

# NEWSLETTER

## PARKVALE SCHOOL

*Personal Best, Respect & Responsibility, Integrity, Determination, Enjoyment*

12<sup>th</sup> April 2024



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Apr**  
Last Day of Term 1
- **SCHOOL CLOSED  
FOR TWO WEEKS**
- **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Apr**  
First Day of Term 2  
Camp 1 @ Camp Kaitawa  
PTA Meeting
- **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May**  
Camp 2 @ Camp Kaitawa
- **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May**  
School Assembly @ 9am

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# Welcome

## PRIDE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the following students who received Pride Awards during the last fortnight.



Scarlett Blades, Ryan Alder, Aldred Victoria, Humreet Sidhu, Lilly Ngametua  
Ruby Smith, Zephaniah Tumarae, Gurtaj Singh, Tyla Howard, Allie Bills,  
Ragnar Bartlett, Rabia Sunder, Addilyn Heal, Lesly Salusalu, Flora Qian,  
Harpah Baldock, Kiarn Tuaputa, Evelyn Dougherty, Oscar O'Connell,  
Nathan Scott & Graham Woolhouse

## DON'T FORGET

**Term 1 Ends Today**

**See you on .....**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2024**



# PRINCIPAL'S EDUCATIONAL COMMENT

## - TE WHAIKŌRERO O TE TUMUAKI

### ONLINE SAFETY CONCERNS FOR TAMARIKI

As the digital revolution continues to sweep through workplaces, classrooms and homes, it is our young people who remain the most vulnerable to harm. I have had a number of parents recently talk to me about the concerns they have with their child's involvement in the social media world.

Many parents continue to look to schools and teachers to put boundaries in place, however there is now the growing awareness and continued struggle over screen time boundaries and behaviours at home. Technology brings with it many benefits for convenience, choice, and connectivity, but unfortunately it can also be used to harm.

The reality that I am becoming more aware of is that many children often have free reign and unsupervised online access. This freedom can be an unsafe space that can impact the mental and physical well-being of tamariki.

A study carried out by Netsafe shows that nearly four in ten New Zealand kids have had contact online with someone they didn't know, and one in ten have gone on to meet someone in person who they encountered online; 23 percent of these children were under 11 years old. The study also reported that whilst issues around online activities and their repercussions are a constant and increasing source of concern for parents, up to 43 percent of the parents do not actively monitor the content, platforms or activities their children engage in online. The study suggests younger children need more active help to protect their safety online to help them develop safety skills before their internet usage likely changes as they head into teenage hood.

My request to you all is simply take the time to set up safety systems and monitoring of your child's internet access at home. Become AWARE.

## CONGRATULATIONS - NGĀ MIHI NUI

### Water Polo Champions

Congratulations to the Champion Parkvale Ika Water Polo team who won the Primary Grade of the HB Water Polo Competition held at the HB Regional Aquatic Centre on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April. They played an excellent game against the Clive Sharks winning by only one goal with a final score of 6-5. The whole team played a strong defensive game with some excellent goal shooting and goal keeping to make the difference.

Team: Baylee Wibrow, Sahaj Kaur-Gosal, Bella Crozier, Alex Craft, Jakobi Tongariro, Ruby Smith, Nico Gerardi, Lawrence Jiang (Taradale Primary) & Issac Chan (Taradale Primary). We must thank Stacey Craft who has coached this team superbly throughout the season with her experience and knowledge - kia ora Stacey.

We'd also like to thank Rebecca Norman, Sharon Codyre & Tamsyn Firth for their time and commitment to allow our other Parkvale children to play water polo in our Taniwha and Mangō teams.



### Singing Star

Congratulations to **Tori Robertson** from Mānuka 5 who competed in the Easter Napier Performing Arts Society Singing Competition in the Under 10 'Song in Costume' section - she sang 'Castle on a Cloud' and achieved a 2<sup>nd</sup> place which is simply amazing.

We think you are a star and very brave for entering these competitions at such a young age. Well done!

