



# PAPAROA SCHOOL

Na to mahi kaha whiwhi ai  
Success Through Effort

27th March 2026

Newsletter 04

## School Information



School App



FaceBook: Paparoa School

To enrol a student -

<https://enrolments.linc-ed.com/apply/NZ/1077>

Website: <https://www.paparoa.school>



<https://paparoa.schooldocs.co.nz>

Username: paparoa

Password: franklinrd

Bus Information - <http://song.easybus.nz>

## School Hours

8.30am to 2.25pm

Morning Tea: 10.30am - 10.50am

Lunch: 12.30pm - 1.20pm



Paparoa Friends of the School

Private group · 17 members

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**



Wednesday 1st April - Last day of Term 1 for students & Hui at 1.45pm

Thursday 2nd April - Last day of Term 1 - *Teacher Only Day*

Monday 20th April - First day of Term 2

Monday 27 April - Anzac Day Observed



Tena Koutou, Ki Orana, Bula and Hello Whanau

This is the last newsletter for Term 1, how fast has the term gone! Thank you for all of your support with all of the events, as well as helping your children attend school consistently. We look forward to continuing to build strong attendance habits in Term 2.

**As a school, we are committed to keeping all of our tamariki safe. This includes respecting that some children cannot have their photos taken or shared. When attending school events, please ensure you only take photos of your own child. We appreciate your understanding and support with this.**



I want to give a big shout out to Malcolm who has looked after our swimming pool each weekend and through the Summer Holidays. He has meticulously carried out the chemical requirements, keeping it clean and going above and beyond. All this time and energy has been as a volunteer and on behalf of the BOT we cannot thank him enough for what he has done.

I also want to thank Andrew Hames for completing the fence down in the bottom paddock which will now keep the cows away from the native corridor. He has taken a day out of his busy schedule to get this project completed and the BOT are very appreciative of his continued support.

### **BOT Meeting: 26th March 2026**

We had our Week 8 meeting last night.

There are a few mentions from the meeting:

1. Bi-election - We have had 3 nominees for the bi-election which we are very thankful for. We have added their photos and bios below. Please check your emails to vote which needs to be done by the 22nd April.
2. Attendance: The BOT had an in-depth conversation about the considerable drop from 86% to 75% from Week 4.
3. Property projects are continuing:
  - a. The contractors will be coming in during the holidays to tidy up a number of trees around the place
  - b. The school will be washed and spider sprayed during the holidays.
  - c. The kitchen will have the acoustic panels put in during the holidays which should improve the echoing that we currently have.
4. Springboard Trust: in my workshop we looked at the Stakeholders of our school. We completed an activity last night, identifying who these stakeholders were for our school and we came up with quite a few. This will enable the BOT to forward plan on getting stakeholders involved during the consultation part of the strategic plan development later in the year.
5. School Pool: As a school we have an annual cyclical maintenance programme to help with the upkeep of the school property. This year we are due to get the pool painted which it is in desperate need of. We have received two quotes and we are sourcing a third due to the huge costs. We are looking at getting this done in March next year.
6. Upcoming projects
  - a. We are currently undertaking a process with the MOE around getting solar panels
  - b. We are getting a fire alarm upgrade hopefully in May
  - c. We are also undergoing a secure access upgrade for our ICT network which is happening in May
7. The Ministry of Education has continued to fire through more changes this year. The BOT were introduced to the new reporting format that the MOE are expecting us to use. This has created challenges for us and we will continue to be working through these to get ready for the mid year reports at the beginning of July. The BOT were also shown the new learning evidence system on HERO and we are excited to at some point begin to share this with our parents/caregivers.
8. The Policies that we covered were:
  - a. Alcohol, drugs and Other harmful substances Policy
  - b. Sun Protection
  - c. Digital Technology and Online Safety
  - d. Cellphones and Other Personal Digital Devices

**A reminder that we have our final Hui on Wednesday the 1st April and this is also the last day of school for the students. All staff will be back the next day for a Teacher Only Day. We have a number of certificates to give out, our Duffy books and the kids are so excited to find out who wins the Term 2 Principal for the Day. It is starting at 1.45pm if you are keen to come along.**

Have a great Easter break and holidays, we will see you back at school on Monday 20th April.

**Nga Mihi**

**Karyn Taylor  
Principal**



## Welcome to our New Student - Albert



### Reminder

The 2025/26 Pool season has ended, please return your pool keys by the end of Term on Wednesday 02 April.

We hope you all enjoyed the use of the pool and we thank you for your care and attention to keeping the pool presentable for everyone to enjoy.

Our Principal will organise your bond return. If you have not supplied your bank account details on the agreement form, please advise Jane in the Office.



### OUR SUPPORTERS



**Bradmore Farms**  
Hames Family



Welcome to our new sponsor Akarana Timbers based in Ruakaka. They are supporting us to upgrade our playground.

Yuri van Houten  
[northtanks@gmail.com](mailto:northtanks@gmail.com)

## ***Meet our Board of Trustee Candidates***



**Tegan Hart**

I am a mother of 3 with my oldest starting school last year which means I'll be around a few years yet. I have decided that I want to join the BOT to learn the governance part of the school as I am invested in my children's schooling future. I am a team player and look forward to supporting the staff and students in the Paparua School journey if I am elected.



**Ngaire Hames**

I have been on the board for the last 2 years and have enjoyed being a part of the decision making for the school. I feel that the school has made huge gains and would love to continue in this role. My eldest has just left Paparua and we are all thrilled with how well she has transitioned into High School, thriving within this new journey. We still have two children at Paparua and I acknowledge the importance of governance in a school.



**Patsy Parkinson**

I have three grandchildren that have been or will be going to attend Paparua School. I feel I'm level headed and am very involved in our local communities such as the Paparua Lions. I am passionate about our future generations and I have a background as an ECE/Centre Manager for over 16 years.