



PAPAROA SCHOOL

SUCCESS THROUGH EFFORT

Na to mahi kaha ka whiwhi ai



Our Mission at Paparoa School is to be a vibrant learning environment which is culturally responsive to families and the community. We are passionate about education and will assist all students to feel nurtured and challenged to achieve their full potential.



Staff Directory

Principal	-	Karyn Taylor
Room 3	-	Julie Harper
Room 2	-	Janine Sims / Karyn Taylor
Specialist Teacher	-	Andrea Orchard
Teacher Aide	-	Christine Stewart
Admin Officer	-	Jane Meek
Caretaker	-	Matt Collins
Cleaner	-	Jayne Short

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Nau mai, haere mai. Welcome.

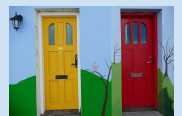
At the heart of the Paparoa Community, we at Paparoa School are known for our whanaungatanga, our strong sense of belonging which provides a warm, welcoming family friendly, inclusive environment. Our modern, rural school is surrounded by paddocks, a bike track, our own orchard as well as having local access to the community hall, walkways and a mountain bike track.

Our school offers a mix of technology alongside a healthy rural school curriculum with small class sizes. This enables students to receive more 1:1 time with the teacher, individualised programmes and personalised authentic learning opportunities. Aiming high, we believe in 'panekiretanga, striving for the highest standards, achieving our goals, while supporting our tamariki to be challenged and enriched. We focus on quality rather than quantity!

A lot of change will be happening at Paparoa School over the next few years. A new Te Reo Maori and Tikanga programme will be introduced at the beginning of 2023, with the re-introduction of Kapa Haka. We are developing the Local Curriculum, where an Outdoor Education Programme will continue to be expanded to incorporate all aspects of the environment we live in. We are introducing Garden to Table, building our gardens to incorporate the natural habitat of insects and small animals. We are developing an agricultural programme for students to learn how to work with calves and participate in the Pet & Show Day. Extension subjects and languages are currently being investigated for students to participate in through the winter months.

To complement our learning and culture, we will be developing our indoor and outdoor spaces, making Paparoa School a place that is moving forward, a place to be proud of.

Come in and see us anytime, we welcome the opportunity to talk to you and your child. We will give you a tour around the school and discuss the unique opportunities a rural school delivers. Our door is always open.



Our Values

RESILIENCE	
RESPECT	
RESPONSIBILITY	

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Board of Trustee meetings are held at 5.00pm in the school's Board Room and are usually on the last Monday of each month. You are welcome to attend these meetings, if you would like to address a meeting, you must request to do so in writing, briefly stating your intended topic, by Wednesday preceding the meeting.

Kirsty Colquhoun	Presiding Member
Maureen Evans	Parent Representative
Shelly Priest	Parent Representative
Julie Harper	Staff Representative
Karyn Taylor	Principal

SCHOOL HOURS

8.00am	School gates open
8.30am	School starts
10.30am-11.00am	Morning Tea
12.30pm - 1.10pm	Lunch Time
2.25pm	School Finishes



TERM DATES

2023		2024	
Term 1	31st January - 6th April	Term 1	TBC - 12th April
Term 2	24th April - 30th June	Term 2	29th April - 5th July
Term 3	17th July - 22th September	Term 3	22th July - 27th September
Term 4	9th October - 14th December	Term 4	14th October - TBC

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

2023		2024	
Waitangi Day	6th February	Waitangi Day	6th February
Easter	7th to 10th April	Easter	29th March to 2nd April
Anzac Day	25th April	King's Birthday	3rd June
King's Birthday	5th June	Matariki	28 June
Matariki	14th July	Labour Day	28th October
Labour Day	23th October		

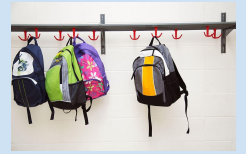
SCHOOL POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Currently our school policies and procedures are getting changed over to digital and will be able to be viewed through schooldocs in 2023.

