

Parua Bay School

"Success Through Effort"

"Ma te mahi ka matou"

NEWSLETTER -27th June 2017

Term 2, Week 9

Kia ora koutou whanau

The Parua Bay School newsletter will be produced and sent out either digitally or in paper form to all parents every two weeks. The decision to change from a weekly edition has come about due to wanting to become more efficient in our communication to parents and community but also wanting to be more effective. The desired result will be a quality informative newsletter whilst at the same time reducing the workload in the office.

"Communication" has been an area which the Senior Management Team and the office staff have been working hard to improve. As well as bi-weekly newsletters, parents can access information about school activities via group e-mails from the office, individual class letters sent out, the Parua Bay School Facebook page, the parent mobile app, the parent calendar and the front of school advertising board. The Parua Bay School website also holds information; however, we are looking to update this site during Term three.

The Parua Bay School Cross Country Race was held on Monday 26 June in sunny, dry conditions and was supported fabulously well by the parents and whanau of the school. With well over 100 enthusiastic parents and grandparents cheering on their children, this event just seems to get better and better year upon year. Not only is the school growing in size but also the fitness of the children is growing too. It is a credit to the children and staff at Parua Bay School that the children are so well prepared for this event many hours of training have been put in prior to the race to make it such a successful and competitive one.

The new building will officially be opened by Her Worship the Mayor of Whangarei, Sheryl Mai, on Wednesday 5 July at a dawn ceremony. The opening ceremony will begin at 6.30 a.m., just before dawn, where all attendees will be invited to bless the new building with the kaumatua, Pereri Mahanga. If you are intending to attend the dawn ceremony please can you contact the office to inform them so that we can cater for the right number of breakfasts after the ceremony.

Enjoy the rest of term - I look forward to catching up with you either at the hangi on Thursday lunchtime or early on the last Wednesday of term for the dawn ceremony.

Nga mihi ra Danny Jewell

Upcoming Events

Thursday 29 th June	Hangi - Tickets available from the office	
Monday 3 rd July	Junior playground community meeting @ 6.00pm	
Wednesday 5 th July	Blessing of our new building	
Thursday 6 th July	Last day of Term 2	
Friday 7 th July	Teacher Only Day	
Monday 24 th July	First day of Term 3	
Monday 31st July -Friday 4th August	Book Fair - Room 9	

HANGI Thursday 29th June

Hangi lunch followed by Kapa Haka performance in the afternoon. Hangi tickets available at the office \$5.00 per person, order now as numbers are limited!

DON'T FORGET! TEACHER ONLY DAY Friday 7th July





We would like to congratulate Isaac Hayes and former student Peyton Yakas who have been selected to represent the Presidents in the Dave Culham Taniwha Shield 2017.

Parua Bay School X Country 2017

	Boys	Girls
4 years	Sonny Parker Aoraki Mitchell Unai Iturbe-Stenberg	 Camille Howard K-Lyss Hamilton Maya Haag
5 years	 Shae Bowling Oliver Haglund Kyle Beckham 	 Eva Tuato'o Kaelyn Dyer Jayde Maunder
6 years	 Zeke Halse Jasper Evans Ben Barton 	 Kaylee Earl Eva Haag Emma Watson
7 years	 Toby Greenwood Harper Tait Marino Tuhiwai 	 Fiona Tyson Ayako Aoyagi Brooke Christy
8 years	 Will Burgess Hagen Robinson Quinn Cumming 	 Holly Leggott Taylor Stokes Lily Barton
9 years	 Max Tyson Tommy Earl Josh Laing 	 Kyla Halse Elliot Christy Ella Grindle
10 years	Connell O'Sullivan Freddie Jameson Dominik Valent-Hay	 Cassie Topper Erin Scott Tasmin Nielsen
11 years	 Izaak Hayes Adam Land Campbell Griffin 	 Bella Earl Ellie Petty Ayla Maunder
12 years	 Jayden Stokes Ethan Grindle Maz Saunders 	 Chloe Leggott Holly Stuart Emily Holehan



Parua Bay Enviro Express

- run by students

Parua Bay School 2017

Tuesday June 27th 2017

Have you ever looked at the recycling bin inside your classroom?

If you did you would probably (unless your class is the Enviro Kind) see lots of rubbish. Recycling bins are not for rubbish such as: food bags, plastic wrapping and fruit scraps. The items you should see are: paper and cardboard. So next time when you put your lunchbox away please take your rubbish home or try and bring nood food. Food scraps go into the chicken bins or the worm farm (except Citrus). Now you are helping the environment and getting rid of your rubbish!

Check out this awesome video about microbeads #ditchthosebeads uptown funk microbeads song

Do you have a story to share that is related to the environment? Please send to Holly and we will publish it! (and you will have your 5 minutes of fame) holly.askew@paruabay.school.

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Rubbish at PBS

Hi my name is Nico and I am on the Enviro
Committee. I think that we need to talk about the
rubbish around our school. When we drop rubbish
in the playground it can get swept away with the
wind. If it leaves our school grounds it may harm
or kill animals in our environment. We have a no
rubbish bin policy so take your rubbish home
instead of putting it in your pockets or the ground.!
Look out for nood food monitors at morning tea or
lunch they will rewarding students who are trying
not to bring rubbish into our school!



Find the Hidden Message..

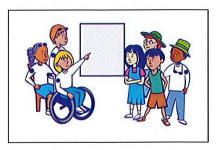
Each week we will put a hidden message throughout this newsletter. The letters for the message will be written in bold. It will be mixed up so the first word of the message may be at the bottom of the page. The message will be related to the environment. The first 3 people to email me with the hidden message will receive a prize. Have fun!

