

PAREMATA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 18TH FEBRUARY 2026

TERM 1 – WEEK 3



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Tonight	ParentLink Meeting - 7:00pm in staffroom
Thursday 5 th March	Year 8 Overnighter
Thursday 19 th March	Multi Challenge Day
Tues 17 th /Wed 18 th /Wed 25 th March	Kahikatea Syndicate to Pataka

TERM DATES FOR 2026

Term 1 – ends at 3:00pm – Thursday 2nd April – Good Friday 3rd April
Term 2 – Monday 20th April - Friday 3rd July
Term 3 - Monday 20th July - Friday 25th September
Term 4 - Monday 12th October – Wednesday 16th December @ 1:00pm



Kia ora tatou

Parentlink

Our first ParentLink meeting is **tonight at 7:00pm**. ParentLink work hard fundraising for school resources and equipment. Please see the attached letter outlining their role and how you can help. Many thanks to Katie Firth and the team for your ongoing support.

Family Contribution Donations

Statements have been emailed out today. Payment can be paid into our school account 12 32540048796 00 using *donation and your name as reference*. Contributions for 2026 are as follows:

- One child - \$250
- Two children - \$350
- Three + Children \$400
- Year 7/8 Technology fee - \$80

The School Family Contributions are essential for covering our extra-curricular programmes and school trips. Those families who pay in full by 1 December 2026 will go into a lucky draw to win their donation back. Families are also welcome to set up a payment plan - please see Michelle in the office.

Absentees - Please email any absentee messages to - absent@paremata.school.nz

It is very important that you advise the office on the above email, **as well as the teacher** when your child is absent. You can also leave a phone message - you dial the school number 233 1339 and then press 1.



As we need to put in a code, we need to know the **reason why your children is absent**, ie sick, at an appointment, bereavement etc. If you take your child out of school, they must be signed out at the office. If your child is absent for 3 consecutive days without us being notified – our system will mark your child as being truant.



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



Sailing Regatta

All the very best to Max Waghorn who is representing our school at two sailing regattas this week. The first regatta is at the Paremata Boating Club and then on the weekend Max is sailing in Picton. Good luck Max. We hope you have a very successful time and we're all cheering for you!



Netball Coordinator

We need a person to be our Paremata School Netball Coordinator for 2026. This will need to be someone who is available to be fully involved with the organisation of our school netball. This can be a job share position for 2 people. Please contact the office for more details.

Enrolments For 2026



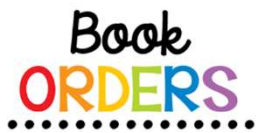
If you have a child turning 5 this year and you haven't yet enrolled them; can you please contact Marie Arlow in the office as soon as possible to organise enrolment. (Siblings of children already here are automatically accepted but still need to fill out an enrolment form).

Sunhats

Sunhats are to be worn for all outside activities during Term 1. Please name your child's hat. School hats are available to buy from the school office for \$15.00.



Nga mihi nui - Matua Bryce



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – ISSUE NO. 1 – ORDER ONLINE mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

If you wish to purchase from the current book club selection, please order **online** no later than this **Friday 20th February**. If you would like any purchases to be held at the office, please order online under OFFICE.

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



Community Snorkel: Whitireia Park – Saturday 14th February

Postponement date Saturday 21st February

Dive into a free snorkelling event this summer!



COMMUNITY SNORKELS Greater Wellington Water Safety

Beginners welcome! We provide all the necessary gear and experienced guides to ensure your safety and enjoyment in the water. Participants just need to be at least eight years old and confident swimmers. Those under sixteen must be accompanied by an adult.

Registrations open at 9.45am. Come down to book a snorkel time for the day, as spots may fill up quickly. Bring your togs, towel, refreshments and make a day of it exploring the activities and environment at Whitireia Park.

This free event is brought to you in partnership with Greater Wellington Regional Council.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1130577869272840>

<https://www.mountaintoseawellington.org/events/community-snorkel-whitireia>

PORIRUA CHILDREN'S LIBRARY – FRIDAY LIBRARY CLUB

The Porirua Children's Library is proud to present our newest events series—Friday Library Club! These events will feature on Friday afternoons after school. They are a surefire way to kick off your weekend with a bang (and a great chance to stock up on your weekend reading)!

Our events for the remaining Fridays in February are:

20 Feb: **"Puzzle Pandemonium"** 3:30pm-5:15pm—puzzles of varying abilities will be set up in the Children's section. Can we complete a 300-piece puzzle before the library closes?

27 Feb: **"Beading Bash"** 4:00pm-5:00pm—help us work through our gorgeous stack of beads! Learn the basics of jewellery making and create a friendship bracelet for you and your bestie.

See you this Friday!



ONLINE REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

FOOTBALL

REGISTRATION OPEN DAY

Western Suburbs FC

Western Suburbs Football Clubrooms
Endeavour park, Whitby

WEDNESDAY | 18.02.2026

4.30PM - 7.00PM

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St Theresa's School
March Madness Fair
Saturday 21st March 2026
11am - 3pm
James St, Plimmerton

FREE ENTRY

Children's Day

11am-3pm
Sunday
1 March

Ngāti Toa Domain
Paremata

Build, bash, and have a blast!



porirua.govt.nz/childrensday

porirua city

We are teaming up with



Teddy Bear's Picnic

OTAKI MARKET

Story time with Books&Co
Craft table
Facepainting
Teddy Bear Competition
Delicious Homemade Baking

Books&Co Voucher up for grabs!

Rātapu | Sunday

15 MAR

10am - 2pm
Main Highway, Otaki



