

NEWSLETTER

PARKVALE SCHOOL

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

30th May 2025



DATES

TO REMEMBER

**NO SCHOOL
MONDAY 2nd JUNE
KING'S BIRTHDAY**

- **Tuesday 3rd June**
Y5/6 Miniball
- **Wednesday 4th June**
Y4 Netball
BOT Meeting @ 6pm
- **Thursday 5th June**
Y5/6 Netball
Y3/4 Miniball
- **Friday 6th June**
Assembly @ 9am
Tournament
- **Tuesday 10th June**
Y5/6 Miniball
- **Wednesday 11th June**
Y4 Netball
- **Thursday 12th June**
Y5/6 Netball
Y3/4 Miniball

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Welcome

PRIDE AWARD RECIPIENTS

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



Thenuja Liyanage, Jack McLeod, Rabia Sunder, Arafat Miah
Leo Pickering - Van Wieren, William Trott, Aleah Williams, Prabhjot Kaur,
Micah Floray, Skylah Hara, Rehaan Rai, Matilda Henderson, Liliana Cate,
Ava Eastwood, Finley Crawford, Ezra Lawler, Annant Mander,
Sienna Blades, Ben Stone, Ryder Karaitiana-Brown & Ardyn Grant



Dayleigh-Eve Little, Felix Bosson, Troy Simeon-Merrin, Macey McCourt,
Antonia Orr Osorio, Kiara Witten, Riley Hintz-Fulton,
Yenuthi Hemathunga, Sirjan Singh, Zyrach Long, Maryam Ikhwan Yassin,
Liam Garciano, Xavier Holmes, Cora Harper, Kuini Wepa-Hazel,
Ariah Bingley, Koby Porter, Phoebe Lowe, Patrick McDougall,
Avery Akurangi & Blakely McGarvey



PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT - TE WHAIKŌRERO O TE TUMUAKI

National Young Leaders Day – A Great Experience

This week, our Parkvale Young Leaders had the privilege of attending the National Young Leaders Day (NYLD) in Palmerston North. It was an inspiring event built around the theme *Stronger Together – Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi engari he toa takitini* (My strength is not due to me alone but due to the strength of many).

The day was packed with engaging speakers, performances, and opportunities for our students to reflect on what it means to lead with integrity, courage, and purpose. The energy in the Regent Theatre was electric and our students represented Parkvale with pride throughout.

A huge thank you to Heather and Nic for giving up their time to support our students and make this opportunity possible. The early start and long day were well worth it. Our young leaders have come away motivated and ready to lead in their own unique ways.



Leadership at Parkvale

What does leadership look like in a school setting? According to ERO and the Ministry of Education, strong educational leadership is vital for creating the conditions where staff, students, and whānau can thrive. It's about setting direction, building relationships, and growing a culture where everyone is supported to succeed.

At Parkvale, our senior leadership team includes Ro, Ngaio and I (Aaron). We are working alongside Brad Gay to strengthen our capacity as a team. As a newly formed group, we are focused on clear communication, shared direction, and supporting one another to lead effectively.

Our Wider Leadership Team includes all Branch Leaders, Deputy Principals and the Principal. This group is currently working with Aliese White from Cognition Education, exploring how collective leadership can grow professional trust, improve collaboration, and have real impact in classrooms. We believe it's important to keep developing ourselves as leaders. When we grow, Parkvale grows. Strong leadership helps drive progress, supports teacher development, and ultimately benefits every learner in our school.



CONGRATULATIONS - NGĀ MIHI NUI

Waterpolo Superstar

A huge huge congratulations to Ruby Lavery for getting the Y3/4 player of the term last term for Water Polo. Ruby plays very well in the pool, thinks about her positioning, and chases that ball. She shoots from the top, and communicates well with her team!

We are so lucky to have five teams for water polo again this term. It's a hugely growing sport in Hawke's Bay and lots of fun! If you want to check it out, head down to the Sports Park Aquatic Centre on Sundays from 1pm to catch some Parkvale Kids in action!



