

What's happening?

Please note and put aside the following dates:-

8th March—School Picnic

9th March—Room 4 trip to Otorohanga kiwi house

15th March—Pita Pit lunches

17th March—Lower Waipa Swimming sports

27th March—Board of Trustees meeting 7.00pm

Classes leading assembly:

10 March	Room 1
24 March	Room 4
31 March	Room 2

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What a great start we have had to 2017.

In this community newsletter we encourage those who live in the area, whether you have an association with the school or not, to feel free to join us for all the events and activities we stage. If you do not receive a monthly newsletter hardcopy in a timely fashion or would like our weekly copy to keep up with what is going on we can email you a copy each week or it can be viewed on our website at www.paterangi.school.nz

Student learning and opportunities to demonstrate their abilities have flourished. 50 students have had their efforts in class recognised and rewarded in school assemblies, our new students have been formally welcomed and made to feel part of this wonderful learning environment and many parents have taken the opportunity to meet their child's teacher. Expectations for learning have been set, with particular focus on Literacy and Mathematics, routines established or confirmed, and early observations of our students' shows them engaged in learning and responding to the challenges. In a recent conversation I asked what they students came to school for and the unanimous answer was **"to learn"** but when I asked them what that meant they were unsure, however after discussion we came up with learning being **"able to understand and use what we read, write and calculate."**

I find it stimulating that I am reminded on a daily basis of the wonderful learning environment the students, staff and parents of Paterangi School are a part of. Students are engaged in learning which both reflects their needs and challenges them to produce their best and advance their skills and knowledge. The staff is committed and work constantly to produce exciting and challenging programmes and the parents are supportive of their child's endeavours. I am confident that this environment and the commitment of those within it will produce sustained learning for all.

Camps –

Room 1 have been to Hot Water Beach and Cathedral Cove this week for a 3 day camp and I am sure with the activities planned they will have had wonderful learning experiences.

Year 7 & 8 Leadership Camp –

This took place 2 weeks ago and the experiences had are already showing in how the individuals and the class as a whole are conducting themselves and reflecting on what it takes to lead and also to contribute positively to a team.

All of these camps could not take place without the generous support of the parents providing transport and supervision of the children as well as the many hours of preparation and organisation of the staff. My thanks go to all involved.

Prospective students/parents –

Parents of students who are soon to reach school age are encouraged to come and have a visit, see what we offer, join in with our year 1 class, discuss our philosophies, routines and expectations. We do not have an enrolment policy so are able to take students from anywhere and at any stage of their learning journey from years 1 to 8. Our roll is currently 96 and with indicated enrolments likely to build to around 105 so some places are available. If you know of anyone who is interested in sending their child to Paterangi then encourage them to make contact as early as possible.

Class Awards

- Room 4:** Mason - amazing progress and confidence in the pool
Kodah - giving things a go and growing confidence in writing - you can do it!
- Room 3:** Toby - for always being ready to learn and following our Golden Rules all the time.
Harrison - for the effort you are putting into your writing.
- Room 2:** Oliver - for super reading and story writing. You put great humour in your writing.
Georgia - for following instructions and class routines well. You are trying hard with all class tasks.
- Room 5:** Joseph - for displaying excellent leadership at the overnight camp and leadership day.
Isabella G - for displaying excellent determination and desire with her swimming, learning and senior leadership activities.



Rooms 2 and 3 went to Raglan last week as part of their studies about life between the Tides and Tidal communities. Thank you to all the parents who provided transport and supervision on the trip.



Last Friday our Year 7 & 8 students attended a Team Energize Leadership day at Albert Park, Te Awamutu where they showed great teamwork and had a lot of fun. Thank you to the parents who provided transport and supervision.

Ngarunui Beach

Yesterday I ran down the hill, and then I went on the sand. "The sand is hot!" I said. The sand burnt my feet so badly that I had to go in the water. The water was so cold, but the water cooled my feet.

We were at Ngarunui beach for our school trip. I went with Mrs Reihana, Divij and Ethan. Mrs Reihana's ute went so fast. When Mrs Reihana went around corners my car seat kept slipping off the seat.

Then Mrs Reihana gave us some peppermints. The peppermints tasted like spice to me.

At the beach Taylah's dad played tag. Taylah's dad is faster than me.

In the afternoon we went in the water. Some big waves came and pushed me down. I had fun going to Ngarunui beach, especially going in the water.

By Dylan (Room 2)



Room 1 have been having a great time on their camp at Hot Water Beach.

You are Invited to Paterangi School Picnic -

On Wednesday 8th March the school and PTA will be hosting our annual picnic from 5pm. This is an opportunity for families and members of the local community to meet informally at school bringing a picnic tea and enjoying the activities put on by the PTA (lolly scramble, water slide, sack races etc.)



School Jackets & Sweatshirt -

We will be making an order for school jackets and sweatshirts on 20th March if there is enough interest so if you are wanting to order one, please let us know by then. Orders are only made once a term on pre-orders with no jackets or sweatshirts being held in stock at school.

