

NEWSLETTER

PARKVALE SCHOOL

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12th December 2025



DATES

TO REMEMBER

2026

OFFICE HOURS

Monday 26th January
9am - 2pm

Tuesday 27th January
9am - Midday

**FIRST DAY OF
SCHOOL FOR 2026**
Monday 2nd February
@ 8:45am

PRINCIPAL - Aaron O'Neill
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Welcome

PRIDE AWARD RECIPIENTS

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



Zuriel Aumua, Kaia Fuller, Maddison Hislop, Aubrey Whitfield,
Lucas Beazley, Jacob Hocquard, Benji Harper, Rinee Nissanka, Vrinda Rahul,
Mia Kawenga, Harpah Baldock, Zoey Priest, Sargun Kaur, Jett Hansen,
Graham Woolhouse, Mac Kirby, Dakota Mulligan-Johnstone, Eden Porter,
Asees Kaur Hothi, Princess Rebuta, Mason Borschmann,
Kaelin Chowdhury, Beren Livingston & Spencer Hocquard-Beck

*The Parkvale Board of Trustees
& The Parkvale Staff*

*Would like to wish our school
community and students a very Merry
Christmas and a safe and prosperous
New Year*

PRINCIPAL'S EDUCATIONAL COMMENT

- TE WHAIKŌRERO O TE TUMUAKI

Kia ora Parkvale whānau

As we reach the end of the year, it feels right to look back at what has been a full and rewarding time for our school. Our children have shown real curiosity and confidence in their learning. Their end of year reflections spoke about strong friendships, perseverance, leadership and a growing sense of who they are becoming. Across the school we have seen children who take on challenges, who think deeply and who care about each other.

We have also offered a wide range of rich learning experiences. Camps, bike rides, sports events, science and inquiry challenges, kapa haka, Pasifika, performances, creative work in literacy and maths and many everyday moments that sparked real excitement. None of this happens by accident. It comes from thoughtful planning by staff and strong support from whānau.

This year has also brought sector change. A refreshed refreshed curriculum. New expectations linked to Te Tiriti. Shifts in legislation. Through it all, Parkvale has stayed firm in our commitment to give real effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi. It guides how we teach and how we work with each other.

On a personal note, I have loved getting to know our children and their whānau. This community is warm, honest and welcoming, and our children remind me every day why this work matters.

We acknowledge and farewell Gail Sampson. Gail has given steady service to Parkvale and has supported many children with care and commitment. She has worked quietly and consistently alongside our staff and has made a genuine difference for the learners she supported. We thank Gail for her contribution to our school community and wish her every success and happiness as she moves into the next chapter of her life.

We also say farewell to Di Morgan, who leaves us to join her family in Australia for a new adventure. Di has brought kindness, calm and deep care to her work. Her learners have thrived because of her patience and the way she noticed the small things that made a big difference. We thank her for the dedication she has shown to our school and wish her all the very best for what comes next.

Looking to next year, we acknowledge three staff members who are taking leave for one year. Ben Wright, Reuben Cooper and Chayne Beveridge. We thank them for their service and look forward to seeing them return. Stepping in for the year are four talented teachers. Welcome to Lucy McCutcheon, Grace Whaanga, Deb Roseingrave and Tracey Ludeman.

Thank you again for your support throughout the year. Our children grow because of the strong partnership between home and school. I wish you all a safe and happy summer break and look forward to seeing everyone in the new year.

Over the page is our confirmed structure for 2026.

Nga Rakau Iti

Pōhutukawa Branch

Room 17	Tracey Hill / Sophie Nicholson	Year 1
Room 20	Sarah Love (Branch Leader)	Year 1
Room 21	Emma Sullivan	Year 1
Room 22	Trina Dickson	Year 1

Kawakawa Branch (Amy Blakesley - Branch Leader)

Room 11	Anne O'Flaherty	Year 2
Room 12	April Stringfellow	Year 1/2
Room 18	Lucy McCutcheon	Year 2
Room 19	Georgia Walmsley	Year 2

