

NEWSLETTER

PARKVALE SCHOOL

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

13th February 2024



Welcome

PRIDE AWARD RECIPIENTS

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



DATES

TO REMEMBER

- Wednesday 14th Feb
Weetbix Triathlon
- Thursday 15th Feb
Junior Great Gatsby
- Friday 16th Feb
Orienteering Sessions
- Monday 19th Feb
PTA Meeting @ 7pm
- Wednesday 21st Feb
Board of Trustees
Meeting @ 7pm
- Thursday 22nd Feb
Camp Meeting
- Friday 23rd Feb
Interschool Swimming
School Assembly

Tyson Curtis, Rita Dyke, Cady Clafferty, Blake Fly, Nova Hara, Dario Vann, Dash Waihape, Giuliana Giusso, Keelan Tuaputa, Hawke Harmer, Rehaan Rai, Emily Mason, Misty Parkinson-Manning, Kiara Witten, Yenuthi Hemathunga, Cooper Hinde, Indigo Lavery, Owen Dyke, Samantha Lauder, Emjay Parkinson-Manning & Benji Harper

PRINCIPAL'S EDUCATIONAL COMMENT

Tēnā koutou katoa me ngā mihi i runga i ngā tūāhuatanga o te wā, kua hipa te tau

Greetings to you all as we start a new school year.

Welcome, welcome, welcome to all those families and students returning to Parkvale School for the 2024 schooling year and a very special welcome to all those joining our Parkvale whānau for the first time.



PRINCIPAL - Mark Gifkins

Howard Street, Hastings 4122

Phone 878 6616

Email admin@parkvale.school.nz

MEET THE 2024 NEW PARKVALE STAFF

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome new staff to our school, and introduce them to you.



ROOM 2
Sharing Teaching for 2
days a week
Mrs Sophie Nicholson



ROOM 19
Beginning Teacher
Miss Georgia Walmsley



ROOM 10
Sharing Teaching
for 2 days a week
Mrs Michelle Brown



ROOM 14
Beginning Teacher
Miss Aimee Wong

.2 Susan Barker

PART TIME TEACHERS
.2 Jennipha Porter

.2 Kirsty Jamieson



CLASSROOM RELEASE TIME

This year the Government as part of last years teacher wage negotiations approved an increase to teachers 'Classroom Release Time'. Previously teachers have been awarded two days of 'CRT' per term. This has been increased in 2024 to three days 'CRT' in terms one and two and four days in terms three and four.

To assist with organisation and consistency Parkvale School has decided to award teachers four days a term throughout 2024. To ensure consistency in classes we have employed extra part time staff who will be providing release for the Teachers. This will ensure the students will have the same release teacher in their class, which will maintain consistency of the programme and a familiar face for the students. Welcome to the following 'Classroom Release' Staff.

Andie Ahern



Anne Jamieson



2024 INFORMATION



BELL TIMES

School begins at 8:45am, with children allowed into rooms from 8:15am. Our day finishes at 2:45pm. We have two half hour play breaks during the day and three opportunities for kai (food). The play breaks are from 10:00-10:30 am and 1:15-1:45pm.

SCHOOL BREAKFAST & LUNCHES

Unfortunately Parkvale School has yet to be included in the free lunches in schools programme run by the Government, which so many other Hawke's Bay schools have been fortunate to be part of. We are fully aware that a number of students for various reasons require extra nutritional support during the school day and for this reason we operate a breakfast and lunch club where students can go to during breaks to top up their nutritional needs. Currently we have been able to source suppliers who have donated - Weetbix, Cornies, Ricies, Milk and Bread as well as spreads. All students are most welcome to enjoy this nutritional extra opportunity.

ABSENCES

If your child is away please let the school know by 8:45am. You can do this by ringing the school on 878 6616, text 027 334 0937 or filling in the form on our school website - <https://www.parkvale.school.nz/>

HATS

School hats are compulsory in Terms 1 & 4. These can be purchased through the school office for \$12.50



SWIMMING

We swim for the first half of Term 1 (or as long as the weather allows) and the second half of Term 4. Please make sure your child brings their togs every day as the weather can change. Please make sure togs, towels, goggles are named and your child has a bag to put their clothes into while not swimming.

COMMUNICATION

There are many ways to stay informed of school happenings and information. Our School Facebook page is a key resource along with the Seesaw app, which you will receive information about joining in the first week of school. School newsletters are sent out digitally via Facebook and Seesaw.

SCHOOL STRUCTURE

Our school is made up of Nga Rakau Iti (the little trees), which is our junior school consisting of years 0-3 and Nga Rakau Nui (the big trees), which is our senior school consisting of years 4-6. These are often referred to as The Iti (Junior School) and The Nui (Senior School).

