

Pārāwai School



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Newsletter 23rd March 2017

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,
Kia Orana,

Welcome

A very warm welcome to our new students and their families to Pārāwai School, Eve Gage - Room 11, Tes Gage - Room 14, Chahlee Gage - Room 3, Imtiyaaz Jones - Room 11 and Almaaz Jones - Room 15. We hope that you have made a successful start this week and enjoy the many wonderful opportunities that are on offer here at school.

On Tuesday a small group of Year 7 and 8 students travelled to Cambridge and competed in the Waikato Full Primary Schools Swimming Champs. They yet again represented our school very well and did their best. All students excelled in their respective events and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Congratulations to Joella Johnson, Caian Owen, Sian Lees and Breanna Iles for qualifying for the event and for competing so well. A Huge Thank You to Sandy Johnson for giving up her day and taking the team and being the team manager for the day, it was greatly appreciated.

Carpark Safety

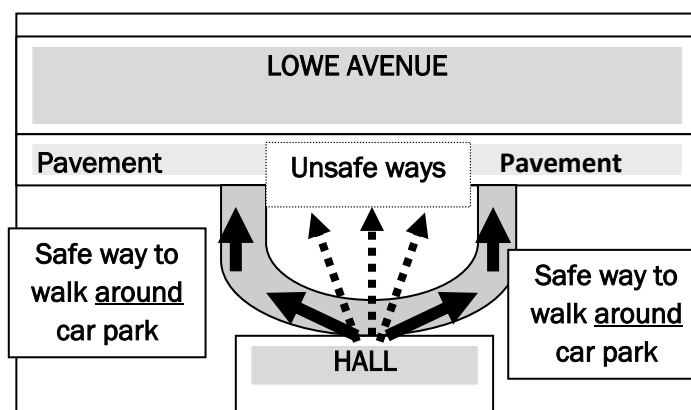
Parents can you please park in the designated spaces and walk **around** the car park on the paths, not **across** the car park through the cars when picking up your child /ren.

New parents to the school may be unaware of the situation. I hope the attached diagram will help clarify things.

Please do not beckon or encourage your children to go across the car park to meet you on the other side.

And if walking with your child, please set a good example and take them around on the curved concrete path (see black arrows) not through the middle. We have had a few near misses in the past and the safety of our students is paramount. It is the job of the teachers on duty to enforce these guidelines (they are not being 'picky') and your co-operation is not only appreciated, but is vital for everyone's safety.

Parents please ensure that you also use the crossing on Lowe Avenue when crossing the street into the school.



Netball

Registration forms have been given to girls interested in playing netball this year. They need to be returned to the office, with either cash or a cheque made payable to Thames Netball, by the 31st March. If you need another form please collect one from the office.

A reminder that netball this year will be played on Thursday's from 4:30pm at Rhodes Park.

School Uniform

Please check ALL school uniform items are named, and the writing hasn't worn off as we have been having some problems returning uniform to its rightful owner.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Netball Registrations due by
Hockey Big Day Out – Ngatea
Cooks Beach Triathlon
Rippa Rugby Ngatea
Talent Quest

Last day of Term

Thames teacher only day

Friday 31st March

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Tuesday 4th April

Wednesday 5th April

Wednesday 12th April

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Thursday 13th April

Pārāwai School 50th Jubilee

Thank you to the interested people that came to the Jubilee meeting on Monday.

Our next meeting will be this coming **Monday, 27th March, at 7pm.**

All pupils / teachers / PTA / BOT are still welcome to attend.

Enquiries to Hayden Iles, Principal by email: principal@parawai.school.nz or phone 07 868 8117

REAL Certificate winners this week

Responsible – Tūtika Engaged – Whakahihiwa Active – Mātātōha Learner – konga

Lucas Robinson - Engaged Learner

Chloe Bergersen - R E A L, for knowing about her learning and always sharing ideas and thoughts in all learning areas.

Felix Milner - REAL, for being responsible for his learning, using every opportunity to continue his learning inside and outside the classroom.

Maddison Carr & Karin Hislop for displaying all the REAL values

Summer Roberts-Tuahuru & Victoria McDonald - Responsible & Engaged

Mikaere Gage - Responsible & Engaged

Charlize Davy - for displaying all the R E A L values, **Hunter Growden** – Responsible, Engaged Learner

Torin Young for displaying all the R E A L values

Tjin Schild and **Logan Wenzlick** for displaying all the REAL values

Riley Hennessy - Engaged - for reading with emotion and enthusiasm in Reading group time.

Samantha Denize - Responsible & Engaged

Cary Young for displaying all the REAL values

Volunteers for school camps and activities

If you are interested in being parent help for our school activities (which include class day trips etc. and especially camp) we would like to hear from you now. In line with our school policies and current Health and Safety requirements and Vulnerable Children's Act 2014, and in accordance with recent legislative changes we need to police vet our helpers. This is an easy process (but one that takes some time) so it would be great if you are interested to complete a Police Vetting Form. The vetting forms can be downloaded from

<http://www.police.govt.nz/advice/businesses-and-organisations/vetting/forms> or we have forms available at the office.

Pārāwai School Notifications App.



The Parent Teacher
Calendar App

Pārāwai School App for school notifications is available for download



✓ EVENTS ✓ INSTANT SCHOOL MESSAGES ✓ ABSENTEE

Download Our School Calendar App



HOW: In Play Store or App Store search "Parent Teacher Calendar" and choose our school once installed.

REFRESH YOUR CALENDAR APP!

MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THE MOST UP TO DATE
SCHOOL EVENTS AND INFORMATION



Lucky Book Club

The latest book club offer No:2 has gone out to all students, please have your orders into the office by the 31st March.

