


# Pārāwai School

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## Newsletter 15<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Whanau, Kia Orana,

I would like to personally welcome all of our new students and their families to our school and wish you a long and very happy association with us. This week we welcome Haven Sawyer – Room 1. We hope that you have made a successful start this week and enjoy the many wonderful opportunities that are on offer here at school.

Thank you to our parent community for your patience on Tuesday while the teacher strikes were on. I do appreciate that it was inconvenient and required many of you, to make adjustments to your day and in many cases, take time off work. For this, we are thankful and do appreciate your support.

### Disco

A disco is being organised by the Year 8 Leavers Committee for **Thursday 22nd November**.

*The theme will be Hawaiian Summer Beach Party*

**5:15 – 6:50pm – for students in Years 1 to 5** (Please pick up children promptly at 6:50pm)

**7:00 – 9:00pm – for students in Years 6 to 8** (Students should not arrive until 7pm and should be collected promptly at 9:00pm).

Please note: Year 6 students can seek permission from the Middle Syndicate Teachers to attend the Junior Disco to be with their Year 5 friends. However, no Year 5 students can attend the Senior Disco.

**Entry: \$4.00**

A sausage sizzle will be available for \$2.00, Drinks \$2.00 and glow sticks \$0.50 and finger glow lights \$1.00.

A notice will be coming home with your student and this will need to be completed and taken to the disco on the night.

**The committee will need extra Parent help on the night, if you can help please contact**

**Kristina Walton on 027 451 9952**



### Pārāwai School Pet Day

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

**One entry form required for each pet.**

**Please complete the entry form (which will be given out to students) and return by Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, to Mrs Jamieson.**

Pet Day will start at 1pm to allow pets to be brought in at 12:45pm for an afternoon of fun judging categories.

*Please note all animals are to be transported to school in a cage and are to stay in a cage while at school, not a cardboard box. Cages are available from the local vets. All dogs must be on a leash and if your child can not control the dog you also need to be present.*



## Sweet As DVD's

If you have ordered any 'Sweet As' dvd's please call into the office to collect them, they are \$5 each.

## Library Books

Could ALL library books please be returned to the library by tomorrow Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November, so our annual stock take can be completed. Any unreturned books will be invoiced in due course. Thank you.

## Creative Writing

### THE BUSH

I remember walking through the winding tracks, damp leaves in my face, picking nice flowers.  
Mud squelching under my feet.  
Leaves rustling while birds chirped all around me.  
A creek rushing past, damp air filled my nostrils.  
Fallen trees all around me, puffing every breath I take.  
Branches swinging in my face, dirt slowly crumbling away.

By Felix (Yr 2)

### WALKING THROUGH THE BUSH

I love walking through the bush, when the river smiles at you as it rushes away.  
I love the bush when the gigantic tree leaves fall off and gently flutter down.  
I love the bush when birds sing songs faintly.  
I love the bush when the wind blows in your face.  
I love when the sun shines and goes all over your body.  
I love when the morning light shines.  
I love when my foot scrunches in the mud.  
I love when the trees lay helplessly.

By Oliver (Yr 2)

## REAL Certificate Awards

**Responsible – Tūtika Engaged – Whakahihiwa Active – Mātātoha Learner – Ākonga**

**Jacques Van Niekerk** - for being a responsible learner finishing his symmetrical butterfly quickly, then helping other children