Within the Iti and Nui, classes are broken into Branches. Three in the Junior School : Pōhutukawa Branch Yrs0-1, Kawakawa Branch Yrs 2 and Kōwhai Branch Yrs 3. The Senior School has two branches Nīkau Branch Yrs 4 & 5 and Mānuka Branch Yrs 5 & 6.

We run a House System at school for events and house points. Houses work across the school so Iti and Nui children can work together. Once your child has started and are in our computer system a house will be assigned to them, siblings are placed in the same house together. Your child's house name and colour will be given to you within the first few weeks of school. The school office sells House T-Shirts for \$15, these are not compulsory.

CLOTHING

Please make sure all items of clothing are named as this allows lost uniform to be returned to its owner. It is very difficult to reunite lost clothing when it is un-named.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AROUND HERE

ORIENTEERING

We were very lucky to have Jane Herries from the Hawke's Bay Orienteering Club at school on Friday running beginner orienteering sessions for our Year 3-6 classes. Orienteering is a wonderful sport for all age groups and abilities. The Hawke's Bay Orienteering Club are running after school sessions for children beginning on Thursday 22nd February. More information to come! Jane will be back at school this Friday to continue her sessions with our tamariki. A big thanks to Jane and HB Orienteering!



FUN SWIMMING SPORTS

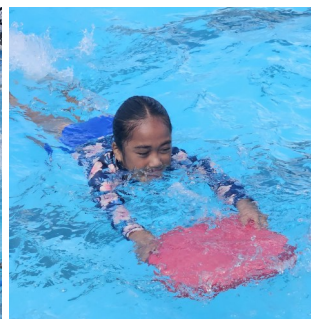
During the first week of school, the Nui held their annual year 4 - 6 fun swimming sports. We had an excellent event with many different relays and then the grand finale was our 'Penny Dive'. Congratulations to the following houses for their results:

1ST

3RD
KEA






4TH
TAKAHE

5TH
PUKEKO



NUI COMPETITIVE SWIMMING SPORTS

On Thursday 8th February the competitive swimming sports was held. It was wonderful to see the year 5 & 6 entries increase after the Sports Park Aquatic Center swimming lessons in 2023. There were many hotly contested races in freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke. Congratulations to Kea House for winning this year's event with Hoiho, Tui, Pukeko and Takahe all following closely.

	Freestyle	Backstroke	Breaststroke
Yr 4 Girls	 <p>Antonia Orr Osorio Lorelei Mains Alice Wrigley</p>	 <p>Antonia Orr Osorio Lorelei Mains Alice Wrigley</p>	 <p>Antonia Orr Osorio Lorelei Mains Alice Wrigley</p>
Yr 4 Boys			
Yr 5 Girls	 <p>Anqi Tang (Angela) Macey McCourt Ella Jamieson Jessica Hankins</p>	 <p>Indie Firth Jessica Hankins Macey McCourt Ella Jamieson</p>	 <p>Macey McCourt Indie Firth Zoe Baker Ella Jamieson</p>
Yr 5 Boys	 <p>Logan Vlok Zac Bird Reuben Sanders Jason Marham</p>	 <p>Logan Vlok Zac Bird Reuben Sanders Marley Lowe</p>	 <p>Logan Vlok Zac Bird Jason Marham Brayden Taiapa</p>
Yr 6 Girls	 <p>Indigo Lavery Amelia Quartel Mya Kyle Mylee Blake</p>	 <p>Amelia Quartel Mylee Blake Indigo Lavery Charlee Elliot</p>	 <p>Indigo Lavery Mylee Blake Mya Kyle Amelia Quartel</p>
Yr 6 Boys	 <p>Ethan D'Ath Sebastian Norman Rico Antonio Alex Craft</p>	 <p>Ethan D'Ath Sebastian Norman Rico Antonio Oakley Peters</p>	 <p>Ethan D'Ath Israel Connell Alex Craft Oakley Peters</p>

SCHOOL REMINDERS

START OF YEAR SCHOOLING REQUIREMENTS

All Stationery & Uniform Sales are now being run from the school office.
Payment available is Cash, Eftpos or on Account

STUDENT ACCOUNTS - DIRECT CREDIT / AUTOMATIC PAYMENT

If you are wanting to set up a school account for your child / family we recommend it as it takes all the hassle and pressure out of schooling costs. Stationery, Uniform, School Trips, Camps, Sports can all be put onto your account if you're paying into it regularly. We send out statements termly so you can see where you're at.

For further information, please feel free to talk to Andrea or Maree in the office.

Our school account details are below

Parkvale School - ASB Hastings

12-3145-0205772-01

Student Name in Particulars – so we can identify payment



COMMUNICATING WITH OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Seesaw



Seesaw is our main communication tool for messaging and sharing your children's learning.

It is really important that you turn your notifications on in your app.

