

Newsletter Term 4 Wk 6 2019

Friday 22nd November 2019

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

2020

With 21 school days left in the 2019 school year, planning for 2020 is well underway. As I mentioned in the last newsletter, 2020 will see some changes at Pauatahanui School. The refurbishment of rooms 9, 9a, 7, 6a and the insulation and replacement of the floors in rooms 5 and 6 will ensure our learning and working environment continues to improve and align to what we believe about teaching and learning. This building project will also mean that at some stage during the early part of 2020 some classes may have to relocate to the learning centre while their classroom is spruced up. This will be a great opportunity for students and staff to put the PAUA values into practice.

This year we will finish with 212 students enrolled at Pauatahanui School. Next year we start with 208 students and will welcome a further 26 students as the year goes on. With a growing roll and some year groups with large numbers of students there will be a change in how our classes and hubs are organised so we are able to keep our class sizes in the 20's. There will also be a change of classroom for all teachers!

Our class plan for 2020

Building our role in the year 7/8 area has been a strategic area of focus since 2014. We now have a record number of year 7 students staying at Pauatahanui School. Our year 7/8 numbers for 2020 will be in the very high 30's. This is a great result. To ensure our class sizes are manageable we will have 2 year 6/7/8 composite classes. One of these classes will operate out of the refurbished Room 9 space and the other will move into the classroom space that is currently occupied by the library. The library will move to Room 8.

We are very excited about how we can develop the leadership of our senior students within this new structure. The inclusion of the year 6 cohort into the senior part of the school will in no way take away any of the special things that our year 7/8 students experience. The year 7/8 's will still go to technology, go on a year 7/8 camp and be involved in a wide range of leadership, sporting and cultural opportunities.

The other noticeable change will be in how we organise the junior school.

In 2020 we will start the year with a new entrant class, a year 1/2 class and two year 2/3 classes. A second new entrant class will open when Sharon Gibson returns to Pauatahanui School in term 3 - more about this exciting news below. The middle part of the school will have two year 4/5 classes. The table below gives an outline of the class structure and where each class will be placed based on what we know at this stage of the year.

New Entrants	Room 4	Rochelle Kearney
Year 1/2	Room 3	Sarah Taylor Maddy Bain Jade Ahrens
Year 2/3	Room 2	
Year 2/3	Room 1	
Year 4/5	Room 6	Jen Cooze Keryn Deller
Year 4/5	Room 5	
Year 6/7/8	Room 9	Melissa Davies



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Term Dates 2020

Term 1

Mon 3 Feb - Thu 9 April

Term 2

Tue 28 April - Fri 3 July

Term 3

Mon 20 July - Fri 25 Sept

Term 4

Mon 12 Oct - Tue 15 Dec

It is likely that 2 teacher only days will be scheduled during the 2020 school year.

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Year 6/7/8	Library	Maria Breuss-McBride Becky Spencer
New Entrants (Terms ¾)	Room 7	Sharon Gibson

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Bradley or Kate.

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Congratulations to Sharon Gibson

Sharon Gibson has been successful in her application for a place in the Royal Society Science Teaching Leadership Program. This means that Sharon will be partnered with a Science organisation for half or the 2020 school year and will develop a deep understanding of the Nature of Science in a scientific context while undertaking some Masters level papers at university. Only a small handful of teachers nationwide are selected for this program so Sharon's acceptance into the program for 2020 is testament to her passion for science and teaching students about the world around them.

The ultimate goal of this program is to strengthen the science curriculum at Pauatahanui School by growing high level scientific teaching and leadership capability. I wish Sharon all the best and look forward to regular updates.

Fundraising

Cha-ching! With the final dribs and drabs of money coming in and the final bills being paid we have a fairly accurate idea of the profit from Potty Planters and Lamb and Calf Day. Obviously we were blessed with amazing weather for both events. This coupled with months of work by some incredible members of our school community, and then all hands on deck for the actual days, means that we look to have raised well over \$60,000.

The Potty's team had a record year with a profit of \$16129. This is in addition to the movie night which funded the purchase of a new greenhouse in the Potty's area.

Everyone who was at Lamb and Calf Day 2019 knows how busy it was. All that business generated approximately \$45300 in profit!

These locally raised funds are essential in supporting the day to day operation of these school and funding the special projects that make Pauatahanui School such an engaging place to learn, play and work.

The BoT has identified a number of initiatives that will be supported by the resourcing that our fundraising efforts bring us.

In 2020 these initiatives include:

- the development of an outdoor learning space where students can engage in protected play, be empowered to manipulate their environment and also engage with nature.
- the purchase of STEAM equipment to kit out a kitchen in the year 6/7/8 learning area
- the replacement of school owned Chromebooks and

Cohort entry- *the Pauatahanui School Board of Trustees has decided to adopt cohort entry as a way of supporting the transition to school for 5 year olds. Cohort entry is when new entrants start school in groups through the year rather than on their fifth birthday.*

Cohort entry is about helping children to settle better in school. Starting school alongside other children helps children build relationships and supports a smoother entry to school life. It can also mean less disruption for new entrant teachers who can prepare for groups of children arriving on a specific date, rather than on an individual and ad hoc basis through the year.