# KĪANGA O TE WIKI

**Ka pai hoki koe/kōrua/koutou. Good on You!!!!**

**We are learning this phrase of the week to compliment one another.**

**We are also learning the pronoun 'You' in māori changes according to the number of people it is being said to.**

**Koe = to one person**

**Kōrua = to two people**

**Koutou = to three or more.**

**For instance, we would say to the Water Polo Team above.**

**Ka pai hoki **koutou** for winning the Water Polo Finals. Then to Tori Ka pai hoki **koe** for coming second in the song competition. Then to two people who did well. Ka pai hoki **kōrua**.**

**Karawhiua/Give it a go at home!!!**

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATE



Kia Ora Parkvale Whanau,

On behalf of your Board of Trustees we would like to provide an update as to our recruitment of a new school principal.

We have now formally advertised the position through avenues recommended to us by our educational consultant. These are the New Zealand Educational Gazette and Seek. We feel these avenues will reach out and attract the best candidates for our vacant position.

We are highly committed to recruiting the best possible candidate to continue to lead our school community with PRIDE

Sincerely

Aaron Barrett

Presiding Member





# PARKVALE SCHOOL



## 2024 TERM TWO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEEK	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
ONE	29 April - Term 2 Begins - PTA Meeting @ 7pm	30 April	1 May	2 May	3 May
		← YR 6 CAMP 1 – CAMP KAITAWA - 29 April-3 May →			
TWO	6 May	7 May	8 May	9 May	10 May School Assembly @ 9am
		← YR 6 CAMP 2 – CAMP KAITAWA - 6 - 10 May →			
THREE	13 May	14 May	15 May - National Young Leaders Conference in Palmerston North - Y5/6 Rippa Rugby Tournament	16 May Postponement Date Y5/6 Rippa Rugby Tournament	17 May - Pink Shirt Day - Y3/4 Rippa Rugby Tournament - Pink Shirt Disco
FOUR	20 May Postponement Date Y3/4 Rippa Rugby Tournament	21 May	22 May BOT Meeting @ 7pm	23 May Barefoot 7's Rugby Tournament	24 May School Assembly @ 9am
FIVE	27 May	28 May	29 May	30 May	31 May PROPOSED <b>TEACHER ONLY DAY</b>
SIX	3 June <b>KING'S BIRTHDAY</b>	4 June	5 June	6 June	7 June School Assembly @ 9am
		JUMPING JUNE – JUMP ROPE – HEART FOUNDATION			
SEVEN	10 June	11 June	12 June	13 June	14 June
		JUMPING JUNE – JUMP ROPE – HEART FOUNDATION & KEEPING OURSELVES SAFE- SCHOOLWIDE UNIT			
EIGHT	17 June	18 June	19 June	20 June	21 June School Assembly @ 9am
		JUMPING JUNE/JUMP ROPE – HEART FOUNDATION & KEEPING OURSELVES SAFE			
NINE	24 June Class Photos	25 June Siblings Photos	26 June	27 June	28 June <b>MATARIKI SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
		SCHOOL CLOSURES NORMAL TIME ON WED SCHOOL CLOSURE @ 12PM ON THURS PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES Wed-3:30-7:45pm / Thurs-12:45- 4:45pm			
		BOT Meeting @ 7pm			
TEN	1 July	2 July	3 July	4 July	5 July - School Assembly @ 9am - House Competition <b>END OF TERM TWO</b>

# WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AROUND HERE - PĀNUI

## DISCO CANCELLATION

Our apologies for the inconvenience and late notice of the cancellation of our planned school Disco for Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Unfortunately we have been waiting for our builders to commence the refurbishment of room 6 and 7 in the hope the work can be completed before we start term two. Suddenly we were informed that they had the necessary product and supply of labour and were ready to commence work. To work within their timeframe we were required to move all the furniture from rooms 6 and 7 out on Wednesday and store it in the school hall. This resulted in the hall being too congested with classroom furniture to hold the Disco on Friday night.



We have rescheduled the Disco to be held on **Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> May**, week three, term two. Once again our apologies for the disappointment this may have caused.

