Pārāwai School



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Newsletter 23rd February 2017

Swimming Sports - Friday 24th Feb.

Our middle and senior swimming sports are being held at the Centennial Pools tomorrow with the first race starting at 9:30am.We are expecting races to finish around 12:30pm.



Students will be transported to and from the pools by bus, which will be leaving school at 9:00am, so please ensure you child is at school on time.

Thank you to all the parents who have offered to help, please be at the pools by 9:10am so we can get organised before the first race.

Students to wear their house colours and please ensure they have water, sunscreen, a hat, food, warm clothes and 2 towels.

Pārāwai School 50th Jubilee Meeting Monday 6th March 7pm in the school staffroom



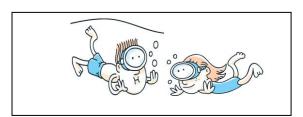
We are pleased to advise a date has been set for our first planning meeting for our School's 50th Jubilee.

Please spread the word as we would still like as many interested people as we can get to come on the night to discuss this exciting event.

Junior Swimming Display- Friday 3rd March

We are looking forward to parents, caregivers and whanau joining us to see all the fabulous things we are learning in our swimming programmes. Below is an approximate timetable for the day. Each class will have its own time slot. We will see you there!

Room 3 - 1.15 pm Room 4 - 1.35 pm Room 1- 1.55 pm Room 5 - 2.15 pm Room 2 - 2.35 pm



Hats

As you are no doubt aware school hats are now compulsory.

If any students need to purchase a hat or any other uniform items they can be ordered from our supplier NZ Uniforms by either ordering online or phoning 0800 698 643.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Term 1

Swimming Sports – Middle and Senior school

Junior Swimming Display

50th Jubilee Meeting

Student Led Conference – 2pm to 5pm

Student Led Conference – 2pm to 7pm

Thames Valley Swimming Sports

Talent Quest

Last day of Term

Thames wide teacher only day

Friday 24th February Friday 3rd March Monday 6th March Wednesday 8th March Thursday 9th March Wednesday 15th March Wednesday 12th April **Wednesday 12th April**

Thursday 13th April

Te Kupu o te Wiki for the week starting Rāhina, 27 Hui-tanguru 2017 is

Rutua (te hoariri)! - Tackle (the opponent)!

Check out our Facebook page, '*Proudly Pārāwai'*, to link to; and to listen to; each weekly phrase as an mp3 recording or download the pdf.

Tirohia atu tō tātou whārangi Facebook, ko 'Proudly Parawai', ki te hono, me ki te whakarongo te rerenga kupu ia wiki. Hei whakarongo mp3, hei perēhitanga ranei.

Ākina te Reo - Give Māori Language a Go!

Value of the fortnight: Co-operation - Mahi Ngatahi

What is co-operation?

Co-operation is when two or more people work together so that they are all better off.

For co-operation to work, everyone has to be an active member of the team and do what they agree to do. What does co-operation look like?

People who are working as a team and cooperating with each other:

- listen to each other without interrupting
- encourage everyone to join in
- are willing to hear and accept the ideas of others
- are willing to change roles in the group, eg. may be a leader sometimes and a follower at other times
- recognise the skills and strengths of others
- don't compete with each other
- discuss problems calmly
- show respect for each other
- take responsibility for their part of the task
- are willing to work towards the success of the group rather than their own individual success.

Winter Sports

We will be organising school teams for winter sports (rugby, netball, soccer etc.) soon so please start thinking about what sport your child would like to do so that we can get these organised.

A note to you from Constable Catherine Sell, School Community Officer, New Zealand Police.

I would like to include a brief message in your school newsletter each month. I will include useful links to information that I come across in my work role, and keep you up to date with issues that I see within our school community.

By now your gorgeous children will have settled into their new school year and routine is returning to your homes.

Road safety is hugely important all year round, and throughout February I am getting School Traffic Safety Teams and Bus Monitors trained. The voluntary work that these students do to get pedestrians across crossings safely before and after school is appreciated, especially when it's hot, raining and windy – and that's often at the same time in our lovely climate! If your school doesn't have monitored crossings, please go over the basic safety rules with your children, particularly the young ones. Some examples are:

When crossing a road, Stop, Look, Listen and Link.

When travelling in a car, everyone must wear a seatbelt. Make it Click.

If travelling by school bus, stay seated, keep the aisles clear, quiet talking is OK, and when you get off the bus wait until the bus has moved away before crossing the road.

Parents collecting your children off the bus, or from school, please try to park on the side of the road that your child will be leaving school or the bus. Alternatively, walk to where your child will be so they can cross the road with you.

Drivers, please remember the speed limit passing a stationary school bus is 20kph.

Road Safety Is Everyone's Responsibility

Sunscreen

We have some **expired** Cancer Society sunscreen (spf30 + spray and spf30 zinc) if anyone would like some. We can't take any responsibility for its effectiveness as it's past its expiry date but if you would like some please call into the office to collect it.

Wall Planners

We have some spare wall planners if anyone would like one please all to the office.

Quote of the Week

Your attitude, not your aptitude, will determine your altitude. Zig Ziglar

Term Dates and Holidays for 2017

Term 1 - Tuesday 31st January to Wednesday 12th April

Term 2 - Monday 1st May to Friday 7th July

Term 3 - Monday 24th July to Friday 29th September

Term 4 - Monday 16th October to Friday 15th December

Regards, Hayden Iles

| Newsletter Question: Listen and? | Constable Catherine Sell says when crossing a road, Stop, Look, |
|---|---|
| Answer | |
| Name | Room |











Community Notices

Found in carpark:

New born baby jump suit. If it's yours please call into the office to collect it.

Hindi lessons (Moanataiari School)

From February 27th 2017 Hindi language classes will be available. The lessons are open to all students regardless of their language background. The classes will be taught at Moanataiari school from 3.15pm until 4.00pm (Monday to Thursday 4x a week). Any children in the Thames area are welcome to participate. The lessons are being taught by a qualified language specialist who is a native Hindi speaker. Lessons are to be paid for five weeks in advance i.e. \$100 for five weeks. This works out at \$5.00 for a ¾ of an hour lesson. There are no refunds for absences. Enrolment for the programme can be made through the Moanataiari school office. Any enquiries please contact Moanatairi School 07 868 6504

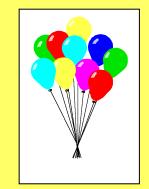






Free children's Day
Sunday 5 March 10am to 2pm

Victoria Park, Thames
Fun activities for the whole family!
Bring a picnic and join us!
Bouncy castle, Bumper balls,
Water slide, Train n rides, Face painting,
Games, Music and more.....



This event is proudly organized by CAPS Hauraki to celebrate
National Children's Day
Enquiries Phone 07 868 8644