



# PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH 2026

### TERM 1 – WEEK 5



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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Tomorrow  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March  
Tues 17<sup>th</sup>/Wed 18<sup>th</sup>/Wed 25<sup>th</sup> March  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Year 8 Overnight Camp  
Ice blocks for sale \$1.00 – cash only  
**Go Green for Mitey!** Wear **green** / gold coin donation  
St Patrick's Day  
Kahikatea Syndicate to Pataka  
GRIP Leadership Conference – Senior Council  
Book Fair Garden: Catch the Reading Bug  
Book Week



Kia ora tatou

### Senior Council

A big congratulations to our Year 8 leaders for 2026. We will be attending the GRIP Leadership Conference later in March to learn more about making a positive impact at our school.

This year we have 7 counsellors.

***Marley, Isobel, Maria, Cam, Campbell, Jayden & Aleem***

### Year 8 Overnight Camp

Becky and the Kahikatea team are taking the Year 8 tamariki on leadership camp at Battle Hill tomorrow and Friday. The students will undergo a series of challenges and activities to build resilience and character. Many thanks to all the parents who are going along to support the teachers.

### Going to the Mobil Station Before and After School

Just a reminder due to safety reasons our students cannot use the Mobil Station before or after school unless they are accompanied by a parent, grandparent or college age brother or sister.



### Absentee – Reason they are away

When advising if your children are absent either by email [absent@paremata.school.nz](mailto:absent@paremata.school.nz) or phone message, can you please give a reason ie sick, appointment, bereavement etc as we now have new codes and have to put them against each absence. We appreciate your help with this.

**Late children must report to the office and sign in on the laptop.**

### Enrolments For 2026



If you have a child turning 5 this year and you haven't yet enrolled them; can you please contact Marie Arlow in the office as soon as possible to organise enrolment. (Siblings of children already here are automatically accepted but still need to fill out an enrolment form).

Nga mihi nui - Matua Bryce



## Paremata School Easter Raffle!



Four syndicates. Four hampers. Four chances to win!  
Pōhutukawa • Kōwhai • Kahikatea • Kauri  
The raffle starts Friday 6 March!



### Win a Fabulous Easter Hamper!

Each syndicate has its own hamper packed with Easter treats and goodies.

### We Need Your Help!



Please donate Easter treats, chocolates, or small goodies to help fill our hampers. Donations can be dropped off at the school office.



### Raffle Tickets



- \$3 each
- \$5 for 2 tickets

Purchase from the School Office, then pop your tickets into the Team Boxes in the Office Foyer:  
Pōhutukawa • Kōwhai • Kahikatea • Kauri

### Prize Draw



Winners drawn on the last day of term at the Book Parade  
Hampers will be presented at the Book Parade!



### ICE BLOCKS FOR SALE - \$1.00 – CASH ONLY

ParentLink will be selling ice blocks at lunch time this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.  
No online payments – cash only.

### NETBALL – SIGN UP - REMINDER LAST DAY TODAY

If any year 4-8 students are interested in playing Netball for Paremata School this year, please sign up at the office by Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. The netball season starts in term 2 and usually runs through to the end of August. All games are played at Ngati Toa Domain, times to be confirmed.

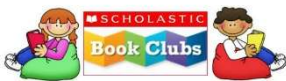


**Year 7 and 8 netball trials are next Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 3:30 – 5:00pm**



We will also need coaches, umpires and managers as without these wonderful people we will not be able to compete in the netball competition. Please think about helping in this area, there will be more information sent out soon.

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – ISSUE NO. 2 – ORDER ONLINE [mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz)



If you wish to purchase from the current book club selection, please order online no later than **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**. If you would like any purchases to be held at the office, please order online under OFFICE.

### GO GREEN FOR MITEY



On **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> of March**, ākonga are invited to wear something green and **bring a gold coin donation** to support **Mitey**, which delivers mental health education to help children understand emotions, build resilience, and thrive in their learning.

Your support helps us and Mitey shape brighter futures for our tamariki, supporting their wellbeing now and into the teenage years. [www.mitey.org.nz](http://www.mitey.org.nz)





**MOVIN' MARCH IS HERE!**

We're proud to be a Movin' March school and this month we're looking forward to seeing whānau and students walking or wheeling to or from school.