Value of the fortnight: Perseverance – Manawanui

You are showing perseverance when you...

- Believe what you are doing is important
- Set goals for yourself
- Focus attention on what you are doing
- Do not let others distract you
- Keep going even when it gets difficult
- Ask for help when you need it because what you are doing is too important to give up on
- Finish what you start.

Te Kupu o te Wiki for the week starting Rāhina, 27 Poutū-te-rangi 2017 is Eke Tangaroa!

Eke Tangaroa! – Win! Made it!

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!

Australian Competitions 2017 – Year 4 - 8

These are the dates for this year's competitions.

If you would like your child to take part in any or all of the competitions, please complete the attached slip and return to the office with the entry fee before the closing dates.

You can enter and pay for competitions individually (before each closing date) or pay for all that you have selected in one go.

Australian Exams Schedule and Costs for 2017

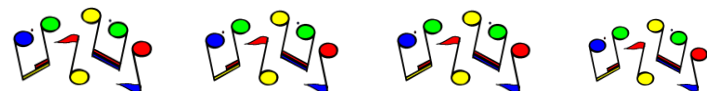
Registration of names are needed by 31 March to secure 2016 prices; as listed below. Please register at the office or with your child's classroom teacher.

SUBJECT	SITTING DATE	COST
Digital Technologies	Tue 23 May	\$8.50
Science	Tue 30 May	\$8.50
Writing	Mon 12 June	\$19.50
Spelling	Wed 14 June	\$10.50
English	Tue 01 Aug	\$8.50
Mathematics	Tue 15 Aug	\$8.50

Name _____ Year _____ Room _____

Number of competitions entered _____ Total Paid _____

In-School Music Lessons



Interested in school time music lessons for child?

Experienced and skilled NZ Modern School of Music teacher Susan Williams offers quality piano/keyboard/music theory lessons.

Susan Williams is vastly experienced in NZ music education, children will experience creative learning, musical enjoyment, and opportunities to perform and work towards music exams.

Lessons will start in Term 2.

For fee information/enrolment form please contact Susan Williams email starmsue@gmail.com or mobile 0212538122 You are also welcome to check out our NZ Modern

School of Music website www.nzmsmcountries.co.nz

Quote of the week

If you're not making someone else's life better, then you are wasting your time. Your life will become better by making other people's lives better" Will Smith

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

Newsletter Question: When do netball fees need to be paid by?

Answer_____

Name_____Room_____


Regards
Hayden Iles



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WHITIANGA Sat 25th MARCH 7pm, WHITIANGA TOWN HALL
WAIHI Sun 26th MARCH 5pm, WAIHI MEMORIAL HALL

BUY TICKETS AT: WWW.ITSSHOWTIME.CO.NZ
(DOOR SALES ARE CASH ONLY)

CHILD \$12
ADULT \$18

THAMES HIGH SCHOOL 



HOMESTAY FAMILIES NEEDED

Thames High is looking for caring families to host our international students, allowing them to experience a 'kiwi' lifestyle and improve their spoken English in a home away from home. In return, you will receive \$250 per week. To find out more about this enriching and fun experience email internationalsupport@thameshigh.co.nz or phone Pauline on 07 868 8688

Soccer Registrations - still time to register for the 2017 season. Due to flooding we have rescheduled our Muster for Wednesday 29th March at 5.30pm. For registration forms or any queries email thamesjuniorfootball@hotmail.com or ring Elaine on 027 4068415"

Russell Player Memorial Hauraki Rail Trail 2nd Annual Charity Fun Cycle Ride



Sunday 2nd April 2017

Four different rides all finishing at the Railway Reserve Paeroa

Rides will start from Te Aroha, Waihi and Thames at 10.00am as well as a Kids ride starting at 11.00am by the Old Karangahake Hall.

All rides finish in Paeroa where the major \$1000 Travel Voucher and other spot prizes will be given out to competitors.

This year we are encouraging on-line pre-entries for Individuals and Teams and Families.

New this year there are nine other Spot Prizes each with a value of \$300.

Every individual and every team pre-entry will be eligible for a Spot Prize

Pre-Paid Entries will be accepted from Teams of 6, Families and Individuals:

Primary School Teams of 6 \$50 / College/Bussiness or other Teams of 6 \$80

Family pass 2 Adults & 2 Children \$35 / Adults \$15 / Children (5 to 14) \$5

For further information please go to www.lionshaurakifunride.co.nz

THE NUGGET MULTISPORT FESTIVAL

Set aside May 13 to join in and experience this amazing multi-sport adventure.

Waihi and Waihi Beach in the southern Coromandel are the impressive setting for the spectacular and very popular Nugget Multisport Festival. You'll take an unforgettable adventure from Waihi's charming town centre out to the spectacular harbour and coast at Waihi Beach, before returning via breath-taking trails to the rim of the mighty Martha Mine and the iconic finish line under the shadow of the Cornish Pumphouse in central Waihi. There is something for everyone and entries for 2017 are booming already! Come and discover gold at The Nugget Multisport Festival, Waihi and Waihi Beach,



For parents choose from the:

FULL NUGGET - Enter as an individual or as a team with kayaking, road and mountain biking and a trail run

HALF NUGGET is a Duathlon that takes in the same trail run, mountain bike and final run as the Full Nugget

NUGGET 21km Adventure Trail Run/Walk

NUGGET 10km Trail Run/Walk

NUGGET 5km Trail Run/Walk

...and For Kids

NUGGET 5km Trail Run/Walk

For full event information or to register, go to: www.thenugget.co.nz and join us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/TheNuggetWaihi/>