

Newsletter 13: 23rd August 2023

Kia ora e te whānau,

You may have seen the recent article in the NZ Herald about an incident at Baradene School where a man approached two girls and tried to encourage them to go with him in his vehicle. We take the safety of our students very seriously and are always working to ensure our school is a safe place for all our community. I want to encourage our community to take this opportunity to talk to our students about how we keep ourselves safe at school. Key messages to any students are

- We don't talk to adults we don't know
- If anyone tries to talk to you from outside the school grounds, ignore them and go and get a duty teacher straight away
- Be careful about talking to anyone on your way to or from school.

Any adult who is on site should be wearing a visitor sticker, letting us know that you've been to the office and signed in. Any adults who are on site who aren't wearing a visitor sticker after 9am or before 2:45pm will be assumed to be tress passers and dealt with accordingly. Parents and whānau, we also need your help on this one. If you need to drop anything off to your children, please bring it to the office and we'll make sure it's delivered. If you're coming on site to help in classes or with whānau & friends, please sign in at the office.

Congratulations to our Cross-Country Runners!

Congratulations to all our students who took part in our school cross country, and those who went to represent our school in the zone cross country on the 21st. The conditions meant it was a particularly challenging (and muddy) course, but our students represented us fantastically!

Congratulations are in order, for Maya Connor who came 3^{rd} in the year 5 girls, and Ava Arrowsmith who came 2^{nd} in the year 6 girls.

Certificates for our school champions and zone competitors will be presented at our end of term assembly on the 22nd of September.

Traffic and Walking to School

If your children walk, scoot or bike to school, we encourage you to remind them how important safety is around the roads. Please use the school crossings as your method to cross the road. Please do not use the small island at the fork of St Stephens Ave and Gladstone Road. The road is a busy place around school drop off and pick up times and our students and their family's safety are paramount.



@school Caregiver Portal - Desktop & App

If you wish to access your child's reports through the caregiver portal, it has been updated and is now available via desktop and an app. The app is called <u>@school</u> and you will have recently been sent new login details. In this portal you will find tax receipts, school reports and much more. Please familiarize yourself with the portal/app as we will be using it more in the future.



Uniform Reminders

Uniform and Lost Property: Just a friendly reminder to make sure your children's uniform is named. This will be the only way to get the items back. We have a lost property box located outside the library. Please check it regularly.

Second-hand Uniform: If your children has outgrown uniform items, we would love unform donated to us at the office so we can include it in our Second-hand Uniform shop. Thank you for your generosity and for practicing sustainable living.

Important Dates: Term Three

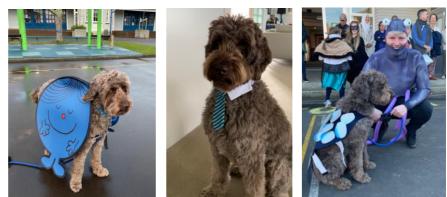
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25/8	Assembly: Room 6
28/8	Week 7
1/9	Assembly: Room20, New parent breakfast
4/9	Week 8
5/9	BS Basketball
6/9	Whānau and Friends meeting, Tokomaru Bake sale
8/9	Assembly: Room 5
	Week 9, EZ Girls Basketball
11/9	Book Fair: School Reports
13/9	Priority Learner Meetings
14/9	EZ Boys Basketball
15/9	Assembly: Enviro, Term 3 reports
18/9	Week 10
22/9	Tokomaru Assembly, Book Character Parade

Term Three: 17th July - 22nd September

Book Character Parade is coming!

Start planning, get those sewing machines ready, book character parade is coming! The 22nd of September is not only our Tokomaru assembly, but whole schoolbook character day! Book character day

is about helping our children share their favorite stories and characters with their classmates. Chester is trying hard to work out what could be a better costume for him than his Mr Perfect outfit from our last book character day.





FILMMAKING SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Show Me Shorts is delighted to present a Filmmaking School Holiday Programme for tamariki aged 8-13 years old, and in year level 4 - 8 in Auckland. Our team will be working with a group of children to make a short film together and learning along the way.