Walking, biking, and scooting is a great way to improve well-being – and it's also great for the planet! For those who live too far away to walk or wheel, you can try out Park and Stride – park a block away and walk from there. Buses/trains count too!

**SCHOOL LUNCHES**



If you are paying lunches online, please make sure you pay the night before, so it shows up in our account in the morning. If you prepay in the morning, it may not show up in our bank account until after lunch and we therefore cannot guarantee that your child/ren will receive their lunch. You can pay at the office by eftpos (no paywave) in the morning.



**MEAT PIE MONDAY – mince/steak and cheese**

Meat pies will be available each Monday \$5.00.

**Prepaid must be done by Sunday night**



**WEDNESDAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE – sausage/bread/sauce**

Sausage sizzles are available for lunch for \$2.50 each Wednesday

**Prepaid must be done by Tuesday night**



**FRIDAY HAMBURGER – bun/meat pattie/lettuce/cheese**

Hamburgers are available for lunch for \$5.00 each

**Prepaid must be done by Thursday night**



**ENTERTAINMENT PUBLICATION LINK - <http://www.entbook.co.nz/104U135>**

**ONE MEMBERSHIP. MORE IMPACT.**

12 months **Access All Areas** Entertainment Membership **ONLY \$75**  
Over 20,000 valuable offers across New Zealand, Australia and Bali!

**MARCH BONUS:**

\$30 donated to your charity  
+  
Cruise competition entry

Raise more. Save more. Experience more.

**JOIN TO ENTER**

\*T&Cs apply.

**PORIRUA CITY COUNCIL** has created a handy brochure to **increase driver understanding of the signs and road markings around schools** and the accompanying penalties for infringement.



**Picking up or dropping off kids at school?**  
**Always park safely**

Everyone's "only here for a minute" but where and how you park matters – our tamariki can't be seen by drivers if we park illegally.

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**Common parking restrictions**  
Parking restrictions are in place to help keep everyone safe and keep traffic flowing.



The safest drop-off/pick-up place outside most schools. Stop here for no longer than two minutes.



You must not stop, pull over, or park at anytime at a marked bus stop.



This sign shows the times when parking is restricted.



Mobility parks are only for those with a mobility parking permit on display.



Parking or pulling over onto broken yellow lines is restricted, even if you remain in the car.



You must leave at least a one metre gap between your car and any driveway.

To learn more, head to: [poriruacity.govt.nz/road-safety](http://poriruacity.govt.nz/road-safety)

**poriruacity**

**Safer school runs**  
If you're stopping and parking near a school, choose safe parking every time.

Drivers and children need good visibility around schools so they can see each other. Parking restrictions are in place near schools for a reason – to protect our tamariki from danger.

**If you choose to stop or park illegally you could get fined.**

| Stopped/parked:   |       |
|---|-------|
| • on broken yellow lines  | \$100 |
| • within 6 metres of a pedestrian crossing  | \$100 |
| • within 6 metres of an intersection  | \$100 |
| • on the footpath   | \$70  |
| • over or within 1 metre of a vehicle entrance                                    | \$70  |
| • within 50cm of a fire hydrant with no one in a car legally capable of moving it | \$70  |
| • closer than 6 metres to a bus stop or on a marked bus stop                      | \$70  |
| • on roadside grass plot, shrubs or flower beds                                   | \$70  |
| • double parked   | \$70  |
| • in an area reserved for disabled persons  | \$750 |

**poriruacity.govt.nz** **poriruacity**

**PORIRUA GRAND TRAVERSE – APRIL 12**

We'd love to see you the Porirua Grand Traverse on April 12.

Kids, staff & families can pick their passion...

the [Arena Fitness 10k Fun Run/Walk](#), or the [FS Cycles 12k Fun Mtn Bike](#).

Teams of 5-9 get a \$5pp discount. Teams of 10+ get a \$10pp discount.

**Go on, support your school, support your health and support Porirua!**

[Email Us Here for Discount Info](#) ... [Or Enter Here Now](#)



# JUNIOR REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN!

**REGISTRATION DAYS**  
 26 February 5-7pm  
 08 March 9-11am  
 17 March 5-7pm

**GRADES AVAILABLE**  
 Nursery  
 Rip Rugby (Year 1-8)  
 Tackle (Year 3-8)

REGISTER ONLINE OR SCAN THE QR CODE

[WWW.PAREMATAPLIMMERTONRUGBY.CLUB](http://WWW.PAREMATAPLIMMERTONRUGBY.CLUB)

Porirua City Football - Club Open Day, is being held on Saturday 21st March at Postgate Park, Whitby, at 1.30pm-2.30pm. BBQ will be available. If wet, it will be postponed to Saturday 28th March.