Kōwhai Branch

Room 13	Deb Roseingrave	Year 3
Room 14	Tracey Ludeman	Year 3
Room 15	Kieren Moriarty (Branch Leader)	Year 3

Nga Rakau Nui

Nīkau Branch (Kathy Ramsay - Branch Leader)

Room 1	Maliana Lowe	Year 4
Room 2	Tania Cooper	Year 4
Room 3	Tash Millard	Year 3/4
Room 4	Grace Whaanga	Year 4

Mānuka Branch

Room 5	Kris Miller	Year 5/6
Room 6	Aimee Wong	Year 5
Room 7	Regan Hughes	Year 5/6
Room 8	Nicole Hinde (Branch Leader)	Year 5/6
Room 9	Olivia Cacace	Year 5/6
Room 10	Phillip Kenny	Year 5/6

CONGRATULATIONS - NGĀ MIHI NUI



WATERPOLO

Well done to the Parkvale Tepetepe Water Polo team who played and won their final on Sunday. It was a nail biting game but you all played with amazing Parkvale PRIDE and celebrated by throwing your dedicated coach into the pool!!!!

Well done to Jordie Bird who was awarded the MVP for this term's Water polo. This award acknowledged the sportsmanship and skill you showed throughout the season.

Massive thanks to Sarah Geradi for seeing the Tepetepe team through many finals, wins, and losses throughout all 4

terms this year. Your passion and dedication to the team and sport is truly appreciated by Parkvale School.



CRICKET

Well done to the Parkvale Williamsons Cricket team on an amazing season of skill growth, determination, sportsmanship and PRIDE. You all played a great season!



Thanks so much to the Coach Jay who gave up his Saturdays with his own family to come and support our Parkvale Whānau. Your passion, encouragement and kindness was outstanding and we are truly grateful to have you as a coach for these tamariki.

Thank you also to [Alison Francis](#) for being the team manager and keeping the team well informed throughout the season.

And lastly thank you to the whānau of these kids who showed up every training and game, with out your support and encouragement these tamariki would not be able to experience this sport and grow their skills, confidence and knowledge. Thank you.



ITI NEWS - PĀNUI O TE NGĀ RAKAU ITI

Iti Duathlon

Last week, the Iti Duathlon was held. It was great to see all tamariki take part and have fun, Thank you to all those staff who supported the day and put in great organisation, for this event to run so smoothly. Each child who participated earned points for their house!
Here are the results from the heats.

					
Year 0 Girls 1 st Willow 2 nd Maisie 3 rd Aubrey	Year 0 Boys 1 st Liam 2 nd Haze 3 rd Arlo	Year 1 Girls Heat 1 1 st Willa F 2 nd Lau 3 rd Drew	Year 1 Girls Heat 2 1 st Paige 2 nd Jannat 3 rd Thea	Year 1 Boys Heat 1 1 st Ardin 2 nd Flynn 3 rd Jay	Year 1 Boys Heat 2 1 st Mac 2 nd Noah 3 rd Lockie
					
Year 2 Girls Heat 1 1 st Amber 2 nd Beau 3 rd Haylee	Year 2 Girls Heat 2 1 st Eliza 2 nd Harper 3 rd Jayde	Year 2 Girls Heat 3 1 st Misty 2 nd Miryam 3 rd Neeva	Year 2 Boys Heat 1 1 st Elai 2 nd Patrick 3 rd Acicia	Year 2 Boys Heat 2 1 st Jax 2 nd Olley 3 rd Himansh	
					
Year 3 Girls Heat 1 1 st Violet 2 nd Lesly 3 rd Eve	Year 3 Girls Heat 2 1 st Baylee 2 nd Avery 3 rd Ava	Year 3 Girls Heat 3 1 st Talia 2 nd Inke 3 rd Aria	Year 3 Boys Heat 1 1 st Hawke 1 st Bliss 3 rd Xavier	Year 3 Boys Heat 2 1 st Ezra 1 st Thomas 3 rd Knox	Year 3 Boys Heat 3 1 st Koda 2 nd Asher 3 rd Astinus

House Results

5th placeKEA with 60 points
4th placeTUI with 104 points
3rd placePUKEKO with 106 points
2nd placeTAKAHE with 114 points
1st place HOIHO with 118 points

ITI NEWS - PĀNUI O TE NGĀ RAKAU ITI

Kōwhai Moore Road Camp

In the last week of November, Rooms 10,13,14 & 15 had a fabulous time at Moore Road Camp. Tamariki stayed overnight, took part in group challenges, built new friendships and had the biggest fun going down the slippery slide. These camps can only go ahead with the generous support of our parents. A huge thank you to all our camp parent volunteers, we appreciate you taking time out of your busy lives to support our tamariki to enjoy the adventures of camp.

