



Paraparaumu School

PRINCIPAL'S Notes

Dear families and friends of our school

Teacher Only Day

On Friday 11th April, (the last Friday of Term 1), there will be another Ministry of Education allocated Teacher Only Day. The staff will be attending professional learning and development sessions on the curriculum and student wellbeing. It promises to be a very useful and productive day. The second day of these PLD will be on Saturday 12th April. Can you please make alternative arrangements for your child on the 11th April as school will be closed.

School Communication

We have a number of ways that we will communicate with you throughout the year. These newsletters will come out every two weeks. We use email communication regularly, so can you make sure the school office has your most up to date email. Years 1-6 have a Facebook page, so if you haven't joined then I encourage you to do so. These Facebook pages have the most up to date information on them and are used most frequently by teachers. If you want to contact your child's teacher their emails are listed on our school website, www.paraparaumu.school.nz.

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou - warm regards to you all.

Steven Caldwell
PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to our Whiz Kids, Week 2 & 3	Room	P.A.R.T Certificates
James	1	Penelope
Theo, Manutaki	2	Te Mahea, Te Atawhai
Judah	3	Cleo
Sophie, Eden	4	Mason, Willow
Sam, Zena	5	Nixon, Hayden
Lazarus, Ivy	6	Jakaiah, Gaia
Logan, Jenesis	7	Peter, Lizande
William, Freedom	8	Abi, Charlie M
Fox	9	Ivy-May, Sophie H
Nora	10	Sam P
Danica	11	Eddy
Clara, Cori-lee	12	Nina, Zahara
Nirvana	13	Hinde
Nathan	Te Puna	Aliyah

Student of the Week—2

Parekohatu Room 13 Year 6

Kua māia to hiko ki waenganui o tō mātou akomanga i tēnei wāhanga, kua wepua i ngā āwangawanga, ka ū ki ngā mahi ka kitea i te tuakana e puawai mai ana, hei tauira mō tō mātou whānau. Parekohatu te Ākongā o te Wiki, Tū mai!

Parekohatu, you have shown confidence. I am pleased to see you walking into a new classroom and immersing yourself in all the new tikanga our tuakana class follows. You are kind to teina and tuakana alike, you are an encouraging kaimahi in the akomanga and also show positivity towards challenging tasks. Kei te mihi, kei te mihi, kei te mihi ki a koe. I look forward to witnessing your growth.

He rangatira o inaeanei, he rangatira mō āpōpō.

Student of the Week—3

Atarangi Room 6 Year 3

Atarangi, you have such a calm and positive attitude towards your learning and school. You are always enthusiastic about participating in all class activities and work hard on finishing given tasks. You are kind-hearted, friendly and fair to others in the class and in the playground, which makes you a good friend to work or play with. Your active participation and contribution to Room 6 is greatly appreciated. Well done Atarangi, you thoroughly deserve this award.

TOUGH GUY GIRL CHALLENGE

Have you registered yet?
Date: Thursday 22nd May. Entries close: 6th May (but it sells out if you're not quick). Link to register: <https://eventpromotions.co.nz/junior-tough-guy-and-gal-challenge/> and then click enter online.

WOOLWORTHS Future FERNS YEAR 1 AND 2

Monday 3rd March – Monday 4th April
This is a great little introduction of some of the basic skills of netball, delivered in a fun way to the Year 1 & 2's.

Star Helpers will be required so please have a think if you can volunteer an hour of your time to help us out with this programme.

The programme will run as follows:
4.00pm start at Te Atiawa Netball Courts, Percival Road, Paraparaumu Beach (first week will be 4.00pm to 5.00pm, as have introductions and full roll call).

Warm Up
Skills Session
Netball Game
Cool down

Finish at 4.45pm
Cost: \$40
www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/342960

CULTURAL NIGHT -THURSDAY, 20TH MARCH 5PM - 6.30

We'd love to see everyone and their whānau at school for shared kai and a variety of performances, including a special presentation from our kapa haka group. Food and performances begin at 5pm.

Please bring along a plate of traditional finger food to share too.

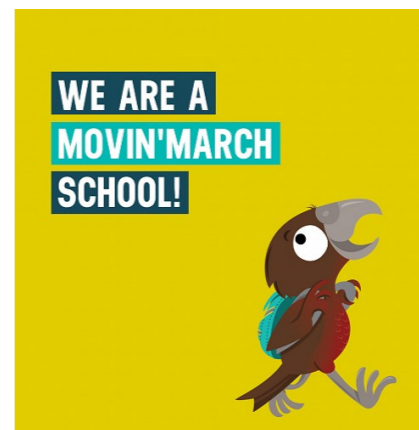
Tables will be set up on the basketball court for food, and paper plates and forks will be provided. Mr. Caldwell will be cooking up a Kiwi sausage sizzle too!

National dress is also encouraged; football kits, rugby jerseys and traditional clothing are all welcomed!

This night is a fantastic chance to get everyone together to celebrate our collective heritage and build connections within our school community! We can't wait to see you there!

READATHON

Readathon starts this week and runs for the next four weeks. There will be awesome spot prizes for tamariki who are participating, we will draw them at assembly. This is a wonderful PTA fundraiser. We are fundraising for classroom trips, sports uniforms and the art mural.



LET'S GET MOVIN' IN MARCH! MOVIN'MARCH – WEEK 2!

We're **loving** all the stamping of passports! Remember if you walk or wheel we'll tick off your trip at the gate and all entries are sent to Greater Wellington at the end of March (remember you only need at least one trip recorded on your "passport" to enter). All passports in the **WOW Passport Challenge** go in the draw to win one of 5 x Micro Scooters and helmets. We have spot prizes to give away!

Park & Stride. If your family lives too far away, why not park a short distance away from the school gate and walk or wheel the rest of the way? For more information see our **Park & Stride**.

House Day. We will be holding a special day near the end of March where we encourage all tamariki to dress up in their house colours for some 'Movin' Fun!' We really encourage whānau to walk or wheel - even for just one day and join in the Movin'March fun!

UPCOMING DATES

MARCH

20 Cultural Evening 5-6.30pm

APRIL

3 Teddy Bears Picnic for Year 1-3

11 Teachers Only Day

MAY

9 Teachers Only Day

22 Tough guy girl challenge

30 Teachers Only Day

JUNE

2 King's Birthday Weekend

22 Tough guy girl challenge

TERM DATES 2025

	Wednesday 5th Feb –
Term 1	Friday 11th April <i>CLOSED: 6th Feb Waitangi Day</i>
	Monday 28th April –
Term 2	Friday 27th June <i>CLOSED</i> <i>2nd June King's Birthday</i> <i>20th June Matariki</i>
	Monday 14th July –
Term 3	Friday 19th September <i>CLOSED: 27th Oct Labour Day</i>
	Monday 6th October –
Term 4	Thursday 18th December (12 noon)