**Mia Sharpe** - for being a responsible class member who gets the room ready for learning in the morning

**Hazel Nickel** - for being an engaged learner in her reading.

**Mikayla Randall-Whitham** - for engagement in maths.

**Alexander Leach** - for active engagement in maths.

**Felix Milner** - for being a real learner. Amazing perseverance with Maths.

**Blake Bergersen** - for being an engaged and responsible learner.

**Katelyn Ouck** - for being an engaged and responsible learner.

**Joe Hayward** - responsible active learner: filling in for library duty when no one else shows up.

**Bjorn Knudsen** - Tuakana Teina at camp, displaying engaged and supportive behaviour.

**Harmony Fry** - for engagement at camp, responding positively to all the challenges she faced.

**Pavelyn Rous** - for consistently demonstrating the REAL values.

**Abby Cochrane** - Active and Engaged learner in her maths

**Lupe Masima** - REAL learner in all aspects of the class programme

**Melody McLaren** - for engagement in maths.

**Tyler Smith** - for active engagement in literacy.

## Recipients caught using a School Value

**Emotional Intelligence Respect Perseverance Integrity Excellence Co-operation**

Eddie Heap, Tylahzae Feilo-Eketone, Eli O'Neil, Bella Simpson, Jordan Rohrlach, Lincoln Rodgers, Cohen Andrews, Jordan Wheeler, Troy Costello.

## Health and Safety

To ensure we have robust safety measures in place on days when students leave events such as athletics and swimming sports without returning to school, could Parent/Caregivers please tell the teacher in charge at the event and also contact school by phone or text so the role can be updated accordingly. This will ensure that all students are accounted for at all times. Thank you.

## Value of the fortnight: Excellence – Panekiretanga

- Excellence is doing your best. When you practise excellence you are not trying to be better than anyone else. You are trying to be the best that you can be.
- Excellence is what leads to success. It takes courage to practise excellence. Some people are afraid to find out if they are going to fail or succeed. If something doesn't turn out well, they say. "It doesn't matter. I wasn't doing my best anyway." But they never find out what is really possible. When you practise excellence you can make a real difference in this world.

You are **practising excellence** when you...

- Give your best to whatever you do
- Set realistic goals for yourself
- Remember to plan and practise
- Develop your own special gifts or talents
- Give your best to your relationships

## Quote of the week



## What's On.....

### Term 4

Thames Valley Athletics – Paeroa  
School Disco  
Thames High School Orientation Day Yr 8  
Waikato Athletics – Hamilton  
Pet Day – 1pm  
Rainbows End Trip – Yr 7&8  
Whole school prizegiving  
Year 8 Leavers Dinner  
Last day of term

### Term 1 – 2019

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November  
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Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December  
**School starts Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Feb**

Hayden Iles

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## Community Notices

7pm - 9pm  
Third Thursdays  
**Poets Circle**  
at **CARSONS Bookshop CAFE**  
600 Pollen Street  
Thames

**THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 7-9pm**

Junior Poets : 7pm - 7.30pm  
School age poets open mic. Register via email

"Poets up the Wall" : 7.30 - 7.40pm  
Global performance poets projected

Coffee/Tea Break (10 mins) Plus \*Poetica (5 mins) :  
"Haiku is not 575"

Open Mic : 7.55 - 9pm :  
Perform or read one poem before passing on the mic.  
Register via \*email (below) to secure a place

\*email : [poetscirclethames@gmail.com](mailto:poetscirclethames@gmail.com)

\*Poetica = stirring the poetical pot

**WOMEN OF EMPIRE  
THE HOMECOMING EXHIBITION**

The exhibition that tells, through the fashion of the era, stories of fascinating women. For, in the First World War, not all heroes wore khaki....

**6 November 2018 – 18 November 2018**  
Thames War Memorial Civic Centre

THAMES HERITAGE EVENT TRUST

Bookings - Thames i-SITE or [Eventfinda.co.nz](http://Eventfinda.co.nz)



## ANIMAL RESCUE THAMES

Christmas Raffle week  
Monday November 26th to Friday 30th November  
9am until 4pm - Outside Pak n Save Thames  
Lots of awesome raffles - raising funds for the rescue felines to feed and care for them over the festive season . One week , one team, one love, the felines who need our care  
Purrlease support our Paws  
any enquiries contact  
Animal Rescue Thames  
07 868-2907

## THAMES HAURAKI BALLET THEATRE PRESENTS

The timeless Hans Christian Anderson story of the "Snow Queen", entertainment for all the family. Principal dancers Aidan Tully, Alisha Wathen, Grace Merwyn and Leela Woolf with a cast of 50 children. Performances Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup>, Thames Civic Centre, 2pm and 7pm, prices \$12 child and seniors, \$20 adults. Door sales. For bookings and information ph 027 242 8896.

