ARARIMU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



1 May 2025

Term 2 Week 1

Welcome back to term two. I am still buzzing after the Colour Run, which was such a fantastic event! It was exciting, new to our school, and incredibly well supported. I could not think of a better way to end the term. Thank you to everyone involved in making this happen.

We begin term two with student-led conferences next week (see the flyer below) and then have the Tread Lightly environmental caravan visit us in week three. All classes participate in a range of hands-on activities, all designed to help the environment. We also have Road Safety Week and Pink Shirt Day in week three. Our school leaders are currently planning activities for this week. This term is short - only nine weeks, and I am sure they will just fly by.

We are currently in the process of revamping our school website to make it more informative and modern. The draft is looking great and I can't wait to share this with you. It will be integrated into our School Loop app, allowing you to receive up-to-date messages through this platform as well. A reminder that Skool Loop remains, for now, our main communication tool for weekly notices. Please download this app if you have not already. The password is **Riley21**.

We still have parents and families that undertake jobs around the school to help keep our grounds looking so tidy, especially the gardens. A big thank you to those parents and families who do this without being asked. We appreciate your efforts.

When the bell rings at 3.00 pm, the expectation is that parents collect students from classes, versus students running to the playground unsupervised, or students waiting outside the school gate. We would appreciate your support in following this so that we can keep our students safe and identify those who are still to be collected.

Having trouble booking conference times? Please see Mr Henderson, who can assist you.

Let us hope the weather clears for weekend sport and conferences next week.

Craig Henderson PRINCIPAL



KEY DATES

Week 2

Tuesday 6th May

School finishes at 1.00 pm for Student Conferences that start at 1.30 pm. Contact Craig in advance if you cannot collect your child, and supervision will be arranged until 3.00 pm. The bus will operate as normal at 3:00 pm

Wednesday 7th May

Student Conferences start at 3.30 pm. The school operates as normal. The bus operates as normal.

Week 3

Monday 12th - 16th May - Tread Lightly Environmental Caravan visiting all classes across the week.

Pink Shirt Day - come dressed in pink (gold coin donation), Friday 16th May. This is also a Wheels Day as part of Road Safety Week. Bring your wheels and safety gear, including closed in shoes. We do not allow wheels to be shared.

Week 4

Wednesday 21st May - ECCS Netball Fun Day - Years 5-8

Week 5

Book Week Starts Thursday 29th May Grandparents Day – Friday 30th May

Week 6

Monday 2nd June - King's Birthday Holiday and the School is closed
Tuesday 3rd June - MoE approved Teacher Only Day (Mathematics), and the School is closed
Thursday 5th June - Paparimu School visiting for Sports Camp organisation

Week 7

Tuesday 10th June - Trees for Survival Planting

Week 8

Matariki Week Thursday 19th June - School Matariki Celebrations Friday 20th June - Matariki Holiday - School closed

Week 9

Friday 27th June - School Cross Country Friday 27th June - Last day of Term 2

Student-Led Conferences

Held on Tuesday, 6th May and Wednesday, 7th May



These are being held next week on Tuesday 6th May. School finishes early at 1.00 pm and we ask that you collect your child then. Conferences start on Tuesday at 1.30 pm and run through until 7.00 pm. Students should also attend these conferences, where possible, as their learning is discussed. Please book via Skool Loop. If you cannot collect your child early please contact Mr Henderson, who will arrange for them to be looked after until our normal finish time of 3.00 pm. The bus will run as normal on this day.

On Wednesday 7th May conferences start at 3.30pm and run through until 5.30 pm. School will be open as normal on this day. The bus also run as normal on this day.

School Uniform Reminder

Ararimu School has a compulsory uniform. All students are expected to wear the uniform, most of which can be purchased through the school office.

Please name ALL uniform items so they can be returned to your child when they leave them in the school grounds.

Ararimu School Uniform Items:

- Polo shirt (with school logo)
- Jumper or sweatshirt (with school logo)
- Jacket or vest (optional, with school logo)
- Skirt or shorts (skorts) (navy blue or black)
- Trousers or leggings (navy blue or black)
- Dress (navy blue or black)
- School sun hat (compulsory in Terms 1 and 4, preferably embroidered with child's name or with identifying item sewn on)
- Black shoes or sandals
- Navy or black socks



Lunch with the Principal – 8 April 2025

Sienna Broomhall - Layne Lineen - Matilda Turley

Carter Kahi - Craig Henderson (Principal)

Absent: Roman Wright - William Hunt

Grandparent's and special persons day.