**PORIRUA CITY FOOTBALL CLUB**

**REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW**

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS  
**AGES 5-13**

**SEASON STARTS**  
 2ND MAY 2026  
 REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

**PORIRUA FEES**  
 FIRST KICKS - \$95  
 8 - 9 YEAR OLDS - \$110  
 10 - 11 YEAR OLDS - \$135  
 12 - 13 YEAR OLDS - \$140

[WWW.PORIRUACITYAFC.CO.NZ](http://WWW.PORIRUACITYAFC.CO.NZ) PORIRUA CITY AFC PORIRUACITYFOOTBALLCLUB@GMAIL.COM

**PUKERUA BAY SOCCER CLUB**

Why not give FOOTBALL a go for 2026.

- We are a small friendly club promoting "Football for Everyone".
- Registrations are now open for 7 to 13 year old children to play team football on Saturday's.
- Register for "Junior Geckos", (4 to 6 year old's) on any Sunday 9 – 10am from the 2<sup>nd</sup> May onwards at Pukerua Bay School.
- Our fees are amongst the lowest in the region. \$55 (4-6 year olds). \$110 (7-13 year olds).
- "Soccer for Fun" is a 3 week FREE programme for children to experience playing football.

Venue: Pukerua Bay School playing field on Sunday's 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 9 – 10am, and Wednesday's 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> March, 3.30 – 4.30pm.  
 Football boots are not necessary as trainers will do, just turn up on the day.

To register and pay to be in a team (7-13year old's) this season please go to:  
[www.pukeruabaysoccer.org.nz](http://www.pukeruabaysoccer.org.nz)

Wests X Capital Football

# FOOTBALL FOR ALL PROGRAM

**WHAT IS FOOTBALL FOR ALL**  
 The Football For All programme has the primary aim of fostering inclusion, participation and hauora, by using football as a vehicle. The programme has been designed to focus on our refugee and immigrant communities, as well as lower socio economic families and families facing hardship. Participants who want to play but need a little financial assistance can get involved with the programme by registering with Wests for the football season.

**WHAT CAN BE COVERED.**

- ✓ Registration Costs
- ✓ Equipment needs
- ✓ Transport assistance
- ✓ Communication assistance

**WESTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL CLUB**  
 At Wests we want to ensure all children who would like to play football have the opportunity to participate by removing barriers to play.

Register at  
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/footballforall/>  
 Or contact Jo at Western Suburbs FC  
 operations@westernsuburbs.co.nz

Western Suburbs FC  
 Endeavour park, Whitby  
 021 563274

Find us on  **Capital BMX**  
 www.capitalbmx.co.nz  
 capitalbmx.info@gmail.com  
 Come and have a go!






**HAVE A GO**  
**Love riding bikes?**  
 Keen to develop your riding skills?  
 Looking for a fun & family friendly Club?  
 Come on down to **CAPITAL BMX**

Check out our new development straight  
 And get tips from our coaches  
 Training Thursday evening  
*(during daylight savings)*  
**Club Day Sunday Morning From 0930**  
 BMX bikes, helmets & gloves available to use  
 You just need long sleeves & long pants  
**GET THE WHOLE FAMILY INVOLVED**  
**2026 CLUB DAYS START SUNDAY 18TH JAN**  
 Find us on  **Capital BMX**

www.capitalbmx.co.nz



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**FIRST HOME BUYER?**

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No matter where you are in your home buying journey - ready to buy soon or just starting to think about it, you're very welcome.

The evening will be expertly guided by Hunter Macdonald. We'd love to see you there.

YOUR HOSTS:

 **Team Watson** |  **Parka.**  
 Life Insurance Plans

 **The Mortgage Advisor**  
 KNOWLEDGE ADVICE EXPERIENCE

 **MANAAKI LEGAL**

PATAKA  
 MARCH 19

Doors open 5:30pm  
 Events starts 6:00pm  
**FREE ENTRY**