During the Sept/Oct school holidays of 2023 we will be running this course two times:

25-29 September at Devonport **Community House** - 2-6 October at Parnell District School

During the course your children will be guided to learn valuable filmmaking skills such as directing, acting, camera operating, lighting, costuming and making props. They will get creative with hands-on exercises, testing ideas, practicing cooperation and building confidence.



This course is facilitated by a registered teacher and a minimum of two adults will be present at all times. Our team has first aid training, and years of experience working with children and making movies.

All filmmaking equipment will be supplied. including cameras, lighting and sound recording gear. Some props and costumes may need to be sourced or made by the children as homework. Those children cast as the actors may also need to work on learning their lines at home.

The short films made during this course will screen at a red carpet premiere as part of a collection of Whānau Friendly short films at The Vic Devonport cinema on Sunday 15 October.

> Book at PDS.aimyplus.com



For more info: www.showmeshorts.co.nz/posts/filmmaking-holiday-programme or email Education Coordinator Olivia Jennings -SHORTS education@showmeshorts.co.nz



SHOW ME SHORTS FILM MAKING

The team from Show Me Shorts are back at PDS and running their amazing film making programme. For now, bookings are only open to PDS students, but soon it will be open to others around Auckland. To secure your place, book now.

Please book via **PDS.aimyplus.com** using the "Before and/or After School" booking type. Scroll down on the left-hand side to find "Show Me Shorts".

SHOW ME

Whānau & Friends

Tokomaru Bake Sale - Week 8

Wednesday 6 September Tokomaru Waka will be getting their baking skills on, to provide the school with cupcakes! More instructions to come home next week.



Whanau & Friends Meeting Wednesday 6 September 8:30-9am

We would love our Parent Reps but also any caregivers, to join us at our next meeting in the staff room where we will begin discussions for 2023's most anticipated event – THE DISCO (coming Term 4)

150th Celebrations continue.... with our very own Cookbook!

We are looking forward to continuing to show how diverse and wonderful our community is by producing a cookbook in celebration of our 150th birthday. The cookbook will be for sale later this year, and we would love to feature your culture and cuisine. If you have some delicious recipes to share, please reach out to office@parnell.school.nz.

Friday Cafe - Can you help?

Come along and join us from 3pm every Friday in the school courtyard. We sell ice creams while giving families a chance to catch up and connect after school! If you would like to help with this, please email pta@parnell.school.nz.





HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

BARBIE THE MUSICAL SONGWRITING & RECORDING

MAKE A BAND

Ages 6-17 Albany & Grafton Sept 25 - Oct 7 www.eliettesmusicacademy.com



HALLOWEEN THE ADDAMS FAMILY

Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 – 15 years. Students participate in a range of performing arts

classes, concluding the week with a performance!

25 - 29 September 2023, 9 am – 4 pm daily Held at Raye Freedman Arts Centre, Epsom Girls Grammar School

View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz or contact Hayley on either artz@artzonshow.co.nz or 09 294 7129



NEW CLUB, NOW OPEN!

少林功夫学校 THE KUNG FU SCHOOL - PARNELL

Parnell District School - Hall 48 Saint Stephens Avenue

Tuesdays and Thursdays Children: 6:15pm-7:15pm Teenagers and Adults 6:15pm-7:45pm

COME AND TRY A FREE CLASS!

Contact:

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AUCKLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL 2024 In Zone Enrolments

A reminder that In Zone enrolments for 2024 are now open. We encourage you to complete your online application as soon as possible. Please submit applications for Term 1 2024 by Friday 15 September 2023.

- 1) Go to the Auckland Grammar School website (www.ags.school.nz)
- 2) Click on 'Enrolment' (highlighted), from the top menu



3) Scroll down to 'In Zone Enrolment' and click 'Read More' under the blurb

Auckland Grammar School, Private Bag 99930, Newmarket, Auckland 1149 For more information, contact the Director of Enrolment Phone: 09 623 5400 extn 558 | Email: n.donoghue@ags.school.nz



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