

#### Kia ora koutou, Dear Parents and Whānau,

The last few weeks of term have seen quite a few students impacted by flu or flu-like illnesses. **Thank you for keeping your child(ren) home when they are unwell**, as much as helping your child's recovery this is also reducing the risk of spreading any sickness bugs. I am sure you are aware of the information in the public domain around **free flu jabs for children** - if not, please see the following link - <u>Free Flu jabs 3-12 year olds</u>. Although we have stocks of face masks in school, we are not currently insisting on students wearing masks unless the education sector is mandated to do so. That said, please send your child to school with a mask, or ask for a mask from the Office should you wish your child to wear one. Please also visit the following link re <u>COVID re-infection</u>.

Thank you to parents who responded to the consultation around the **Relationships and Sexuality Education** materials for students at Parua Bay School. The materials can be found on the '<u>Documents</u>' page of the school website. The vast majority of respondents to the survey were happy with the planned resources and lesson materials - as such the programme will be used to deliver the New Zealand Curriculum expectations re Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE).

Each set of RSE lesson plans is preceded by a summary page indicating themes and activities prior to the actual resources, including contents. Highlighted in yellow are sections or 'activities' the teachers will not be teaching. The **RSE programme will be commencing in Term 3 2022.** If parents do not wish their child to participate in a particular RSE activity, parents will need to contact their child's class teacher or the school office so that alternative arrangements can be made for your child during that particular lesson or activity. If you have any questions regarding the RSE lesson materials, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Intermediate students experienced an exciting blend of water-based, historic and localised experiences over the last few days - on the 1st July the students were hauling lines, raising sails and climbing the rigging on a remarkable trip aboard the **R. Tucker Thompson sailing ship**. The students loved the experience - potentially a powerful glimpse back in time and very relevant to the early days of Parua Bay and Whangarei. On the 4th July a large number of **students paddled their way along the** <u>Waikare Creek and Pataua River</u>. Thank you to parents who assisted with **kayaks** and safety boat. The children had to be very determined, for many this was the longest paddle they had experienced. A fulfilling challenge in a significant part of our own backyard. Well done to the staff for organising and running these enriching events.

Several items for you to be aware of: the school front gate will be unlocked during the holidays so that families can make use of the courts and playgrounds. Gates will however be locked if we experience vandalism etc. Mr Casey Greive finished teaching with us this week - he has been very popular with both staff and students. We wish him well as he travels to Berlin! Information regarding the bookings for Student Led Conferences, taking place in Week 2 of Term 3 will be communicated shortly for parents to book in. For your information, Board of Trustee elections are approaching, information sessions for interested parents will be held on Tuesday 26th July at 2.30pm and Thursday 28th July from 6pm, a great way to support your child's school. For more information see - Becoming a Board Member.

We are having a number of students who are heading to the shops after school prior to the later buses or sports training. For **obvious safety reasons**, if your child has permission to access the local shops please let the school office know. And finally - it's not too late to buy tickets for the **PTA Soirée on Saturday 9th July** at the school hall - thank you to our amazing PTA team!

Whether action-packed or relaxing, enjoy the break. The Staff and I look forward to seeing all our wonderful students in Term 3.

Ngā mihi mahana,

Mark Ashcroft Principal

## **Upcoming Events**

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	TERM 2 Ends
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	PTA Social Soirée - 6pm to midnight in School Hall
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	AIMS Games Fundraising Tupperware Party in School Staff Room @ 2pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	TERM 3 Starts
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Board of Trustees Election Information Meeting @ 2.30pm
Thursday 28th July 2022	Board of Trustees Election Information Meeting @ 6pm

## Bon voyage Mr Grieve (Matua Casey), we will miss you so much....





On Monday 18th July at 6pm the Giant Drop In Choir is opening to the public to SING FOR UKRAINE! All are welcome- you don't need to be a great singer, you just need love in your heart! Come, sing and make a donation for humanitarian needs in Ukraine. ONE ONE SIX 6pm Monday 18th July

# Yrs 7 and 8 Sailing and Kayaking

























Parua Bay school is looking for 5 parent representatives on its Board of Trustees. Being a school trustee is an important role - our school board needs people around the table with a range of competencies, skills and personal qualities, who are interested in making a positive difference to our children's learning.

