



PARNELL
DISTRICT SCHOOL

Wednesday 16th September

Kia Ora Whanau

Well, it must be said that our core value of innovation has been at the fore this year as we continue to navigate the ever-changing climate 2020 has thrown at us. Term two has again been a disrupted term, and it's hard to believe we're almost at the end of the term again. It has been wonderful to see our students making the most of the film studio that has sprung up in the hall as we capture the amazing learning children have done over performing arts week and collaborate on our school show 'The Sound of Science'. The Movie will have a big-screen debut in cinema where our whole community will get to see our students shine. COVID has taught us to think of all dates as either provisional, or Alert Level Dependent, but the provisional date for the big screen premiere of 'The Sound of Science' is Sunday the 2nd of November, at 2 pm.



Welcome to our new Deputy Principal

As you will know, Wendy Franklin-Smith has resigned through illness earlier in the year. This resignation has left the school with the opportunity to appoint a new Deputy Principal: Curriculum. This role is central to school-wide leadership for curriculum, assessment and reporting and builds on the exceptional work Wendy has done in the last ten years.

Following a highly competitive application process, with exceptional candidates, both internal and external, I am excited to announce the appointment of our new Deputy Principal, Anna Sephton. Anna has shown herself as an exceptional classroom practitioner in her work in Room 27 over the last two years. This new role

allows Anna to use these skills along with the leadership practices she honed in previous roles to help shape the curriculum for all students at Parnell District School.

I know you will join me in congratulating Anna in her appointment, and we look forward to seeing her use her skills to support a robust curriculum to ensure excellence for all students at Parnell District School.

C4 Holiday programmes: 28th September - 9th October

Remember, if you're looking for a range of exciting opportunities for your child to enjoy with their schoolmates over the holiday, C4 has an excellent programme planned. Help Claire to make sure she can plan for all participants by signing up as soon as possible.

Thinking ahead to 2021

If anything has changed for your family, or you'd like to let us know anything we need to know about placement for your child, **we need to know by Monday the 21st of September.** For example;

- Letting us know if your child won't be returning by emailing enrolment@parnell.school.nz
- Letting us know if you now live out of the zone and require a place for a new entrant child who will be enrolling in 2021. This is important as we are governed by an enrolment zone and only accept out of zone children who are siblings of current students. Let us know by emailing enrolment@parnell.school.nz
- If you think there's anything we need to know before placing your child in their class for 2021, you can let us know by emailing placement@parnell.school.nz. The Senior Leadership team work closely with teachers to use all we know about our learners to ensure the best fit for every child. You may have information including any issues with friendships, particular approaches to learning that are most helpful for your child, or specific learning needs that you're aware of that you think we should remember when placing your child. It is not acceptable to email to request a particular teacher. Any such requests will be disregarded.

Important dates:

School Fete: 14th November

The school fete will go ahead on the 14th of November provided we can provide an amazing day for our community safely under COVID Alert Levels.

EOTC week: 24th – 26th November

Provided we can safely go camping under COVID Alert Levels, EOTC week optional camps will proceed. We need parent helpers for these camps to go ahead, so note down the dates:

- Year 7-8 will camp 24th – 26th of November
- Year 5-6 will camp 24th – 26th of November
- Year 4 will camp on the 24th – 25th of November

Term Three

17/09	Immunisation Year 7/8
18/09	No Assembly
21/09	Week 10
23/09	Parent Helpers Thank You Morning tea has been postponed
24/09	PTA Mufti and Sausage Sizzle
25/09	Assembly: Te Arawa . End of term three school finishes at 3 pm.

Term Four

12/10	Week 1: Inquiry "My Learning My Way"
16/10	Assembly: Room 13
19/10	Week 2:
21/10	New parent Breakfast
23/10	Assembly: Room 7
26/10	Labour Day (No School)
27/10	Week 3: PTA meeting 7 pm
30/10	Assembly Room 12
1/11	The Sound of Science Premiere!
02/11	Week 4: BOT
04/11	Athletics Day
05/11	Mufti Day and Sausage Sizzle








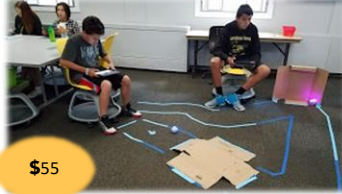

06/11	Assembly: Room 6
09/11	Week 5:
11/11	Athletics rain day
13/11	Assembly: Room 26: Year 0-3 Athletics rain day
14/11	PTA Fete and Whanau Day
16/11	Week 6: Midterm new entrant cohort start
17/11	PTA meeting 7 pm
20/11	Assembly: Room 27
23/11	Week 7: EOTC week
26/11	0-3 Reports and conferences, PACT Report
30/11	Week 8:
02/12	Bake Sale: New Entrant Transition days begin
03/12	City Mission Mufti (No Sausage Sizzle)
04/12	Assembly: Room 9
07/12	Week 9:
08/12	Whole School Trip: Parnell Baths
09/12	Prizegiving
10/12	Year 8 Graduation
11/12	Final Assembly: Aotea: School Finishes at 1 pm