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AROUND HERE - PĀNUI

HB Rippa Rugby Tournaments

Over 130 tamariki attended two days of Rippa Rugby on the 15th and 16th of May in glorious conditions. We had seven year 3 & 4 teams and five year 5 & 6 teams competing against a variety of schools from throughout HB. There was plenty of Parkvale PRIDE on show with fun evident on both days. We'd like to thank the following coaches and teachers who attended: Candis Timms, Rebecca Bach, William Harmer, Kimberlee Niania, Matt Beck, Josephine Taylor, Trevor Baker, Amesh Taiapa, Sian Withers, Andy Vautier, Olivia Cacace, Tash Millard, Aaron O'Neill, Maliana Lowe, Phil Kenny, Bex Porou & Michelle Brown. We were also blessed to have Hastings Boys High School students support with refereeing at the year 3 & 4 day and we'd like to acknowledge them: Chè Akurangi, Tyson Akurangi, Andre Moulder, Èmilien & Alexis Sanssar. Without your valuable support we wouldn't be able to offer these opportunities to our children.



NUI NEWS - NGĀ PĀNUI O TE NGĀ NUI

CAMP KAITAWA 2025

- it's a wrap! And what can I say to all our adult Supporters!

Whatever the size; a huge, a big, a ginormous - **Thank You** to all our parents who endured a week at Camp Kaitawa.

Can I extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you for your incredible commitment and support to make our camps such a success. Your willingness to give your time, energy, and care was greatly appreciated by staff and students.

Your continuous R & R - running and retrieving, your happy to help attitude, and your anything is possible spirit brought so much positivity and fun to our EOTC experience. Whether it was the earlyish morning, the late night in dark activities, the muddy boots, cleaning toilets and showers or last-minute changes - you always made every task a success and achieved it with a smile and a sense of calm.

It was your selflessness, your belief that no task was too big or too small, and your dedication to putting the kids first that made our camps not just possible, but memorable. Thank you for being such an important part of our school community. We couldn't do it without you!

To our incredible Mānuka staff, can I reach out and thank you from the bottom of my heart too. Not just for the time you gave to the organisation, the running of your camp and spirit too but for your kindness and generosity to ensure our kids' learning extends past the four walls of a classroom. Each and every child who attended camp learned a new skill and more importantly learned something about themselves too. Not all children in all schools are lucky enough to have dedicated teachers willing to give children these experiences. We are indebted to your passion and enthusiasm to give our tamariki the best possible opportunities to build their all round confidence and sense of self-worth.



Mānuka 9 Camp Kaitawa

On the 5th May Room 9 embarked on a one week adventure at Camp Kaitawa, enjoying a week packed with fun, opportunities and many challenges. Our group consisted of 23 Year 5/6 students, Ro Hill and Phillip Kenny, supported by wonderful adults.

Luckily, the weather held for the week and we were able to pack in a lot including tackling the Old Māori Trail, the Rata tree track, visiting waterfalls and kayaking on Lake Wherowhero along with rock hopping and dashing up the pipeline. We also cooked up a feast in Masterchef, took on the confidence course, competed in an amazing race, and boggled at a glow stick disco. A big thank you to the following adults for making all this possible: Lisa Byrt, Misty Blades, Shannon Kelly, Zafir Khan, Brodie Harris and Allan Evans.

Here's some photo highlights:



AMAZING!

ITI NEWS - PĀNUI O TE NGĀ RAKAU ITI

Every Friday, our kawakawa tamariki take part in Kawakawa play based learning - an exciting initiative run by our branch that encourages creativity, collaboration and real-world skills through engaging activities. This week, the learning was extra special as our tamariki proudly wore pink in support of *Pink Shirt Day*, standing up to bullying and showing their commitment to *manaakitanga* and *kotahitanga*—kindness and unity.

Ka mau te wehi, tamariki mā!



PLEASE RETURN

**ALL UNUSED SPORTS UNIFORMS
TO MRS BESWICK IN THE OFFICE**

School Day Reminders

Our School and Office opens each weekday at **8:15am**.

8:15am/first bell is when students are welcome onto the grounds.

Our School day finishes at **2:45pm**.

