

What's happening?

Please note and put aside the following dates:-

14th August—Board of Trustees meeting 7.00pm

15th August—ICAS Maths exam

16th August—Lower Waipa Cross Country at Paterangi School

21st August—Room 1 & 5 trip to Te Awamutu Museum.

25th August—Daffodil Day

BOT meeting –

The first BOT meeting of the term will be held on Monday 14th August from 7:00pm in the Library.

Welcome to Paterangi School -

Welcome to Mikayla who has started school this week as a new entrant.

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Principal

A busy start once again with children and staff back into the swing immediately. Our Writing, Reading, Spelling and Basic Facts focus continues and it has been great to share with some of the classes the work they are doing in these areas. Support from home is essential and appreciated with many of the children having read for over 125 nights and many more than 150, indicating that this has been maintained throughout the holiday period.

Congratulations –

To all those who sat the ICAS Spelling examination last term. The results have returned with all doing well but in particular Kaeden for his Distinction Certificate putting him in the top 5% of all year 7 students in New Zealand who sat, and to Amber, for her Credit Certificate putting her in the top 25%, and also to Della and Isabella for their Merit Certificates.

Senior Class visit –

Our year 7 & 8 class went to Te Awamutu College on Tuesday to experience some of the Technology and Arts classes. They took part in Hard Materials, Music, Makeup Art and Graphics and Design. The students were able to observe what the college students were producing giving them the opportunity to see what is on offer and also get a taste of working with the tools and instruments. A thoroughly worthwhile day and yet another opportunity for our senior class.

Picking up children –

Concern continues with the collection of children at the end of the school day. I would appreciate it if parents could encourage children to wait to be collected rather than walk through the busy car park or walk across the tennis courts to be collected from in front of them.

Cross Country –

Our school cross country sports are being held **next Wednesday the 16th of August** in conjunction with the Lower Waipa event. We require some help to supervise parts of the course so if you are able to help please be in touch. The PTA is once again running the provision of food and beverages and will need assistance with the barbecue and selling. Please help out this wonderful organisation by offering some of your time during the day. The races start at 11.30am with the year 1 children and then progressively at approximately 20 minute intervals.



Each family is asked to provide baking for this event and a plate will go home on Monday and ask that these be returned on Wednesday morning to the office. We ask that you provide baking please, muffins, cakes, cupcakes, scones or slice, not bought biscuits.

Reading –

As all are aware we have a nightly reading programme in place which is supported with a reading log and rewards for endeavour. I am aware that there are a number of children who have not read for 25 nights this year yet or have not had this recorded, while others are at 150 nights. This reading programme is to support the work undertaken in classrooms and as written several times before, supports progress with comprehension, spelling, writing skills and the general conventions of language and its use. We urge you strongly to support this programme and your child's reading by making sure this 10 minute or so task is undertaken.

Class Awards

- Room 4:** Madison - for being a wonderful Paterangi Citizen. You are always being kind and helpful to others, and have been super supportive to the Kiwi chicks.
Avery - for amazing storywriting this week, and learning to count on in Math.
- Room 4A:** Mikayla - Welcome, it is lovely to have you here!
- Room 3:** Noah J - for the hard work you are putting into your Reading tasks. You read the information carefully and write full descriptive answers.
Niamh - for using beautiful expression when reading aloud. You make an awesome Baby Owl.
- Room 2:** Oliver - for imaginative and entertaining story writing.
Blair - for great reading, for following routines well, and for always doing your duties.
- Room 1:** A.J. - for his kind and thoughtful nature towards others in the class. He is quick to help out when people need a hand.
Matthew C - for his persistence in maths. Keep working hard on learning new mathematical knowledge Matthew.
- Room 5:** Ashton - for making positive progress in his learning and developing his leadership qualities.
Sam W - for displaying focused effort during his learning. Well done Sam.

Pet Day –

This is being held on **Wednesday 18th October**, which is the first week of next term. Some children are beginning to select lambs and calves so I remind them that this is a significant commitment which needs to be stuck to through to the events scheduled. Group Day will follow on the Tuesday 24th of the following week at Paterangi.

Basketball -

The draw for tonight, Friday 11th August -

Y5&6 Paterangi Lakers vs TAPS, 4.30pm Court 2

Y7&8 Paterangi Bulls vs TAI Clutch City, 6.15pm Court 1

Netball -

Draw for Saturday 12th August

Paterangi Pixels 10.40am

Paterangi Pirates 10.40am

Learning Journal return–

You will have received these at the end of last term and have hopefully spent some time discussing these with your child. Please comment and identify goals with them for the term ahead and have **returned them to the class teacher.**

No formal interviews are scheduled but could I assure you that we are always receptive to discussions about student progress and achievement. If you would like to meet please contact to arrange a suitable time.

Orchard -

A group of our senior students have been fundraising to buy fruit trees for our school orchard. They have now bought and planted 7 citrus trees—2 mandarin, 2 orange, 2 tangelo and a lemonade.



Jump Jam Competition -

We had some very exciting news this week when we learnt our Jump Jam team has been offered a spot to compete at the Nationals in Auckland on 28th October.

Hamilton Round the Bridges Sunday 19 November

We are entering a team in this year's Round the Bridges 2km Kids Challenge so if your child is interested, please let us know and we will give you the password to enter online under the Paterangi School team. If you enter before 31st August entry costs \$6 but it goes up to \$8 1 Sept—12 Oct or \$10 13 Oct-13Nov. Runners need to be over the age of 7 years old to enter. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Smyth at the school office .