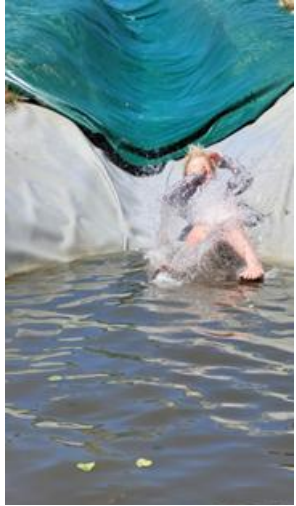


ITI NEWS - PĀNUI O TE NGĀ RAKAU ITI

Kawakawa Ranui Farm Park Trip

Last Friday Kawakawa (Rooms 11, 12, 18 and 19) had a fun filled day at Ranui Farm Park in Central Hawke's Bay. Their day was jam packed with fun activities which began with gaga ball, golf, hill sack sliding, axe throwing, archery, flying fox and then the water slide and confidence course were feature events after lunch.

Kawakawa were very grateful to be supported by so many wonderful adults who helped the day go so smoothly. Thank you to you all!



ITI NEWS - PĀNUI O TE NGĀ RAKAU ITI

Wow!



What a fantastic trip the Pohutukawa Branch had to Splash Planet on Tuesday. The kids had an amazing time with lots of kids, it being their first time ever visiting Splash Planet. They took every opportunity offered to them, swimming, playground, tiny town, mini putt, chess, swimming and even meeting the Splash Planet Dinosaur himself!

A massive thank you to all our whanau help, without you these days can not happen and we are hugely grateful for your time and support.



NUI NEWS - NGĀ PĀNUI O TE NGĀ RĀKAU NUI

Annual Year 6 Bike Camp – A Huge Success!

Our Year 6 tamariki have just returned from their much-anticipated annual Bike Camp, and what an incredible adventure it was! Over several challenging days, the children showed determination, teamwork, and impressive resilience - especially as they pushed through some very hot temperatures. Their positive attitudes and willingness to support one another made us all extremely proud.

A huge thank you goes out to all the adult helpers who joined us on camp. Your time, energy, and encouragement made this experience both safe and unforgettable for our riders. We truly appreciate everything you do.

We would also like to make a special mention to Nukz and Mr G, who generously volunteered their time even though they had no children attending camp. Your support meant the world to us and contributed hugely to the smooth running of the trip. Bike Camp remains a highlight of the senior school calendar, and this year was no exception. Ka rawe, Year 6 - your grit, enthusiasm and PRIDE shone bright!

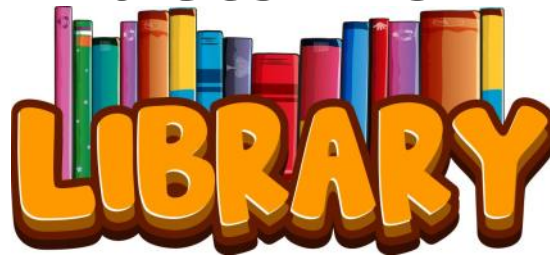


SPOTLIGHT ON ART

Another piece of amazing art Mr O'Neill has had the pleasure of seeing this fortnight! Every piece reflects the creativity, effort, and unique voice of our students. We truly are fortunate to have such a talented group of young artists here at Parkvale School.