KAS Care is available onsite to cater to students requiring supervision after **2:45pm**.

Due to ongoing health and safety concerns we ask that children are picked up following our last bell or that they have pre-organised, supervised care.

Staff often coach sports teams and attend meetings after **2:45pm** each day and are not able to stay with children.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Story Explorers – Creative Writing Workshop

I'm excited to offer Story Explorers, a fun and energetic creative writing workshop for students in Years 6–8 (roughly ages 10–12, with some flexibility).

This lively session is all about sparking imagination and building confidence in writing. Students will experiment with story starters and playful prompts, invent their own characters and settings, and write about the people, places, and ideas they care about.

With a mix of guided activities and creative freedom, Story Explorers encourages young writers to stretch their imaginations, try new things, and enjoy the writing process—no pressure, just plenty of fun!

Perfect for keen writers or anyone curious to give storytelling a go.

Limited to 20 participants

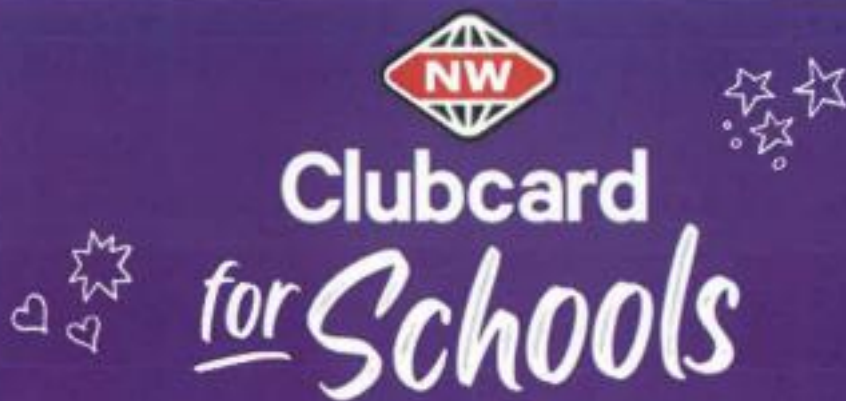
Time: July 4th, 10:00am- 12:30pm

Place: The Seminar Room, Havelock North Function Centre

Cost: \$35.00

Contact me by email: jo@thewritecoach.nz or phone: 0273618376 to secure a spot





Help raise funds for Parkvale School!

New World Hastings has partnered with Parkvale and now you can help to raise funds each time you do your grocery shopping.

This is a great way to raise extra money for the school through the support of families/friends/relatives who shop at New World Hastings. Every time you shop at New World Hastings and present your Clubcard, Parkvale School will receive 1% of the total spend!

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>

Once you've registered your card, Parkvale School will reap the rewards every time you shop at New World Hastings!

**The family who registers the most
New World Club Cards will receive a \$100
New World Voucher!**





It's PIE TIME again! Our frozen pies and savouries fundraiser has launched and we need you to sign up and help us fundraise. All funds go towards the PTA and help to support our tamariki throughout the year.

It is super easy to take part as it is all done online – no cash and no paper order forms! All your sales will be tracked online and at the end you will receive a report showing who get's what.

Please head to our Fundraising Hub page here to sign up and share your fundraising page: <https://parkvaleschoolpies.raiseit.co.nz/>

Any questions, please let us know!

Thanks – Parkvale PTA

The poster features a close-up photograph of several golden-brown, flaky frozen pies and savouries on a wooden surface. One pie is partially wrapped in a blue and white checkered cloth. In the top left corner, the text 'Luv-a-Pie' is written in a stylized orange font. In the top right corner, there is a circular logo with a blue hand icon and the text 'go raise it'. The main title 'FROZEN GOURMET PIES & SAVOURIES' is prominently displayed in the center-left in large, bold, black and red letters. Below this, the word 'FUNDRAISER' is written in a smaller, bold, orange font. At the bottom, a dark red banner contains the text 'SIGN UP AND GET SELLING!' in white, bold, capital letters.

Luv-a-Pie

FROZEN GOURMET PIES & SAVOURIES

FUNDRAISER

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