Bradley Roberts
Principal

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Little Sprouts Christmas Giving Tree
Help to change babies' lives this Christmas!

We are excited to let you know that Pauatahanui School has signed up to the Little Sprouts Giving Trees campaign this year.

Working together we will change the lives of babies in real need this Christmas and help over 50 charities!

How Does It Work?

You can drop donations of new baby items and gifts for mums in our School Office. We will be collecting donations between 25 Nov and 17 Dec.

Little Sprouts will then collect our donations to go into baby boxes for families in real need.

These free, life-changing boxes will be given to vulnerable babies by social workers at charity partners including Red Cross Refugee Services, the Women's Refuge, the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Trust, Wesley Community Action, NET, the City Mission, the Mary Potter Hospice, the Salvation Army, Barnardos, the Neonatal Trust, the House of Grace and many more!

What Can You Donate?

You can donate any new baby or infant items (prem up to size 1 year) and new gifts for mum.

Follow Little Sprouts on Facebook (www.facebook.com/LittleSproutsNZ/) for Giving Tree Updates and learn more about the babies they are helping.

Thanks so much for your support,

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- Baby & infant toys
- Nappies - new born size
- Baby and toddler books
- Hooded towels – baby size
- Reusable breast pads
- Bibs

IDEAS FOR SPECIAL MUM GIFTS

- Shampoo & conditioner
- Lip balm
- Moisturiser/face wash
- Nappy bag

Second hand baby items in excellent condition?
👉 Donate them at any Little Sprouts' drop off point.

How else can you help? Sponsor a full
life-changing baby pack for just \$120! You'll
👉 receive a pack photo and info on who you helped
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Entertainment Book for Christmas



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'Tis the season for supporting and we have a great gifting opportunity which helps our fundraising efforts.

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SPORTS NEWS

Parumoana School Athletics

We had a talented group of students competing at the Parumoana Athletics Day on Tuesday 12th November. Thanks to all the parents who volunteered to help out at this event and it was great to see all the supporters encouraging their child and others. Congratulations to all the students who represented their school with pride. The following

students were placed in the top 3 and we are waiting to hear who has qualified for the Regional Athletics later in the term.

Blake - 1st Place 200m; 1st Place 1,500m; 3rd Place 100m; 3rd Place Vortex - Year 7 Boys

Teddy - 2nd Place 200m - Year 7 Boys

Jimmy - 2nd Place High Jump - Year 6 Boys

Dani - 2nd Place 800m - Year 6 Girls

Sofia - 2nd Place Quoits - Year 6 Girls

Alex - 3rd Place Quoits - Year 6 Boys

Corbin - 3rd Place High Jump - Year 5 Boys

Saskia - 3rd Place High Jump - Year 6 Girls

Reuben - 3rd Place Shot Put - Year 5 Boys

Waikanae Pools

On Wednesday 11th December, the whole school will be going to Waikanae Pools for the day. Mark this day in your diary as we would love you to come and enjoy the day with us. More details about this, will be coming out closer to the time.

This event will be free as it is funded by the money raised from the Fun Run.

2020

Looking ahead to 2020 we have some activities booked in already.

Life Education Van will be coming - I know we are all happy to see "Harold" - ask your kids to tell you about him!

Tennis lessons are booked for throughout the term.

We will be continuing our association Project Energize as part of the Health and PE programme.

HIGH FIVE

Thank you to all the students and their families for bringing their animals to lamb & calf day. Listed are the winners in the different age categories:

Year 0/1/2 Lambs

1st - Eli Rankin

2nd - Hunter Press

3rd - Jackson Bryan

Year 3/4 Lambs

1st - Edward Burke

2nd - Connie Jowett

3rd - William Scott

Year 5/6 Lambs

1st - Alice Robinson

2nd - Jordy Woolnough

3rd - Oliver Scott

Year 7/8 Lambs

1st - Charlotte Scott

2nd - Alicia Judd

Calves

1st - Alicia Judd

Petting Zoo Animals

Alpaca - Alicia Judd

Rooster - Jack Atkins

Roosters, chickens and chicks - Braxton Tuite

Goats and guinea pig - Cooper + Jordy Woolnough

Rabbits, chicken and chicks - Joe Kovacs

A big thank you goes to Stockdale Farm for supporting us by providing the pony and donkey for the petting zoo.

During this week's assembly value and achievement certificates were given out to the following students

Alex Bateman
Ana Sarniak-Thomson
Corbin Dykes
Francesca Bennett
William Cross
Riley Bateman
Tyler Savage

Hahn Wallace
Connor Blazek
Sullivan Kerr
Mackie Turei
Tobey Phelan
Jessica Silcock

RAUKAWA HUB

Construction

Pauatahanui School students have spent two weeks hammering, sawing, drilling, sanding and gluing to create wonderful construction projects as part of our technology inquiry this term. The projects the children have made have been really diverse; including items such as skateboards, bird houses, jenga blocks, boats and geo-boards. It has been wonderful to see their creativity and innovation in action!