Friday 30th May at 9.00 am, parade starts at 9.30

Children dress up as their favourite **book** character.

Please feel free to bring in **your** favourite book to share with your special child. Then join us for a shared morning tea.



A FEW SNIPPETS FROM THE AMAZING COLOUR RUN

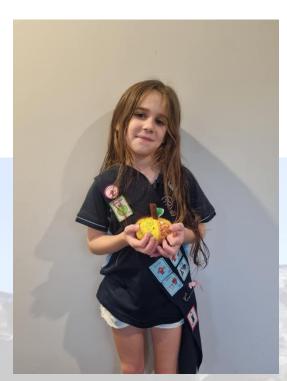












Gold Apple Success Poppy Corbett Shines in Guiding

Poppy Corbett of Ararimu school has earned the prestigious **Gold Apple award** in Guiding as a Pippin.

Poppy is a member of the Pokeno Guide Club as a Pippin, a group for girls aged 5 to 7 years, where she participates alongside several friends from Ararimu School.

Poppy spoke of the things she enjoyed most about Pippins, "earning badges, making new friends, and playing games". The outdoor day camp with Natures Den was a highlight.

The Gold Apple is the highest award for a Pippin to achieve. To earn this award, Poppy completed badges in various skills such as friendship, cooking, music, art, outdoor exploration, science, and design and building. During her time at Pippins, Poppy attended a 'Pippinic' and other events with other local units and participated in a sleepover with the Pokeno unit. She also engaged in craft activities, theatre, the Pokeno ANZAC parade, outdoor adventures (including a walk to the ice cream shop), visits to the fire station, a visit from the local Police and community service.

With the support of her unit leaders, Poppy practiced her leadership skills by taking on responsibilities at the start of meetings, such as taking the role, and helping new Pippins with activities.

The leaders, Poppy's friends at the Pokeno Guide Club, and her family are incredibly proud of her growth and dedication in earning this award.

The unit leaders described Poppy as a positive presence in the Pokeno Guide Club, noting her bravery in taking on new experiences and her role as a great friend to other Pippins in the unit.

Poppy is excited to continue her Guiding journey by transitioning into Brownies at the Pokeno Guide Club. As a Brownie, she will further develop her leadership and outdoor skills while gaining a global perspective of her community and the world.

If you would like to learn more about the Guiding experience and opportunities available to your girl, visit the **Girl Guiding website: girlguidingnz.org.nz.**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

05/05 Mon PTA Meeting 6:30 to 7:30 pm

06/05 Tue School Closes at 1:00 pm

Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:30 - 7:00 pm

07/05 Wed Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 – 5:30 pm

08/05 Thu Maths Problem Challenge Round

11/05 Sun Mothers' Day

12/05 Mon Road Safety Week to Fri 16 May

Tread Lightly programme all week

Board of Trustees Meeting 5:30 - 7:30 pm

15/05 Thu Auckland Council Representatives will be at

the School Gate between 2:00 and 3:30 pm to answer any questions regarding the new

rubbish bins in the community.

SUBWAY 8, 22 May, 5, 19 June,

YR 7 & 8 TECH. Every Wednesday – 11:00 to 1:40pm

Rosehill Intermediate

KAPA HAKA Every Thursday 2:00 – 3:00pm

In the Hall or Room 7

LAUNCHPAD Every Friday 2:25 to 3:00 pm

(Bible) In the Hall

PIANO LESSONS Piano Lessons with Kathy

Every Wednesday (for booked students)

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PARENTS

Please make sure your child(ren) know how they are getting home at 3:00 pm.

We quite often have children waiting around school after 3:15 pm, not knowing how they are getting home.

Staff are not always around to look after children at this time as they often have meetings to attend.

If you would like to change arrangements throughout the day, please phone the School Office with details.

ATTENDANCE

Please contact **the School Office**, preferably by Skool Loop or phone call to the school office before 8:30 am if your child is going to be absent.

If you are taking **holidays during term time**, please contact the Principal with details **before the holiday**.