Here are your options in the Seesaw Family account:

1. Tap your profile icon in the upper left corner.
2. Tap 'Account Settings.'
3. Turn email and/or push notifications ON/ONCE A DAY/OFF.

We recommend you have these turned on to receive once a day to ensure you are kept up to date with the latest notices, and learning for your child.



SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS



Lunch order days are **TUESDAY'S & THURSDAY'S** starting 15th Feb

Lunch order forms & plastic bags are in the office.

Correct change is required to accompany the lunch order

NO EFTPOS, CASH ONLY

& these are to be placed in a bag and into the lunch order box in the office.

Moosies, Juicies & Cookie Time Cookies will be on sale daily

Moosies, Juicies & Cookies sell for \$1.50



CONNECT WITH US!



Seesaw

Seesaw is used across the school. This is a journal of your child's learning as well as a two way messaging tool for parents and teachers. Details of joining your child's journal are available from your class teacher.

Download the Seesaw App on Google Play or the Apple App Store. Remember to turn on notifications and keep your app updated.



Newsletters

School newsletters are published fortnightly and contain lots of information and give you an insight into what's been happening in school over the previous fortnight and upcoming events.



Parkvale School App - Skool Loop

Skool Loop is available for Apple and Android phones. The app displays updates of our calendar and notifications of events.

Parent interviews are also booked through here and you are able to send your child's absences through also. Get the app in the Play Store or Apple App Store



School Facebook Page

"Like" us on Facebook and keep up to date with happenings and events.

Google Sites

Google Sites

Some senior classes have a site that children use to access their learning links, set tasks etc.

Your class teacher will be able to help you with specific addresses for these.



School Website

The school website holds information on term dates, uniforms, newsletters and other general information you may be looking for.

www.parkvale.school.nz



ABSENCES

If you have an absence text 027 334 0937, send an absence through the Skool Loop App, fill in a form through the school website or ph 878 6616 and leave a message.

It is important to notify the school office of absences, not only your class teacher for safety reasons.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Weetbix Tryathlon

Entries are now open for the Weetbix Kids TRYathlon 2024

You only have a few days left to take advantage of the online discount

This year the event is being held at the MITRE 10 SPORTS PARK on Wednesday 14th February 2024.

Click on this link to register <https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=48059&G=161703>

Please make sure that you link your registration to the Parkvale School group.

Please note that parents are responsible for transporting their tamariki to and from this event and collecting their child's tryathlon pack (or selecting to have it delivered to your home).

Further information is available online including event pricing and race distances.



Wednesday 6th March, 2024

9:45 - 12:00 (approx) - Year 3 to Year 6 - Mitre 10 Sports Park - Percival Road - Hastings

The Mitre 10 MEGA Tough Kid® is a fun and challenging obstacle course designed for primary (Yr 3-6). The aim of the day is participation and fun in a "challenge by choice" philosophy that promotes confidence-building and personal achievement. The course includes lots of running with obstacles the kids need to navigate such as cargo nets, cable reels, climbing wall, bank climb & slide as well as lots of other challenging and fun tasks.

The cost is \$3 per student and \$5 for transportation = \$8 total. Notices have been delivered to classrooms - **please send back to the office by Friday 16th February with payment** so that we may organise buses, we also need parents to help us on the day.

SPORTS UPDATES

WATER POLO



Year 5 & 6 Water Polo starts on Sunday 18th February, more information to follow closer to this date.

TEEBALL

Year 4 - 6 Teeball starts on Wednesday 21st February, a draw will be sent home with these children weekly.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Orienteering Term 1, 2024



Primary School Orienteering Hastings / Havelock North Areas

Thursday 22 February - Te Mata Primary School
Thursday 29 February - Most likely Havelock North Primary School
Thursday 7 March - Mahora Primary School, Hastings
Thursday 14 March - Parkvale Primary School, Hastings
Thursday 21 March - Lucknow Primary School, H/Nth
Thursday 28 March - No event, Easter weekend begins
Thursday 4 April - Haumoana School, Haumoana

Entry fee:
\$3 per run

No pre-registration
required, just turn
up any day.

See www.hborienteeing.com or <https://www.facebook.com/hborienteeing> in February for more details.

The start-line will be open between 4.15 – 5.45 pm, come anytime. Pre-registration is not required.

The courses will close at 6.00 pm. Courses are designed to be 20 minute runs (average).

Coaching is available at the event centre each day.

Any number of children may represent their school on any day at O for Kids.

The location of the Event Centres will be found on the host website www.hborienteeing.com.

All events may continue in wet weather. Cancellations will be notified on host website and facebook page by 2pm.

Toilets may not be available at events.

Also for all students,

HB Schools Relay O-Championship 2024*
Sunday 7th April in Dobel Reserve, Taradale.

*Pre-registration is required for participation in the Championship,
and entries must be coordinated by your School Sports Coordinator.

