



# Paraparaumu School

## PRINCIPAL'S *Notes*

Dear families and friends of our school

We have reached the end of an exciting and very productive term. I want to wish you all a great school holiday break and we will see you all back for the first day of Term 2 on Monday 28th April.

### Kīwaha (saying of the week)

“He makariri tēnei rā...It's cold today.”

### Teacher Only Day

Tomorrow 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 tomorrow as school will be closed.

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

*Steven Caldwell*  
PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to our Whiz Kids	Room	P.A.R.T Certificates
Rome	3	Neve
Summer, Leo	4	Ariya, Mason
Arlo	5	Kuupa
Tom, Makoto	6	Rose, Atarangi
Zoe, Asher	7	Hendrix, Ashleigh
Jax, Ekam	9	Masina, Hine
Jackson	10	Logan
Azariah, Danica	11	Hazel, Maata
Thea, Jed	12	Billie, Lisa
Esme	13	Amaia
Lachie, Chloe	Te Puna	Charles, Tyrell

### Student of the Week

**Logan**                      **Room 7**                      **Year 6**

Logan is one hard working dude. He is always striving to improve his learning, whether it's working diligently on assignments or collaborating with classmates, Logan approaches everything with determination, kindness, empathy, and a positive attitude. He has worked especially hard on his reading with stand out comprehension skills and a passion for sharing what he knows with the others in his group.

His sense of humour and approachable nature makes him well-liked by his peers, creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere in the classroom. Logan's ability to balance his determination to succeed with a genuine concern for others is truly inspiring.

Congratulations Logan for being such a standout student. You are truly deserving of being Room 7's student of the week.

### Student of the Week

**Lachlan**                      **Room 11**                      **Year 8**

Lachlan Young has consistently demonstrated all of our P.A.R.T values throughout the term, both in the classroom and on the sports field. He displays *Aroha* and *Turangavaevae* by supporting his team and showing determination during the Ki-O-Rahi tournament. In the classroom, Lachlan upholds Positivity and Respect by completing his work to a high standard, thinking critically about his learning, and encouraging those around him.

Ka pai, Lachlan!

### JUNIOR RUGBY!

Looking for a fun, active and team-building sport for your child? Sign them up for Junior Rugby! We offer both contact and non-contact versions of the game, so every child can get involved in a way that suits them best.

Non-Contact Rugby (Rippa), Year 1-8 – Perfect for kids who want to develop skills, fitness, and teamwork in a safe and exciting environment. Great for beginners!

Contact Rugby, Year 1-8 – For those ready to take their game to the next level, learning tackling techniques in a safe, structured setting while building confidence, strength and resilience.

No matter their experience level, rugby helps kids stay active, make new friends, and develop valuable life skills like discipline, teamwork and perseverance.

Below is a list of our Club Junior Convenors, please contact your preferred Club for more details around registration and trainings. Season kicks off 3rd May.

### 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. If your child is on the bus for tough guy girl the \$10 MUST BE PAID BEFORE THE EVENT IN ORDER FOR THEM TO ATTEND.

### KAPITI INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING COMPETITION

When: Wednesday 7th May 2025

Who: Juniors: Years 4 - 6,

Seniors: Years 7-8

Time: Juniors - 9:30 - 12 and

Seniors - 12 - 2:30

If your child is a good swimmer and would like to sign up to the interschools competition, please go onto Kindo to register your child. All entries need to be done by **Friday 11th April**.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO RATA!

After a very close competition, Rata have topped the leader board for whānau group points! They will be having a well deserved sausage sizzle. Well done to Mānuka, Kōwhai and Pōhutukawa tamariki for their efforts too. It was a very, very close race!

### STUDENT OF THE WEEK MORNING TEA:

A reminder that all of our 'Students' of the Week' will be joining us on Thursday: Loverah, Riley, Jaimie, Parekohatu, Atarangi, Molly, Tiana, Logan and Lachlan.

### KAPITI COLLEGE OPEN DAY

We are having our Open Day this year on:

Tuesday 17th June 2025

**Morning session**

9.30am-11:30am

**Afternoon session**

12.30pm-2.30pm.

### READATHON

We would like to say a huge thank you to all who participated in the Readathon, and the school staff who helped make this a success.

The final amount raised was \$7115!! This will help the PTA contribute towards the costs of educational trips and resources for the school.

### UPCOMING DATES

#### APRIL

11 Teachers Only Day

14-25 School holidays

#### MAY

9 Teachers Only Day

22 Tough guy girl challenge

30 Teachers Only Day

#### JUNE

2 King's Birthday Weekend

17 Kapiti College Open Day

20 Matariki Holiday

#### TERM DATES 2025

Wednesday 5th Feb –

Term 1 Friday 11th April

*CLOSED: 6th Feb Waitangi Day*

Monday 28th April –

Term 2 Friday 27th June

*CLOSED*

*2nd June King's Birthday  
20th June Matariki*

Monday 14th July –

Term 3 Friday 19th September

*CLOSED: 27th Oct Labour Day*

Monday 6th October –

Term 4 Thursday 18th December (12 noon)