Prices are:
Childs jacket \$55
Adult jacket \$85
Hoody sweatshirt
(child and adult sizes) \$55

Samples can be seen at the school office.

Annual Easter Raffle –

The PTA is again organising an Easter Raffle. Tickets will go home next week.

Donations for the prizes are needed and we ask each family to please donate an Easter item towards the raffle prize.

This is the PTA's major fund raising event for the Term and greatly appreciates the help of the whole community to make our raffles such a success. The profits are going towards supporting the educational opportunities for ALL so please support them.

Mathsbuddy –

The Board of Trustees has agreed to subsidise this by up to \$10 per child making the cost a maximum of **\$20 for the year.**

We have made this compulsory this year and note that several students have not yet paid their fee. This is to be paid to the office asap.

We want every child to take part as the programme is highly effective and supports what is being done in class and all classes will be using it as part of their class programme. Students are able to access the programme from any computer any time as long as they remember their log on and pass word. Please make payment by Friday 10th March



Swimming Sports –

Our annual swimming sports were held on Thursday evening with most children taking part in something. Well done to all and many thanks to all the helpers and supporters.

Particular thanks to the PTA for providing sustenance for all who needed it. This is a great yet very small group who do fantastic work for all the children to benefit so if you can help them, join them to ensure this continues.

Communication/Bus/ After school care –

Often children are involved in activities or have a change of plans for their journey home. We need to know what these arrangements are so we can be sure children are where they should be. If you are taking children out of school please sign out and in at the office and if your child is changing their method of transport home make sure they communicate this to the office and bus monitors prior to leaving.

Pita Pit Lunches

These will be available at school on Wednesday 15th March. Order forms and more information will be in next week's newsletter.

Popcorn— \$1.00 from the school office at morning tea and lunch breaks.

ICAS Entry Form

Student Name:

Subject (tick which you are entering)	Test Date	Cost
Science	30th May	\$9.50
Spelling	14th June	\$11.50
English	1st August	\$9.50
Mathematics	15th August	\$9.50
		TOTAL

New South Wales Tests (ICAS)

These will be made available again to students in English (\$9.50), Mathematics (\$9.50), Spelling (\$11.50), and Science (\$9.50) Please indicate your child's intention to enter any or all of these test by the end of Term 1, by filling in the form. ICAS tests are for Year 4 and over.

WANTED TO RENT

Rural rental urgently required for professional woman and daughter. 3 bedroom plus lockable shed/garage for storage preferred. Must allow 2 outside dogs that can be kept separate from the house section if necessary. At present we are housesitting with belongings in storage and the dogs in kennels, so looking for something as soon as possible.
Please contact Denise 021 204 1745



Te Awamutu Association Football Club is now taking registrations for junior players for the 2017 season.

*Players can register via the club website
www.teawamutuafc.co.nz*

Alternatively they can visit the Te Awamutu Stadium at Armstrong Ave on the 11th March between 9am and 12 to register in person.

*Any queries please email
teawamutu.a.f.c@gmail.com*

Term Dates 2017

Term 1 Tuesday 31 January—Thursday 13 April
Term 2 Monday 1 May—Friday 7 July
Term 3 Monday 24 July—Friday 29 September
Term 4 Monday 16 October—Thursday 14 December



Blu Suds Laundry Powder
Paterangi PTA Fundraiser

Available at Paterangi School
\$4kg container for \$25.00
Economical, low-foaming, eco-friendly
Laundry Powder.

Website and Newsletters -

The school website is regularly updated with information about upcoming events. Please use this site, our school Facebook page and the weekly newsletters to keep up with school events.

COOLING DOWN FOR SUMMER

Fizzy drinks can contain a lot of sugar which is not good for our teeth. Fizzy drinks don't contain any goodness (vitamins, minerals etc.) for growing children.
1 can of fizzy drink = 10tsp sugar
1 600ml bottle fizzy drink = 16tsp sugar



Rusty Player Orchestra
(in conjunction with Orchestra Central)
Will be playing
Sunday 5th March 9am—1pm
at Te Awamutu Events Centre
with mini performances at 10am and 11.30am
Cost Free!

JOIN our CLUB

Junior Muster 2017
Saturday 4 March 10:00 – 12 and
Wednesday 8 March 6-7pm
If your child is between the age of 3 and 13 years
Come along and join our club!
Subs \$35 or \$50 per family for season.
Free BBQ provided for all registered members
On Saturday 4th of March Muster at
Ohaupo Rugby and Sports Club
For further details contact
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Important Notice

Dental Checks

The Mobile Dental Van is currently at Pekaeru Primary (Te Rahu Road, Te Awamutu) We would like to offer a dental check up to all Paterangi students, if you would like a check up and haven't had one late 2016 or early 2017 please call 0800 825 583. This Mobile Dental Unit is only in Te Awamutu until March 9th.