## NUI NEWS - NGĀ PĀNUI O TE NGĀ RĀKAU NUI

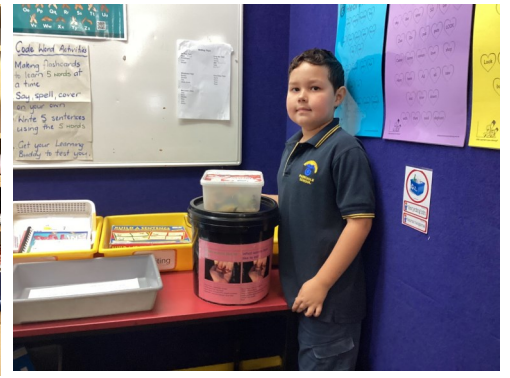
### Enviro Kidz Report

Kia ora koutou katoa/ Hello everyone

Here is an update on the Māra Kai/School gardens. Our awesome caretaker and Mr Pete pitched in to weed the rest of our school gardens.

1. We have two worm farms up and running. Our Envirokidz Shraddhaba, Jesse-James, Siena, Zack, Zayne and Danielle worked hard with Helen our Enviro teacher to do this.
2. We recycle milk bottles from the staffroom to fill with the worm tea which will be great for our gardens
3. We have 2 food scrap buckets, one in the staffroom and one in Room 17 to feed the worm farms daily.
4. Helen came in and taught us about what is actually waste. We checked out our lunch boxes and realized there is hardly any waste that needs to be going to our landfills!!!!
5. Kūmara seedlings that were grown by Room 5 last year and planted out by Mrs Miller and Mrs Lowe are now ready to harvest. Take a look at the photo and the size of one of the kūmara which we will turn into kūmara chips and eat.
6. We are looking forward to seeing how our own compost containers will go and to use that compost soil to plant and grow our sunflower seeds that we harvested while weeding the gardens.
7. Finally, our next Room 17 envirokidz, Reon, Morgan, Skyla, Dom, Riley, Jake, Mia, Gurtaj, getting the project of the school compost bins ready to go. Mr Pete will be putting up our Garden shed to house all our garden tools, building a potting bench, so that many more from the school can use this wonderful resource created by Mrs Blakesley and past parents.

**KA PAI HOKI KOUTOU /GOOD ON YOU for CREATING this wonderful LEARNING ENVIRONMENT.**



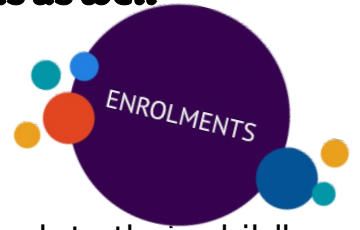
# SCHOOL REMINDERS - NGĀ MAUMAHARA

## SPORTS UNIFORMS

**Mrs Beswick has requested that all Term 1 sports uniforms be returned especially Cricket uniforms.**

**Any other uniform items you have from past sports as well**

**PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE**



## INCOMPLETE ENROLMENTS

We have a number of whanau needing to provide more info to complete their child's enrolment. If you know that we are waiting on any documents or forms such as birth certificate, immunisation certificate, digital consent etc can you please bring them to the office ASAP.

It is extremely important for us to be able to complete your child's enrolment and have up to date information on the database.

These can be emailed to [pastoralcare@parkvale.school.nz](mailto:pastoralcare@parkvale.school.nz) or brought into the office and we can copy for you.

## ENROLMENT REMINDER

If you, or someone you know, has a child starting school in 2024 please call into the school office to pre-enrol them. Pre-enrolling your child allows us to work out our staffing and next class start dates. We have a number of out of zone spaces currently available. Please get in early to guarantee your child's placement.

Thanks so much.



## UN-NAMED UNIFORM

# LOST PROPERTY

We have been inundated with uniform that we can not return to its owners as it is not named. We have a huge amount of unclaimed items in our lost property, which will be donated to charity if unclaimed.

Please take the time during the holidays to name all uniform items so that we can return them to the students.