If you need to view any of these beforehand, they are available in the office.

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

We think it is important to allow as much time as needed for your child to settle into the routine of school. We do not have set days for visiting, please contact us at least eight weeks before your child is due to start school and we can organise visits. Generally we will start off with your child visiting for one block with mum, dad, grandma or grandad etc staying with them. It is important for your child to feel comfortable and safe when they are at school and an adult will support this, which will create a successful transition once they start full time. We will continue to build the time and independence through their visits. You know your child best, we will work with you.



ENROLLING

To enrol your child, you need to fill in the enrolment form, bring a Birth Certificate or current Passport and your child's immunisation record. (Well Child Booklet or ring doctors surgery for a copy). If you haven't already, the Principal will have a chat about the school and discuss any of your child's needs, answer your questions or concerns and have a tour.

STATIONERY

At Paparoa School, we ask that parents purchase school stationery requirements through the school office in the first week of school. Stationery lists will be made available from the school office. Please note that the school has no mark up on the stationery items provided. Students can 'top up' stationery items through the year, and an invoice will be issued to parents.

SCHOOL DONATIONS

At Paparoa School we are a part of the Ministry Donations Scheme. This means that parents are not asked for donations at the beginning of the year.



COMMUNICATION

We understand how busy life is for most. We have a number of different ways for you to contact us, and for us to contact you.

Office

Ph: 09 431 7379

Email: admin@paparoa.school.nz

School Mobile

We have a school mobile that you can text to contact the office, especially for absences and changes around pick ups after school. The phone is checked every morning and again at 2.00pm to check for messages.

Number is: 021 0868 6606

Newsletter

We produce a fortnightly newsletter at Paparoa School. The newsletter will be distributed via email and hard copies. A copy will also be added to the Website. If you would like any extended members to be added to our email list, please contact the office.

School & class information

We have a number of events that are happening at school. The information can go out in a number of ways. Email, facebook or hard copy. Please keep an eye out, and please let the office know if you need anybody added to the email list.

Paparoa Facebook

Our Facebook page is used to share photos of celebrations and events or show the current learning. We will also send information about the buses if there are any problems. This is a quick and effective way to stay up to date with regular communication. You are able to also use 'message' to contact us if needed. Check us out at: www.facebook.com/paparoaschool

Paparoa School Website

Our school website has our school calendar where you will be able to check up on the dates of events that are happening. www.paparoaschool.nz

School Hui

Our School Hui (assemblies) will be held every second Friday afternoon from 1.45pm. We have a whole school assembly which is led by our senior students. We welcome any whanau to attend this event. The Hui is a celebration of learning, effort and achievement our tamariki have demonstrated over the previous two weeks.

Meeting with Staff

There will be formal events when you are able to meet with staff. If you need to speak with a teacher, we are happy to make time. All we ask is that if you do require time with teachers, please ensure this does not disrupt classroom learning. By all means, email or catch up with them before and after school.

@School Parent App

We have introduced a new communication app for parents, whanau and the school. This ETaP app connects with our school's administration system which will enable all absences to be recorded, messages can be sent as well as notifications of upcoming events. When you enrol your child, you will receive an email with instructions on how to set up this app. There are visual instructions on how to do this in the enrolment pack. If you need support with this, please see Jane in the office.



Absenteeism

The last few years have been a difficult time for all of us and being at school has been extremely disrupted. However, school is now on fulltime and students need to be attending. The Ministry of Education is running a variety of campaigns to support students going back to school and we are fully behind it. We are required by Ministry of Education regulations to input a satisfactory explanation for absences. If we are unable to contact you or we do not hear from you, your child will be identified as truant. Please, contact us on any of the communication methods (Email, Skool Loop, Facebook message, text or phone call) by 9.00am to let us know why your child is away from school. If you are having challenges getting your children to school, please come and talk to the Principal, we are here to help.

If your child is late or picked up early, please go to the office and either sign your child in or out.