O for Kids Co-ordinator: Jane Herries

Contact Email: kiwio@hborienteeing.com

** The HB Orienteering Club has the discretion to alter event venues. Check the website weekly for changes.



Food Rescue

Hastings

513 Queen Street West
Wednesday & Friday 4:30pm - 5:30pm
Thursday 10am - 11am (Seniors/Kaumātua)

Flaxmere

Flaxmere Community Centre & FlaXrock Gym, 400 Swansea Road
Friday 4:45pm - 6pm

Camberley

703 Kiwi Street
Monday 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Napier

30 Cranby Crescent
Tuesday and Thursday 4pm - 5pm

All Welcome
BRING A BAG OR TWO



Redirecting surplus food to our community

www.nourishedfornil.org



PERFORMANCE DRAMA CLASSES ARE BEING
OFFERED AT PARKVALE SCHOOL
AGAIN IN TERM 1!

FOR YEAR 4,5 & 6 STUDENTS
STARTING ON TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2023
1:15-2:00pm IN THE SCHOOL HALL

WEEKLY 45 MINUTE CLASS
LEARN PERFORMANCE DRAMA TECHNIQUES,
GAIN CONFIDENCE IN SPEAKING IN PUBLIC &
HAVE FUN

COST \$100 PER TERM

TAUGHT BY AN EXPERIENCED LOCAL TEACHER
LIMITED SPACES

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND DETAILS PLEASE
CONTACT

SAMANTHA GRANT-SMITH

EMAIL wepa17@outlook.com or

PHONE 021 824336



Free Counselling

for those impacted by Cyclone Gabrielle

Natural disasters are stressful and often traumatic, leaving people with all kinds of familiar and unfamiliar feelings.

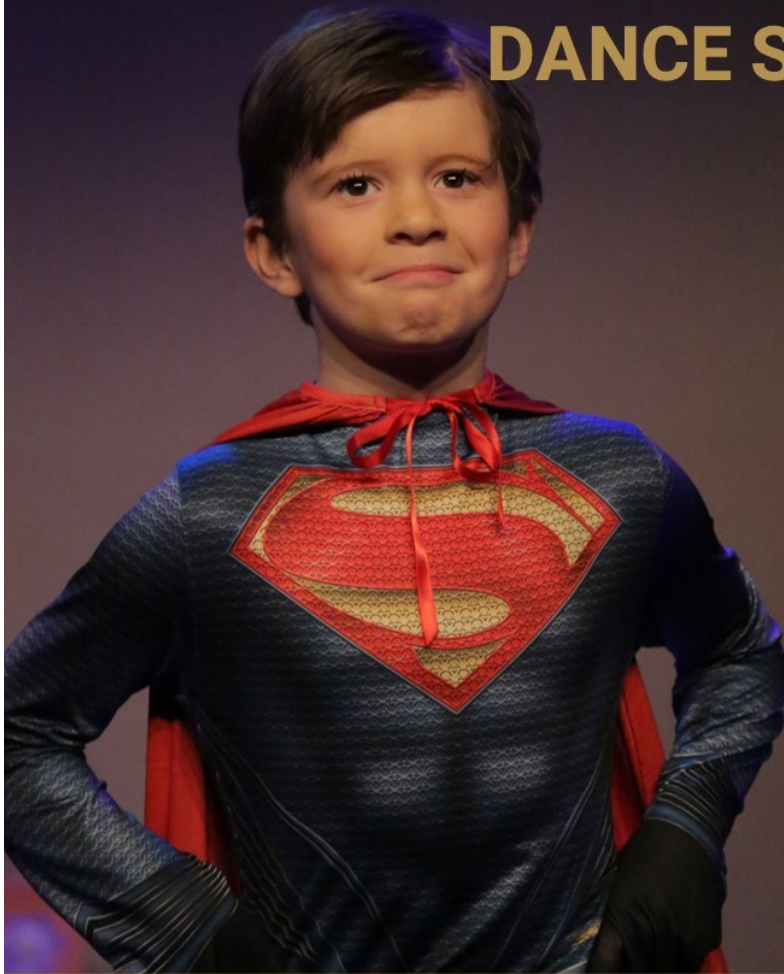
For those experiencing increased anxiety since the cyclone, feelings of helplessness, frustration, anger, or overwhelm - our counselling team is available to support you at no cost.



napierfamilycentre.org.nz/counselling-enquiry/
06 843 7280

BORN TO MOVE

DANCE STUDIO



2024 Classes - Junior

Tip-Toes

Two classes: 3 years & 4 years

Jazz

5 years and up (age groups)

Tap

6 years and up (age groups)

Acrobatics

7 years and up

Musical Theatre

8 years and up

Contemporary

9 years and up

Learn more: borntomovestudio.com

Email: borntomove@xtra.co.nz