Fun Facts from the



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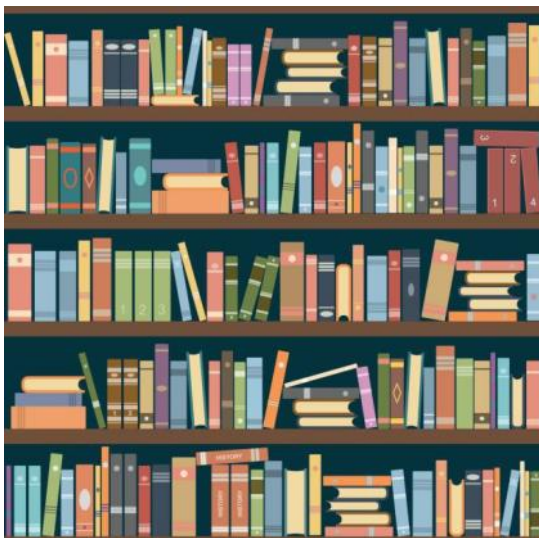
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Books & Magazines
12,912

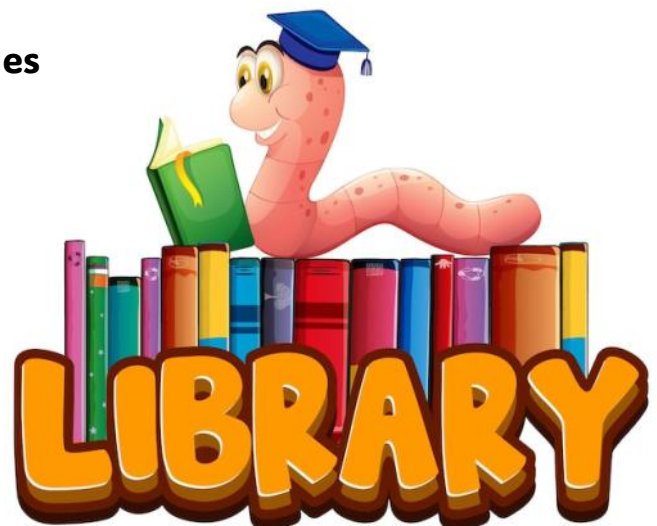
Teachers' Class Libraries & Students
19,309

Total Student Issues
12,999

Top Year Group Issues
Year 4 - 3,810



Top Class Issues
Room 1
1,136



K.A.S. Care Christmas Holiday Programme

Havelock North

Havelock North Intermediate, Nimon Street, Havelock North

Thursday 18th - Tuesday 23rd December

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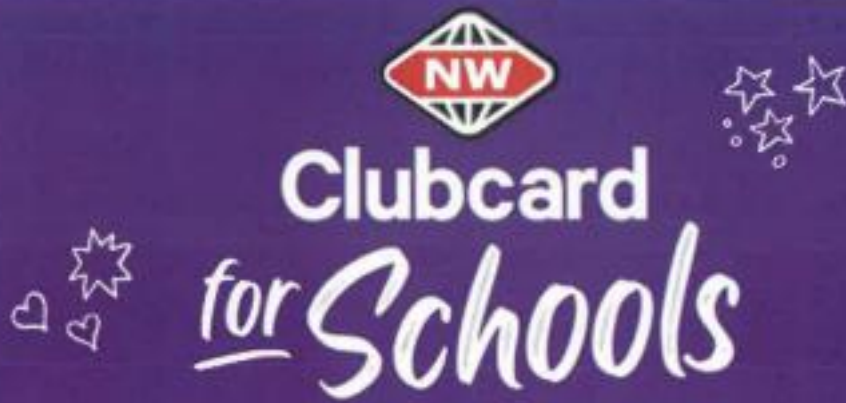
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The more families signed up for the programme who scan their Clubcard at the checkout every shop, the more funds you can help raise.

How does it work?

1. Register your Clubcard with Parkvale School
2. Shop at New World Hastings and scan your Clubcard with every shop
3. New World Hastings will then donate 1% of all sales made with participating Clubcards scanned to Parkvale School to support current projects around the school.

To register your Clubcard with us, keep a look out for the APP alert and follow instructions OR click on the link to register.

<https://forms.gle/RFvtk6qqDUBus3m78>

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