Newsletter Term 1 Wk 9 2024

Thursday 28th March 2024

Kia ora e te whānau.

Junior Athletics:



Last Friday our junior school participated in the junior school athletics. It was great to see so many parents and whānau at school watching their children and in some cases joining in. It feels like much more of a community event when we have lots of parents and whānau here.

It was really cool to see all the junior children giving their all at each of the events and to see the practice they have been putting in paying off. We definitely have some very talented athletes in our junior school and we look forward to them representing our school at the Parumoana Athletics once they get to Year 5. I would like to thank Maddy Bain for organising an awesome event and also to the teachers who helped make the day so successful

Education Review Office (ERO):

Two weeks ago we had a visit from our ERO reviewer. I have met with Jan a couple of times before, but this visit was more about what we were doing with regard to the government's latest education policies as part of their 100 day plan. These policies are the banning of phones at school and an hour a day of Reading, Writing and Maths.

As part of the visit, we did a walk through all the classrooms. I felt particularly proud of what the classrooms were doing. Collectively they showcased how we provide a wide range of learning experiences for the children to help them achieve in a variety of ways. Classes were doing poetry, structured literacy, going for a walk to the inlet and hands on science observations. It was a great way to show how teachers integrate learning for the children so that they are doing an hour a day of Reading, Writing and Maths.

In the coming weeks, ERO will provide us with a summary statement of how we are doing as a school. I will share this with you once I receive it.

Easter Tuesday:

This year Easter is not part of the school holidays. This is a reminder that all schools are closed on the Tuesday 2 April.

I hope everyone has a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break and you manage to spend some quality time together as a whānau. We look forward to seeing everyone back next Wednesday.

Ngā mihi Caine Webster - Principal principal@pauatahanui.school.nz

HIGH FIVE

Congratulations to all our junior certificate recipients

Pippa

Coco

Lincoln

Tommy

Ruby S

Ary

Lachie A

Lucy F



FROM THE OFFICE

CAM 2024 Kiwi Competitions

The University of Canterbury is offering your child the opportunity to participate in the KIWI English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These competitions take place annually and are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students and closely align with the New Zealand Curriculum. For further information, please consult the CAM website www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam. The competitions are open to all Year 5-10 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Students can enter in one or more subjects. Each competition will provide parents/caregivers with an individual student report of their child's overall performance. These are available through your school. The supervised online tests will take place in the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3. The competitions are to be administered at school under exam conditions and supervised. All participating students will receive a certificate and a prize will be awarded to the top student nationally in each competition. If two or more students share the same top score, then the prize is awarded to the student with the highest speed and accuracy. NOTE: Our policy is not to release test papers. The tests are provided primarily as a competition and not as a teaching resource. Entries are administered by the school. For further information, please consult the CAM website www.canterburv.ac.nz/cam

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Yummy stickers

We are still collecting the Yummy stickers for free sports equipment. If you need a collection sheet, please see the office or print from here https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/



Wine Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who has already sent their order through. This is just a reminder that orders are still open until Friday 12th of April.

Order forms can be found on Hero and paper ones have gone home with your child. Please get in touch if you have any troubles ordering.

We are selling a selection of wine at competitive prices to fundraise towards the repair and maintenance of our playground. For every 12 bottles sold, the school will make \$40.00!

- You are encouraged to share this with family and friends we do ask that you collate in your own order form and arrange distribution.
- Orders can be collected from the school at pick-up times which will be communicated at a later date. These will be after school hours.
- This is a parent run fundraiser, students are not involved.
- For every 6 bottles ordered you will receive a free 2023 Paua tea towel.
- If you could please arrange ONE payment per form into the fundraising account, that would be much appreciated. Please use your Surname as a reference when making payment via online banking.

Thank you for your support ©



Games House



Event



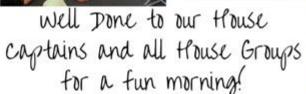
















Stace - 476

House Point Totals

Term 1, 2024

Bradey - 465

Gray - 453



Sports Day!



On Friday the Junior School had a wonderful athletics day. It was great to put the skills we have been learning in P.E into action and show our families our running, jumping and throwing!









Tanui Hub

Tanui Hub is loving learning about our local estuary. As a hub we have been learning what an estuary is, researching what animals call it home and why it is important.



Our favourite part was going crab finding down at the Pāuatahanui inlet during Mana Aotūroa time!



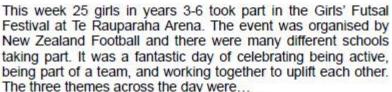
Can you spot the mud crab?





Girls' Futsal Festival





- 1. Be BRAVE AND TRY SOMETHING NEW
- 2. Be CONFIDENT TO DRIBBLE AS WELL AS PASS
- 3. Be a GOOD TEAMMATE

The girls were encouraged to learn the rules and be responsible for the games, while the teachers and parents were encouraged to take a step back. It was awesome to see the girls learn and take charge! When they weren't playing, our girls showed kotahitanga - cheering on their teammates and even encouraging them with waiata from the sidelines!











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