Parkland PRIDE

The Newsletter of **Parkland School**



Term 1 - Week 9 of 11

28th March 2024

Rise to the Challenge Whāia te iti Kahurangi

Nga matua ma nga kaitiaki, Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We can't believe how fast the term is flying by, and how busy we all are. We loved seeing all of the colourful socks for World Down Syndrome Day last week, and the flashes of purple for Epilepsy on Purple Day this week. What a neat way for us to show our support within our own school community! We certainly pack a lot into a school day, and I know the children (and staff) will be looking forward to some down-time this long weekend. Please remember that school is closed on Tuesday next week (as part of the Education Act legislation). The Tuesday following Easter Monday is a school holiday (not a statutory holiday), meaning schools must not be open.

Enjoy the long weekend. Smiles. Sonia Mudgway

Principal

Update From the Board

Before & After School Care Due to the number of parent enquiries and the need for care for our children before and after school, the Board has decided to pursue an onsite option by partnering Community Connection aPlus in а Partnership. This will allow parents to have the option of registered OSCAR care onsite (operating from our hall) without children having to leave the school grounds. Once we are a bit further down the track with our planning, we will be in a position to let you know further details. We hope to have this service available next term.

Religious Education Policy Review The Board wishes to thank the community for their amazing engagement with the recent Religious Education Policy Review survey. As a Board we had a robust discussion around the results and feedback we received. As a result, our policy has been updated and Religious Instruction will not be offered at Parkland School.

STUDENT STARS







Reading Mileage! Autumn Writing!



Isabelle – Fabulous Autumn Writing!



Victor, accepted a \$175 Rebel Sports voucher from Event Manager, Andy. We had the second highest number of entries from schools in the 'I Tried the Tri' series! Ka Rawe! Awesome work!

Ambassadors, Scarlett and

Two of our Sports



Parker – x4 Golds & x1 Silver at the **Athletics** Manawatu Children's Champs! Tino pai!



Macev -Wonderful candle Making skills!

Room 6's Lots of Socks! Check out the foyer TV for loads more!



Special welcome to Sonny who has joined Room 10. We hope you enjoy your time at Parkland.



SPORTS NEWS

We had over 40 students take part in the Weetbix Tryathlon last week. The weather held out just long enough too! Miss Hacking was very impressed with the determination of our competitors, whom for many this was their first ever Try.





Way to go, Van and Awesome Ryder! job, Mia and Ella!

<u>Winter Sports</u> If you are interested in registering for Winter sports please do so by visiting our School website. Hockey, Basketball, Table Tennis.

ADMIN MESSAGES

Coming Up:

Autism Acceptance Month

We will be showing our support for Autism New Zealand by participating in a national 'quiet hour' on 10 April at 10am. This is in support of the message, 'Turn down the lights, turn down the noise and turn up for the autistic community of Aotearoa to celebrate Autism Acceptance Month 2024'. We will be promoting the wearing of hoodies that day — Hoods Up, Volume Down. This will show acceptance, understanding and accessibility. More details will come out closer to the time.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

HELP with TRANSPORT Needed: We are looking for the following help for a 7 year old girl for 2024:

Week 1. Monday & Tuesday transport to and from school. Week 2. Tuesday transport after school, Thursday & Friday transport to and from school. (No care is required, just the transport!)

I'm happy to discuss payment with anyone interested and can provide a full booster seat. We are located off Ruamahanga Crescent.

Britney Henderson-Banks

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PTA UPDATE

HUGE thank you for your support with our recent **Master** of Gingerbread Hot X Bun fundraiser. We sold over 1500 packets of Hot X Buns. Huge thanks to Aaron for his amazing baking! Winners announced soon.

HAVE YOUR SAY!

As part of our ongoing consultation, the Board will be asking for feedback on a range of topics throughout the year. Please use the QR Code or click on the link to complete this quick Yes/No survey:

Would you use an onsite Before/After School Care service at Parkland School? Click HERE or scan the QR Code...



KINDNESS CORNER

"The simple act of caring is heroic."

Fdward Alhert

Parkland PRIDE PUZZLER

for Week 9

Question: What date do we come back to school after Easter weekend?

Answer:

Name: Room:

Drop your entry in the cool new letterbox outside Mrs M's office!