BREAKING NEWS:
Nood Food monitors
from the Enviro
Committee will be
coming around during
eating time to hand
out cool kids awards
for students bringing
nood food or plastic
free lunches!

Chickens are smart too!

Did you know chickens are not exactly flightless.. they flap their wings to generate height and are sometimes able to make it over fences and get themselves into a tree for roosting. It's not just chickens that lay eggs-Ostriches, Ducks, Quails, Geese, Bantams, Guinea Fowl, Salmon (fish), and Sturgeon (fish) all lay eggs too.

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alice.aastroem@paruahay.school.nz



Fun Fact
Did you know we have a kiwi called
Darwin living down Lamb Rd? You
could follow his movements at
http://www.backyardkiwi.org.nz/monitored-birds/tracked-kiwi

Friday Tidy isn't an option, it's a MUST

Friday tidy is back! Every Friday the whole school will work in their whanau groups to pick up the rubbish around the school and return it to their whanau bin. The whanau with the most rubbish collected will get 1000 whanau points!

The answer to getting rid of plastic bags? Moths!

Everybody is aware that plastic bags are issues for many reasons, such as turtles mistaking them for jellyfish, and they are *not* biodegradable. Scientists have discovered that one type of larvae can actually digest them!

Federica Bertocchini had discovered an infestation of wax moth larvae in one of her hives. She decided to temporarily keep them in a plastic bag, but discovered that they munched through the plastic and escaped!

Although it's not much, 100 worms can devour 92 milligrams of polyethylene plastic in only 12 hours! This is amazing in comparison to if they were on their own! Plastic bags can take 100 - 400 years to break down without assistance.

Paolo Bombelli, a biochemist who invested in this study says, "We want to know if they're munching the plastic to use as food, or just to escape. If they want to escape, they're going to get fed up very soon. If they're munching to use as an energy source, this is a completely different ball game. We are not yet able to answer this, but we're working on it."

This discovery has been groundbreaking, and has potential to help the issue. We hope that this research continues, and the scientists doing the research gain more and more knowledge on the subject.



Saving our birds

Recently we had a visit from Hiwi the Kiwi. When they started talking about the dead baby albatross on Midway Island, killed by the rubbish that they thought was food... it got me thinking... "What other things commonly kill birds?" Well I did some reserch and found Agricultural pesticides, a type of chemical that makes grass greener and keep pests away is also a major bird harmer (I personally don't think that birds are pests). The results are 67 million birds die each year because of pesticides—about 10% of all birds exposed to pesticides die, the rest are

Here is a guestion for you.

What pesticides are you or your whanu using and have you considered that may be harmful to birds and other animals?

Here is a link about the Albatross on Midway Island.

By Nico Reynolds

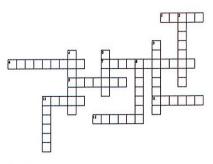
RUBBISH SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS

THE SHRINKING CHIP BAG

Use a small (single serving) empty chip bag to do this experiment. Just place it in the microwave for 5 seconds. There will be a few sparks, but It won't hurt your microwave! When you open the microwave your bag will be tiny and hard. It is pretty cool! I have seen people use these to make a keychain.



Ecokids Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1. Anything we no longer want and throw away.
- 6. Contamination that harms the environment.
- 7. The world around you and all of your surroundings.
- 9. 2 liter soda bottles are made out of this recyclable material.
- 10. Jars are made out of this recyclable material.
- 11. Discarding your trash in an improper place.
- 12. Giving items to charity.

Down

- 2. Most soda cans are made out of this recyclable material.
- 3. Place where your garbage is taken if it is not recycled.
- 4. Recycled organic material decomposed to make soil.
- 5. Using materials again so they do not have to be thrown away.
- 8. The most well known of the 3Rs.

Police Vetting

From the 1st July the Government will be charging a \$10.00 fee for all Police Vets. This fee will be payable by you so if you wish to attend your child/children's camp in the future, please arrange for a Police Vet as soon as possible before this charge is implemented.

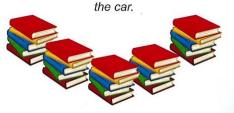
WADPA school holiday program 19-21st July (wed/thur/fri) dancing, ballet, jazz, improvisation, gym, games, movies, make up & hair fun for all ages from 5+

Email: whangareidancedevelopment@gmail.com f or more info or to reserve your spot \$40 per day or \$100 for all 3 days

Parua Bay School Library is having a Book Amnesty!

Please have a big search at home and return all our library books to the box in the Office.

Good places to look are under the bed, in the closet, on your bookshelf and in



Healthy Mouths

Healthy Lives for all Northlanders" Protect your child's smile, visit the dental team once a year.

Preschool tamariki can be enrolled from birth.
Please phone us Northland District Health
Board

Oral Health Service 0800 MYTEETH/0800 6983384

Thank you from your dental team.

Catherine and Joanne - Onerahi Oral Health
Clinic

Home Support North Charitable Trust - Support Worker - Parua Bay / Whangarei Heads - Urgent

We are specifically looking for a person in the vicinity of Parua Bay and Whangarei Heads area to work from Wednesday to Sunday offering 16 hours per fortnight.

If you have a caring, fun and compassionate nature as well as some time to spare we would love to hear from you.

You could even refer a friend or neighbour if you know of anyone who would like to help people in their local community.

If this sounds like you please contact Donna at our Whangarei Office on 09 430 2090



Whangarei District Council in partnership with Parua Bay Residents and Ratepayers Association invite you to..

Whangarei: Here to where?

We want to hear from you; what do you want to see for the District over the next 10 years?

7:30pm Wednesday 28 June 2017 at the Parua Bay Community Centre

www.heretowhere.co.nz