#### **ELECTION TIMELINE**

**Friday 15 July** We will call for nominations (nomination forms will be distributed by email - hard copies will be available from the office)

> Tuesday 26th July & Thursday 28th July 'Meet the Board' drop-in sessions in Staffroom

Wednesday 3 August Nominations close at midday (nominations can be submitted online at our election portal or by paper copy)

> Weds 10 August Voting papers issued (if election required)

> > Mon 12 September Postal votes close

Tues 13 September Votes counted and results declared

Board takes office on 14th September

### **STEP FORWARD FOR YOUR SCHOOL!**

For more information go to www.schoolboardelections.org.nz



Enquiries to Returning Officer: Lisa.currie@paruabay.school.nz

# Parua Bay School Navigating Learning Together

# SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS 2022

# **INFORMATION SESSIONS**

## Come and find out what it's all about!

We will be holding some informal drop-in sessions for anyone interested in learning more about being a trustee

Tues 26th July 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Thurs 28th July 6:00pm - 7:00pm

## Venue: Staff Room, Parua Bay School

Nominations close on Weds 3rd August so if you are keen to represent Parua Bay School on the school board make sure you get along to one of these sessions.

For more information on becoming a board member go to: schoolboardelections.org.nz

Returning Officer: lisa.currie@paruabay.school.nz Ph: (09) 436 5814

### **Meet our Board**











Co-opted Member



A big THANK YOU to Ecosse Business Systems for sponsoring an EFTPOS machine for the PTA Soiree on 9th July. We appreciate your support!



Parua Bay School is excited to launch Sponsorship Packages in support of the school! The Sponsorship Packages are available to anyone who would like to be involved.

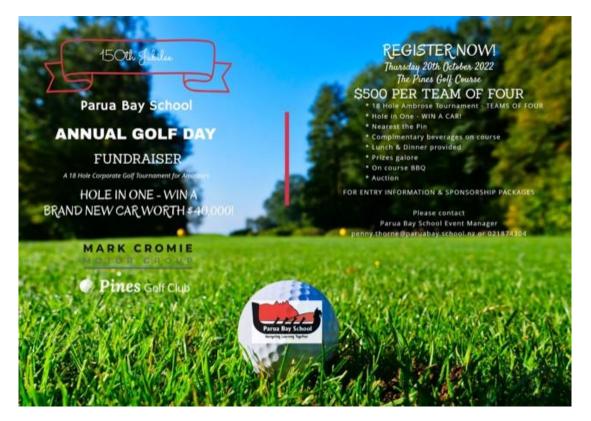
What is Parua Bay School fundraising for?

Software licences for the school Teacher Aides Chromebooks for students to use at school Pool shade School & Community Digital signboard Pool Seating School Hall Audio Visual system Climbing Wall Student Trip subsidy funds School Minibus Scuba Diving funding 150th Jubilee event

We would love to hear from you, so do feel free to reach out at any time to discuss this further or put us in touch with anyone you know who would like to be involved with Parua Bay School.

We also have the Annual Golf Day Fundraiser in October which has a range of Sponsor Packages available. This is going to be a great day and registrations are now open.

For further information, please contact penny.thorne@paruabay.school.nz







## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM FUTSAL FOCUSED - BUT SO MUCH MORE!

For kids aged 6 - 16yrs Monday 11th - Friday 15th July 8:30 -4:00pm

For details and registration visit our website northland futsal academy.co.nz

admin@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz
021 246 7328 Gollow us on Facebook

#### 420 WINTER SAILING HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

SAIL NORTHLAND

with Sail Northland at Parua Bay

Let's get together again and spend some time working on team racing, match racing, boat skills, strategies and more.

#### Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd July

We will be offering a holiday programme for intermediate and high school aged students. You can choose which days you would like to attend - whether that is 1, 2 or 3 days but would encourage you to attend all 3 days for the most training value.

2022

COST: \$60 per day per person TIME: 10 am - 3 pm

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