



# Parua Bay School

"Success Through Effort"

"Ma te mahi ka matou"

**Newsletter – 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

**Term 1, Week 10**

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Kia ora koutou whanau

The end of term is fast approaching and, although this has been a long term, the pace doesn't seem to be diminishing in any way. The student led conferences in week 9 proved to be very successful with a high percentage of parents and students attending these meetings. Now in our third year of three way conferences, the philosophy of these conferences seems to be flowing through the school, with students taking more ownership of their learning journeys the further they progress through the school. The general feedback from teachers about the round of conferences this year was very positive; we will formally reflect and self-review these conferences as a staff during the last week of term. However, if you have any feedback you would like to give us on these conferences, please e-mail me on [principal@paruabay.school.nz](mailto:principal@paruabay.school.nz)

Our new building at the far end of the school is beginning to take shape very quickly. This phase of the building is very obvious with the walls and roof being constructed in a very short timeframe. It is exciting seeing the evident progress made, and we are all looking forward to enjoying this modern learning environment from Term 3 onwards. If you would like to see the internal plans for the building please feel free to pop into the office and ask Carol for the designer's plans for the building. Once this building is complete, half of the school will have been transformed into these modern learning environments. (Rooms 1- 4 and the new building which consists of 4 classrooms.) The next phase of the building programme will look to upgrade the remainder of the school. The Board of Trustees and I have been in consultation with the Ministry of Education for the past few months discussing the possibility of up to 10-12 new classrooms at Parua Bay School. If this is achieved, and we have every expectation that this will happen, Parua Bay School will be a virtually brand new school. This is really exciting and is an exceedingly bright light at the end of the tunnel.

After upwards of 20 years continued service at Parua Bay School, Lyn Hammond has decided to "hang up his boots" and retire as caretaker of the school. We would like to thank Lyn for his dedication and service to the school over a long period of time.

Finally, it has been a very sad time for all this week with the funeral of Ross Smith on Monday. The huge attendance at this ceremony was indeed a mark of respect for a man who was loved by many and admired by everyone. Our love and prayers go out to Helen and her family at this time.

Nga mihi ra

Danny Jewell

## Upcoming Events

Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Whanau Hui @ School 4.00pm Arts, Craft & Food Meeting 6-7pm
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	ANZAC Ceremony - 9.30am End of Term 1
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	First day of Term 2

*Arts, Craft & Food Show*  
Meeting Tonight 4<sup>th</sup> April - 6-7pm

It's that time of year again and our main annual fundraiser, the Arts, Craft & Food Show is only about 10 weeks away! (Queen's Birthday Monday, June 5th). A classroom will be set up with a babysitter for those of you that need to bring your kids.



**Parent phone Calendar App coming soon!**

Keep up to date and informed about what is going on at school.



# Holiday Programme

Full Day 08:00 a.m.-06:00 p.m. \$45.00  
 Short Day 08:00 a.m.-03:00 p.m. \$35.00  
 Half Day (AM) 08:00 a.m.-01:00 p.m. \$25.00  
 Half Day (PM) 01:00 p.m.-06:00 p.m. \$25.00  
 Trip Day 08:00 a.m.-06:00 p.m. \$55.00



\*\*\*CLOSED\*\*\*  
**Mon 17 Apr**  
**SORRY, WE'RE CLOSED**  
 EASTER MONDAY

**Easter**  
**Tue 18 Apr**  
  
 Hot Cross buns, easter eggs, chocolate and an Easter Egg Hunt.

**MKR - Parua Bay**  
**Wed 19 Apr**  
**MKR MY KITCHEN RULE**  
 Come along and make a 3 course meal for judging. Starter, Main and Dessert!

**Flying Science**  
**Thu 20 Apr**  
  
 Explore the science of flight. Build rockets, parachutes, paper helicopters and planes.

**Freaky Friday**  
**Fri 21 Apr**  
  
 Dress up in some freaky, whacky or insane clothes and do some crazy things!

**Anzac Day**  
**Mon 24 Apr**  
  
 Let's make some Anzac Cookies, poppies and remember the spirit of the Anzac soldiers.

\*\*\*CLOSED\*\*\*  
**Tue 25 Apr**  
**SORRY, WE'RE CLOSED**  
 ANZAC DAY

**Trip Day**  
**Wed 26 Apr**  
  
 \*\*\*LIMITED SPACES\*\*\* Trip Day

**Character Day**  
**Thu 27 Apr**  
  
 Come along dressed up as your favourite character from a book, movie or game.

**Kids Choice**  
**Fri 28 Apr**  
  
 Throughout the holiday programme kids will vote what they want to do on the final day.

For more information, call Or 0221835083 or email paruabay@skids.co.nz

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## Holiday Fun at KIWI NORTH 14th to 30th April 2017



### Close encounter with Flash the Tuatara

19th to 28th April after 11am kiwi feeding. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. *At keepers discretion.*



Kiwi Feeding & keeper talk - 11am, 1pm, and 3pm daily.



### Story Book Character Day 2017 Easter Sunday 16th April

Clifford the Big Red Dog will be here! Come in costume, 12pm parade with prizes donated by **Scholastics**



Story reading in the Museum  
 Kiwi feeding and keeper talk, 11am, 1pm & 3pm in the Kiwi House.



30 minute Tour \$2.00 per person On the hour and half hour



### Explore the Mobile Library

- Train & Tractor Rides
- Coffee, Food and Fun **Rock & Mineral Club**
- Pony Rides
- Whirlitza 'Eggsactly' Easter
- Bumper Ball Egg Hunt
- Face Painting

Adults \$10. Kids FREE.

**10AM to 3PM** Family fun supporting the Whangarei Museum & Heritage Trust.  
 Gate 2, Kiwi North, SH14 Maunu, Whangarei  
 09-4389630 [www.kiwinorth.co.nz](http://www.kiwinorth.co.nz)

EXHIBITION  
**"Settlement to City"**  
 1860 to 1960  
 Exploring the evolution of the Whangarei home.  
 Mim Ringer Gallery  
 Whangarei Museum



"Kiwi North Kids" Concession Card  
  
 10 visits for school age children value \$20.00. Under 14yrs MUST be accompanied by an adult. No Expiry  
[www.kiwinorth.co.nz](http://www.kiwinorth.co.nz) Phone: 09 4389630

### HERITAGE PARK RIDES

19th to 28th April 2017  
 10am to 2pm,  
 Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.  
 Mini trains Wednesdays only 10.30 to 2

[www.planetariumnorth.co.nz](http://www.planetariumnorth.co.nz)

SUMMER SKYS

Saturday nights 7.15 to 9pm.  
 Adults \$15, children 4-17 \$7.50

10 am to 4pm daily, Gate 1, 500 SH 14 Maunu, Whangarei  
 09-4389630 ext 0 - [www.kiwinorth.co.nz](http://www.kiwinorth.co.nz)

## FANTASTIC GYMNASTICS 2017

fun and fitness for children of all ages

recreational  
 competitive tumbling  
 NEW kindy class  
 playgym



**WHERE** Parua Bay Community Centre  
**WHEN** Monday - Thursday afternoons  
**CONTACT** call/text 0276659174  
[hannah@fantasticgymnastics.co.nz](mailto:hannah@fantasticgymnastics.co.nz)

### Manaia Hockey

Mini Sticks Development (Year 1/2) after school on the PBS field every TUESDAY.  
 Mini Sticks (Year 3/4) & Kiwi Sticks (Year 5/6) at Tikipunga HS every WEDNESDAY from 3.45pm.

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