. The evening was enjoyed by all and I would like to thank all the parents and families for joining us on this special occasion. Here are the main prize giving winners.

End of Year Prizegiving – Pārāwai School 2018

ICT Award

Ryan Denize

Carole Rudd - Speech Award

Olivia Walton

O'Grady Values Award

Baromey Rous

Snowdens Menswear - Y8 Boys Sports Award

Ashton Foster

Hunter Rodgers

Snowdens Menswear - Y8 Girls Sports Award

Alyssa Davy

Kapa Haka Awards

Year 4 - Victoria McDonald, Carson Fletcher

Year 5 & 6 - Harris Elliot Hogg, Azariyah Simpson, Almaaz Jones & Jayme Jamieson Shaw

Year 7 - Cyrus Tohu & Hana Gage

Year 8 - Kaitātaki - Male leader: Torin Young. Kaea - Female Leader: Lavidicus Oka Gage

Pārāwai School 2018 Student Leaders Awards

James Harvey, Rosie Juby, Hunter Rodgers, Olivia Walton

Pārāwai 2019 School Student Leaders

Abby Greenwood, Hunter Growden, Rohan Landy, Isla McKenzie

Judith Twentyman - Citizenship Award

Rosie Juby

Principal's Award

Hunter Rodgers

Term 4's winner of the recycling award

Room 6 has won the pizza award for the best class in matters recycling and waste reduction in term 4. They replaced their 10 L rubbish bin with an old ice cream container and all students had to take their lunch wrappers home with them in their lunch boxes. So often Mr Poeschl only found some pencil shavings or other small bits in their rubbish container. Their old rubbish bin was used for collecting the hand paper towels for the compost bin. And the recycling bin had most of the time all the right things in it: paper, card, and plastics with the numbers 1 – 7.

Well done room 6.

Thank you

As we prepare to take a break from school for the Christmas holidays we want to express our gratitude to everyone who makes it possible for most students to come to school every day, on time, ready to learn.

We thank;

- Our students and families for making daily attendance a priority because they know the habit of attendance will help them do well in the classroom and their future careers.
- Our wonderful teachers who pour their energy into making each classroom an exciting place for exploration and knowledge so children are motivated and do not want to miss out on learning.
- Our supportive staff and community volunteers who provide the extra hands and attention our children need. We appreciate each one of you so much.

We look forward to seeing you after the Christmas holiday. School will reopen on Monday 4th February. We especially appreciate everyone's efforts to avoid taking extra days off during the term time. Just a few missed days here and there, even if they're excused absences, can add up to too much learning time and leave your child behind in their learning and progress.

2019 Classes

New Entrant/Year 1	Rochelle Sawyer/Marlene Baty
Year 1 & 2	Anna Keogh
Years 2	Candace Deadman
Years 2 & 3	Suzanne Cato
Years 3 & 4	Tammy Malcolm
Years 5 & 6	Libby Hodgson/Julie Crimmins-Crocker
Years 7 & 8	Maree Jamieson/Linda Keepa
Years 7 & 8	Paul Jennings/Linda Keepa
Years 5 & 6	Alice Cook
Years 4	Eleanor Lee

Mrs Frances McLaren will continue to be a part of the Pārāwai team, as a release teacher in the Junior school (approx. 2 days per week), and Mrs Erin Bergersen will be Acting Principal in Term 1.

Santa Parade

A huge thank you to all the students and parents/caregivers that came and helped with our Santa Parade. We had the most parent support we have ever had which was awesome! The students all had a great time and to top it off the school won a \$300 cash prize for best school float which will certainly go to good use here at school.



Principal's Lunch Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who were Term 4's Principal's Award Recipients. Well done to everyone and we hope you enjoyed your Principal's lunch.

Josh Keogh, Kade Williams, Mac Harris, Zander Curnow, Ryley Hutton, Brooke Muir, Sian Lees, Abby Greenwood, PaveyIn Rous, Cohen Andrews and Arshpreet Kaur.

Stationery for 2018

Paper Power

This can be purchased from mid-January onwards at Paper Power in Pollen Street. Simply go in and ask for the room number your child is in and you can purchase all the necessary equipment. Please see the Paper Power advert at the end of the newsletter for further information and discounts.