This was made possible by the Porirua City Council who provided a grant to purchase the tools for schools around North Porirua to use for construction- a HUGE thank you to them!

Also, a huge thank you to everyone who came along to help the children build their projects. This learning would not have been possible without your help.

"We measured, sawed and then used sand paper and we made jenga blocks" -Katelyn Room 6

"We could use our imagination to create anything that we wanted." -Annie Room 1



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TAINUI HUB

This week Tainui has been looking at l blends like sl, bl, gl, pl. Our poem of the week was **SLIME**. Today we made slime/oobleck and then we wrote about it. It was messy but lots of fun!

"We made slimey slime. It was gooey, crumbly, and oozing" -Tyler

"Today Tainui made some oobleck/slime. It felt slippery and weird and when it was in the bowl it felt rock hard" - Clare





WHITIREIA HUB

Whitireia Speeches

We had the Whitireia speech finals this week. Thanks to Jane Sheffield who assisted in judging this and gave all the students relevant feedback.

Congratulations to Giarna and Lousia who will be representing the years 7/8 and years 5/6 students respectively at the Parumoana Speech Competition. We wish you all the best/

Epro8 News

By Ollie and Anika on behalf of all the Epro8 contestants

Pauatahanui 1 Yr 5/6: Anika, Leisha, Alexander, Lewis Parker

Pauatahanui 2 Yr 5/6: Ollie, Louisa, Connor, Jack

Pauatahanui 1 Yr 7/8: Mason, Kaea, Alani, Edmund

Epro8 is a challenge where schools from around the wellington area choose 4 people that they think work together well and know some things about electric cables and mechanics, and they enter them in Epro8 where they have to build structures and do tasks to earn the most points in under 2 hours and 30 minutes.

In Pauatahanui 1 Yr %. At the start the man told us that there were orange balls and if you opened it and started on that task you get an extra 30 points. We got an orange ball and inside was a task called: Party contraption. We had to make a fifty cm tall frame that was as long as our workspace then put a white board on the end with a donkey on it - pin the tail on the donkey. After that we had to make it mechanical by making it so that when a bolt tied to some rope touched the white board with the donkey on, it made a light turn on. We also made a shopping trolley that moved with someone pushing it and it held a basket with plastic food in it.

In Pauatahanui 2 Yr 5/6 they built a roller coaster track that went round a 1.5 meter high structure, you would put rods around the base to so the ball would roll down the track but you had to put on barriers so the ball wouldn't fall off. You had put the track around the circumference of the base then you had to put a counter on which would count 25 runs by a little lever at the end witch every time it got hit it would count one ride after the lever gets hit 25 times it would sensor a light to say they have used all their rides. In order to do this you had to connect the counter to the battery box with colour coded cords then you would also connect the cords to the light so it would shine on after their 25 runs although it was a lot harder to do than when you say it.

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In Pauatahanui 1 Yr 7/8 they built a roller coaster same as Pauatahanui 2. They made a trolley like the Yr 5/6 but after that they made it mechanical by putting chords and battery boxes on it so it moved by itself with the push of a button and the wheels moved by itself with the chords into the battery box. ON the roller coaster they had a drop where the ball came down the coaster then fell off onto another track then down to the bottom. In the end they had tied with another team and had to do a tie breaker and had to make the tallest tower in 4 minutes. With 5 seconds to go mason put a bar on top of their tower and as the time stopped the other teams tower collapsed and the year 7/8 s came third.

All the teams made it to the semi-finals. Pauatahanui 2 came third, Pauatahanui 1 came second, and the night before the Pauatahanui Yr 7/8 came third.



Parumoana Athletics Day

This years Parumoana athletics was quite tough this year. Everyone had a smile on their face even if they didn't place. The Parumoana competition took place on the 12 of November. Here are the people who came: The year 5/6s included: Dani, Lewis, Jesse, Corbin, Jordy, Holly Louisa, Francesca, Will, Alexander, Jimmy, Saskia, Sofia, Reuben, and Leisha. The year 7/8s included: Blake, Teddy, Jonny, Joe, Finn, Mason, Kaea, Yasmin, Brooke, Charlotte, Shannon, Alani, Ellie, and Neve. Here is the list of activities we did at Parumoana: high jump, sprints, long distance, shot put, quiet, long jump, vortex, and the school relay. We had 4 teams doing the school relay. Here are the teams: year 5&6 girls are Holly, Francesca, Louisa, and Dani. the year 5&6 boys are Jordy, Corbin, Lewis, and Jesse. The year 7&8 girls are Yasmin, Brooke, Charlotte, and Kaea. The year 7&8 boys are, Blake, Teddy, Mason, and Joe. This year, the year 5&6 girls relay came 2nd in their heat but we don't know over all since there were two heats. The year 5&6 boys relay placed in 3rd place. Well done to all the athletes who came in the top 3 places and good luck to all the athletes who are moving on to regionals.

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A photograph of a female dancer in a bright pink leotard performing a dynamic pose on a dark stage. She is in a lunge-like position with one leg extended forward and the other back, arms raised in a graceful arc. The background is dark, and the floor is light-colored. Text is overlaid on the image.

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