Any purchases from the 2nd Hand Sale also need to be named

The Office thanks you in advance

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## HB Netball Holiday Programme

When: Hastings 22-24<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 (9am - 3pm)

Who: Years 3 - 8

What: Fundamental Skills, Netball Smart, Swimming

Where: Mitre 10 Park, Hastings

Cost: \$155 (Full 3 Days)

\$110 (Two Days)

\$55 (One Day)

For more information go to the HB Netball Website & the Holiday Programme link

OR contact Georgia @

[community@hbnetball.co.nz](mailto:community@hbnetball.co.nz)

## APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

- Napier**  
15 - 17 April 2024  
9am - 3pm
- Hastings**  
22 - 24 April 2024  
9am - 3pm
- \$155 | 3 Days**  
\$55 Per Day

Fundamental Skills  
NetballSmart  
Swimming  
Lots of Fun!

**YEARS 3-8**

Register Now [community@hbnetball.co.nz](mailto:community@hbnetball.co.nz)

## MAGPIES HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

### APRIL HOLIDAYS - \$50

OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL \$20 FOR A HOLIDAY PROGRAM HAT

WEEK 1:	WEEK 2:
<b>MONDAY 15TH APRIL</b> NAPIER, AGE 7 - 9 TREMAIN FIELD, PARK ISLAND	<b>MONDAY 22ND APRIL</b> NAPIER TUI GIRLS, AGE 7 - 13 TREMAIN FIELD, PARK ISLAND
<b>TUESDAY 16TH APRIL</b> NAPIER, AGE 10 - 13 TREMAIN FIELD, PARK ISLAND	<b>WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL</b> CENTRAL HAWKES BAY, AGE 7 - 13 CHB RUGBY CLUB, WAIPUKURAU
<b>THURSDAY 18TH APRIL</b> HASTINGS, AGE 7 - 13 ELWOOD PARK, HASTINGS	<b>FRIDAY 26TH APRIL</b> DANNEVIRKE, AGE 7 - 13 RUGBY PARK

9 AM START - 3 PM FINISH

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: [HTTPS://WWW.SPORTY.CO.NZ/VIEWFORM/287582](https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/287582)

## WONDERFULLY AWESOME AND TOTALLY UNBORING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

13-28 APRIL 2024

PICK UP A GUIDE TODAY!

[HASTINGSLIBRARIES.CO.NZ](http://HASTINGSLIBRARIES.CO.NZ)



# taitoi

Hawke's Bay Arts & Events Centre

FLUTTER WITH STRINGBEAM PUPPETS

END THE PORTRAIT PAINTER

ROBOT SONG

TJ AND THE GIANT

MESSY MAGIC ADVENTURES SHOW WITH ROLLICKING ENTERTAINMENT

WHĀNAU DAY

BACKSTAGE BUCCANNERS

**robot song**

APRIL 8-19

IGNITING KIDS' CREATIVITY

**LIFT OFF**  
FESTIVAL

APRIL 16 3pm  
APRIL 17 10am & 2pm  
Adults \$20, child \$13, whānau (4) \$60

For tickets, go to [toitovenues.co.nz](http://toitovenues.co.nz)

taitoi  
Hawke's Bay Arts & Events Centre

## Hands up for Lift Off's headline show!

Headlining the Lift Off Kids Festival is Robot Song, an award-winning Australian theatre production and genuine family show!

Robot Song tells the story of 11-year-old Juniper May who has superpowers - being different and creative. However, Juniper's class don't feel the same and send a letter stating that she is 'the most hated person in the school'.

This throws Juniper's world into turmoil and so, supported by her parents, she embarks on a friendship with a discarded robot, Battletac, who helps her find her true voice and celebrate her individuality.

With three show times to choose from, there's plenty of chances to bask in Robot Song's cutting-edge digital technology, animatronics, and beautiful, original musical score these school holidays.



BOOK YOUR TICKETS ON



*'Robot Song is one of the most refreshing and remarkable works I've seen in 25 years. 10/10'* - The Adelaide Show

*"Laugh out loud hilarious, gorgeously told and superbly crafted, a must see."* - Fiona Parker, ABC

When it comes to shows that are NOT to be missed, make sure to add Robot Song to your list and book tickets for **Tuesday 16 April 3pm** or **Wednesday 17 April, 10am or 2pm**.