Warehouse Stationery

If you were not already aware, here at Warehouse Stationery we offer you the opportunity to support your school when you make a purchase with us. By nominating your school before payment we link one point to the school for every dollar you spend. These points are collected throughout the year and not only over the back to school period, so you can allocate points to your school all year round on all purchases made at Warehouse Stationery.

Uniform Pop Up Shop – Friday 1st February 2018, 10 – 2pm

Our uniform suppliers NZ Uniforms will be setting up a Pop Up shop in the school hall on Friday 1st February 10-2pm, where they will have all uniform items for sale including hats, eftpos will be available.

Uniform items no longer needed

If there are students who are leaving Pārāwai School and no longer need their uniform we would be really appreciative if these can be donated to the school by dropping them into the office.



Pre-Enrolment Days for 2019

Enrolments for the 2018 year will be taken at the school office on;
Thursday 31st January and Friday 1st February 9:00am – 12:00noon.

If any Parent/Caregiver is aware of families wishing to enrol here at school, please encourage them to visit our school on either of those days. **Thank you for your support.**

What's On.....

Term 4

Year 8 Leavers Dinner

Last day of term

Term 1 – 2019

Thursday 13th December

Friday 14th December

School starts Monday 4th Feb

*Meri Kirihimete ki a koe me te whanau
Merry Christmas to you and your family*





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Community Notices



BACK TO SCHOOL 2019

10 prizes to be Won!

TWO 1st prizes = \$100 GIFT VOUCHER
THREE 2nd Prizes = \$50.00 GIFT VOUCHER
FIVE 3rd Prizes = \$20.00 GIFT VOUCHER

From 14th January to 11th February

Just spend \$20 or more on your "Back to School Stationery" from PAPER POWER THAMES and you are in to win !!!!

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Calling all kids!

If you're a kid 13 or under and you love to sing... be in to win a fantastic prize, of the ultimate smart bedroom bundle, with an amazon echo dot smart speaker and Alexa-enabled smart coloured light bulbs...

This Christmas morning on Newstalk ZB, it's "*The Voice of Christmas*" singing competition... on the '*Crazy Kiwi Christmas Kids Show*'.

Auditions are open NOW by telephone... and will only be open for the next few days. To enter, simply call **0800 THE VOICE** and sing a **Christmas Carol** as your audition.

That's **0800 843 864**.

Then tune in on Christmas morning to Newstalk ZB (or Radio Sport) from 6am-9am, to see if you've won!

Gymnastics - Based in Kopu in 2019

Thames Gymsports is moving to a new dedicated venue, which gives us the chance to expand the options and number of spaces available – we think you'll find something your kids will love, at a time and day that will fit in with other commitments.

Register interest now via our email address thamesgymsports@gmail.com we'll put your names down and keep you updated with the finalised timetable and fees.

Junior - 5 to 7 years

Senior - 8 to 12 years

Teen - 12+

NEW - Free G - run, jump and swing. it is no surprise to us that ex-gymnasts perform so well at Ninja Warrior - check out the you tube clip of **Free G** - bring it on, we think this will be popular!

NEW - Pre-school

NEW - Team Gym

NEW - Tumbling

NEW - Boys only classes

NEW - Competition

For more details check our website - <https://thamesgymsports.co.nz/>



Department of Conservation summer program based at the Kauaeranga Visitor Centre

The complete programme has lots of family based activities. If people would like more information please contact us and we will send out the programme.

A poster for a "Summer Fun" event. The top half shows a group of people at an outdoor event with tents. The text "Summer Fun" is written in large, white, bubbly letters. Below that, "Celebrates the kiwi" is written in a smaller, white, cursive font. A yellow banner contains the text "January 5th 11am - 3pm". The bottom half of the poster has a green background with a kiwi bird and text describing the event: "Come for a fun packed day of family nature-based activities. Something for everyone. Get creative, enjoy a teddy bears adventure, games and prizes. Bring a picnic, water and sunscreen. All welcome, children accompanied by an adult." At the bottom, it says "For bookings phone 07 8679 080". A vertical yellow bar on the right side contains the text "Summer fun programme running from December 27th till January 13th".

Summer Fun
Celebrates the kiwi

January 5th 11am - 3pm

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