GRATITUDE AND THANKS

The Board of Trustees would like to thank the following for the support given recently:

Parents who supported students at ECCS Swimming, Football Fun Day, Grip Leadership Conference, Junior Swim Day

PTA for holding BBQ's and organisation of the Colour Fun Run Swimming Pool Helpers

Michelle Crane for all her work whilst on the PTA

Parents Help with collecting our student's subway lunches

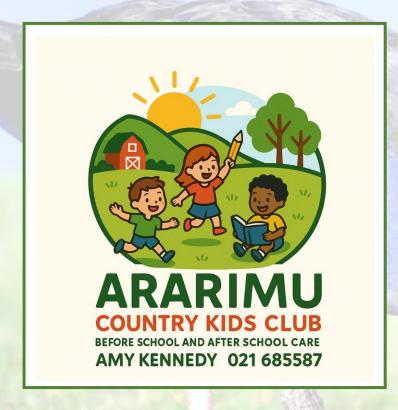
*** We really do appreciate all your help ***



My name is **Faye Brough** and I have been the **School Chaplain** for the past 12 months, since Sue Millen left.

I have been trained by and represent Lifewalk and offer a listening ear for any student who might need it.

Students can be referred by parents or teachers. I am at Ararimu School every Thursday from 12:00 pm to 2:30 pm – you can find me in the Administration Block.







ART CLASSES

CHILDREN - TWEENS - TEENS - ADULTS

Inspire your budding Picasso! Explore different art techniques with exciting and vibrant projects using a variety of mediums.

After school - Holidays - Arty Parties

TERM 2 ADULT ART ADVENTURES

IN 6 X 1.5 HOUR EVENING SESSIONS WE WILL CREATE WITH A VARIETY OF MEDIUMS IN THIS ART GROUP TO INCLUDE ACRYLIC PAINTING, WATERCOLOURS & OTHER MEDIUMS.

WEDNESDAY'S, 6.15PM - 7.45PM. 7TH MAY TO 11TH JUNE 2025

COST: \$235.00 INCLUDES 6 X EVENINGS & ALL MATERIALS

PUKEKOHE / TUTOR: ANNA MOLINEUX / 16YRS-101YRS



https://www.youngatart.co.nz/adult-workshops/

ARARIMU PTA











We need baking to go into the Ararimu Market cafe. Please bring your baking into the school on Friday 9th May. A *brilliant opportunity to raise money for our tamariki.

FRIDAY MAY 9TH

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

I'm very thankful to Amy for filling in for me while I was in hospital and during my recovery. It's lovely being back running After School Care in the Ararimu Hall, as before.

Prices are the same as last term: 3:00 to 4:00 pm - \$14.00

3:00 to 5:00 pm - \$20.00

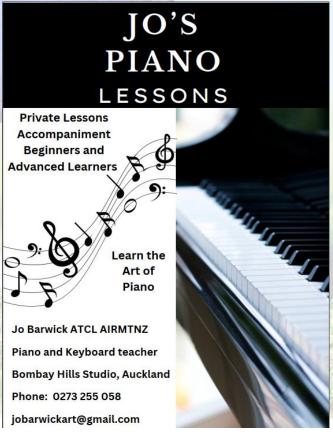
3:00 to 6:00 pm - \$24.00

Available Monday to Friday

Phone Marilyn on: 0274799121

Or Email: marilynbennett35@gmail.com





BOMBAY INDOOR BOWLING CLUB

The Bombay Indoor Bowling Club meets every Wednesday night at the Bombay Rugby Club Hall at 7.30 pm.

We are a small friendly club in desperate need of new members.

The game is easy. No equipment needed.

Come along and have a go. Come on your own or with friends and family.

Everyone welcome.

For more information ring Sharron Ruiterman Ph 027 2776061

Or just turn up.

INDOOR BOWLS

WELCOME TO OUR CLUB!

WHY INDOOR BOWLS?

- Compete at local, national and international level
- Easy to learn—played by men and women of all ages and abilities
- Can be played competitively or socially
- Excellent for meeting new friends
- Affordable sport for the entire family—value for money
- Non-contact, low-impact sport—great for ex-athletes or those who have sustained injuries from high-impact sport
- Life-long sport—players aged between 5 and 80+
- Spend quality time with family and friends
- Equal opportunity at winning—no gender or age barrier
- Helps to develop life skills
- All clubs have coaching available at all levels and abilities

WHO CAN PLAY?

Children, Parents, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, Friends, Workmates—Anybody can play this wonderful game. Men and Women of all ages play Indoor Bowls and we also have visually impaired members and bowlers who play from their wheel chairs. Indoor Bowls is truly a "Game for All".

It can be played as a serious competitive sport or purely as a social activity. No uniform or equipment is needed by the players—hence no financial outlay to start.

The only requirement is that you wear flat soled shoes (this is a precaution to prevent damage to the bowling mat). However, a foam pad to protect your knees is highly recommended if you choose to kneel while bowling. Club coaches are also available (at no cost) to help you get started



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