School holidays with C4



Week 1
28 September – 2 October

Week 2
5 October – 9 October

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	<p>BRICKS 4 KIDZ</p> <p>Come and have a fun-filled day with the team from Bricks 4 Kidz and create your favourite superheroes with bricks & motors! 8am-3pm</p>  <p>\$75</p>	<p>BAKING FUN</p> <p>Today we'll bake a variety of treats (cupcakes & slice), have a "taste test" and package up the leftovers to take home to your families. 8am-3pm</p>  <p>\$55</p>	<p>SPORTS, GAMES & SCAVENGER HUNT</p> <p>Join Ben & Alex for a fun-filled day at school playing a variety of activities inside and out plus we'll finish the day with a scavenger hunt! 8am-3pm</p>  <p>\$55</p>	<p>SEWING CHALLENGE</p> <p>Do you need a new face mask, pencil case, library bag or even an apron or tool belt? Come and sew with Jackie & the team and you'll even have the opportunity to decorate your fabric. 8am-3pm</p>  <p>\$55</p>	<p>KELLY TARLTON'S</p> <p>Come and explore the unique underwater world full of discovery and adventure at Sea Life Kelly Tarlton's. On our return to school, we'll continue the day with sea/fish crafts. 8am-3pm</p>  <p>\$75</p>
	<p>BRICKS 4 KIDZ</p> <p>Come and have a fun-filled day with the team from Bricks 4 Kidz and create models based on the Olympic Games! 8am-3pm</p>  <p>\$75</p>	<p>SOAP & BATH BOMBS</p> <p>Today you'll get a chance to learn to make your sweet-smelling soap & bath bombs! Take them home to use for yourself or package them up for someone special. 8am- 3pm</p>  <p>\$55</p>	<p>ULTIMATE SPORTS DAY</p> <p>Are you up for the challenge? Come and join the other C4 kids for a day of climbing and jumping! In the morning we'll jump at a trampoline park then head to clip & climb for a vertical afternoon. 8am-3pm</p>  <p>\$85</p>	<p>ROBOTICS OBSTACLE COURSE</p> <p>Using the awesome robotics in the PDS STEAM room, come and create, design & assemble a robot and set up an obstacle course. 8am-3pm</p>  <p>\$55</p>	<p>AUCKLAND MUSEUM</p> <p>Can you tell reality from rumour? We will get a copy of the "Tamaki Truth Newspaper" and follow the clues around the museum to discover which stories are fact and which are fake! 8am-3pm</p>  <p>\$55</p>

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For more information, email clairej@parnell.school.nz



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Hello everyone!

The holidays are fast approaching and C4 has put together an exciting & varied programme! Please book as soon as possible as we require a minimum number of children for some of the activities to go ahead. The flyer is attached and if you need any further information please get in touch.

I have had a request from the accounts department. When you pay your C4 invoice it would be fantastic if you could please use your invoice reference number. It makes it so much easier to allocate the money to the correct booking. Also please check that you are using the C4 bank account number which is ASB 12-3073-0126269-04. We also offer the "Pay Now" option which you'll find on your simyplus homepage. Thanks!

At this stage we are still running make up after school classes that were missed during our second lockdown. Because of this some classes will still be running well into term 4. We will be putting out a reduced after school class programme next week for term 4. Unfortunately, not all classes currently running will return next term due to time constraints but we'll make sure we have a full & amazing programme ready for 2021.

Please feel free to contact me anytime!

Kind regards

Claire

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Growing Great Humans



ROOM 5

POTION MAKING!



Room 5 have been busy scientists this term as part of our Inquiry 'Reactions'. We mixed different flavours of fruit juice together with soda water to whip up our very own potions! It was so much fun to taste how all the flavours reacted together! We then wrote a list of all the ingredients we used.



ROOM 27

SGRAFFITO ART



Samantha



Ayumi



Alena



Zander



Phoebe



Ada



Ruby



Noah



Otis

Zander
2008

WATERWISE:

SAILING AND KAYAKING PROGRAMME



Parnell is privileged to belong to the Okahu Bay Waterwise Group based at The Landings, Okahu Bay.

With a shed of equipment to support water skills for our use and the uncluttered Okahu Bay just 5 minutes from school we are able to have great times learning and having fun on the water. The programme includes, sailing optimist yachts, water safety and kayaking. This programme is primarily for year 5-8 students, though we do include keen year 4's for Friday Fizz.

Part of the requirement to being able to access this amazing resource is having **parent assistants who are trained and confident to support the programme.** Training involves time on the water, gaining knowledge and confidence in driving rescue boats, using kayaks and optimists as well as learning about water safety. This is assessed through a hands on session on the water with a Waterwise NZ Instructor. At Parnell we do this training at arranged times usually after school or in the weekends (it is often tide dependent) and you are welcome to bring your children with you to be trainees.

There are a group of parents who were training in term 1 and the assessment day in term 1 was put on hold by Covid. We are looking to resume training in Term 4 and would extend the offer to any other parents interested in having a go and seeing if they are interested in learning more.

Please contact Suzanne Parkinson, if you are interested in finding out more and/ or Joining the training sessions.

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