Change of Details

Please inform the school promptly of any changes in your address, mobile number and email address. We must be able to contact you or a trusted caregiver in case of an emergency or illness. If you need to change your child's contact list, please ring the office.

SCHOOL BUS SERVICE

The Ministry of Education will not fund children's bus travel when families choose to send their child(ren) to a school other than the nearest appropriate one. The policy states that children under 10 years old who live more than 3.2km and children over 10 who live more than 4.8km from the nearest school are eligible for school transport. Eligible children are required to make their way to the nearest pick up point.

Please check the three different Paparoa School routes at: <https://song.easybus.nz/routes>

If you do not live within our school bus zone but wish to attend our school, collection points are

- Ford Road (Maungataroto)
- Petley Road (Matakohe)

Please contact the principal if you need to discuss or have questions about the routes or bus service.

principal@paparoa.school.nz

Bus Changes

Should your child/children be getting off the bus at a stop other than their usual or you wish for your child not to go on the bus for any reason, **the school must be notified** so we are able to make the changes to the bus lists which informs the drivers. This must be done by **2.00pm**.





FUNDRAISING



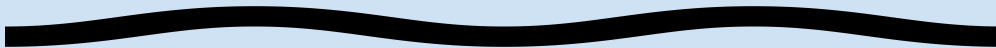
Unfortunately the Fundraising Group was disbanded during the Covid years but in 2022 we are slowly getting it back together. In 2022 we had an organising committee that did an amazing job recreating the Possum Purge that had been cancelled since 2019. This event raised the school \$11,000 which for a small rural school is like 'liquid gold'. We talk about 'quality over quantity' at our school but to get the quality, we must fundraise to provide for the extra curricular activities, programmes and equipment. We rely on the school families to provide some time to support our school whether it be with fundraising events, working bees or cooking sausages on the BBQ!

In 2023, the school will be creating a priority list of projects that will need fundraising support. We will be forming a fundraising committee to organise the events throughout the year. We hope you can join us.

SUPPORTERS

In previous years, Paparoa has had companies sponsor the school for curriculum extras such as students being a part of the Duffy books schemes and receiving 3 books throughout the year. This wasn't done in 2022 due to the economic situation of most companies. However, in 2023 we will be trying again. If you know of any businesses that would like to support the school, making a donation which will be allocated to learning resources e.g. tools for the garden, Duffy books, fruit trees for the orchard please contact Karyn Taylor, Principal. principal@paparoa.school.nz

Our supporters will be advertised on our website, showing their company logo and a blurb about what they do. They will have their logo on our newsletter and will be displayed at the front of the school, showing our support of them.



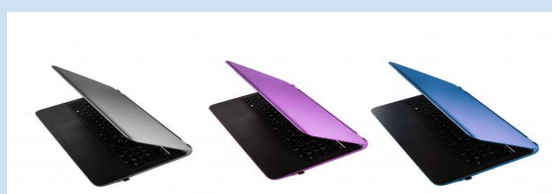
SUN SMART

Paparoa School has been accredited by the Cancer Society as a 'sun safe school'. To help continue promoting sun safety and awareness, the school provides all children with wide-brimmed sun hats to wear in Term 1 and Term 4. If children choose not to wear the hat, they will be sitting in the shade for break times.

Our tamariki may bring their own hat, but this too must be a wide-brimmed hat.

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

There is a fine line having computers in the classrooms as people have varying ideas of their use. At Paparoa School, all students have access to chromebooks and I-pads although these devices will be used as the tool, not the babysitter! Our students participate in coding and learning programmes, creating designs, digital animations as well as learning the basic programmes required to be a 21st century learner.



SCHOOL EVENTS



VISITORS

At Paparoa School, we ask that all visitors who enter the school grounds to please report to the office first and fill in the sign-in sheet. This is a requirement by law in case there's a fire or another type of emergency. The safety of our tamariki is of the **utmost importance**, we need to know who is in our school for their protection.