

Parkland Pride



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RISE TO THE CHALLENGE

The Newsletter of Parkland School
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From the Principal's Desk...

Nga matua ma nga kaiitiaki,
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It wasn't that long ago that I was writing the newsletter in our Labour Weekend Late Edition! I hope everyone is enjoying this warmer weather we are having.

We are heading towards our School Athletics Day on November 19th and classes have been getting out as often as possible to practise their running, jumping and throwing skills.

The end of the year is also fast approaching, with planning underway for our final Whole School End of Year Celebration, our end of year assemblies, Y6 Graduation, classes for 2026 and student leadership for 2026 (among other events!) Phew!

We can now let you know the staff and class compositions for 2026. We have had to make some changes within teams for next year to accommodate the numbers across the school. There are also changes to some rooms within the teams. We welcome Vivian Grapentin to the team for 2026. She will be teaching in the Junior team next year.

Junior Team 2026

R2: Vivian Grapentin Y1/2

R5: Aimee Dyason Y1/2

R6: Hollie Patete Y1/2

R9: Amanda Hildred NE/Y1

R10: Anna Ousey NE/Y1

Middle Team 2026

R3: Leana Reardon Y3/4

R4: Melissa Young Y3/4

R13: Arlene Els Y2/3

R14: Jacqueline Tanner Y3/4

Senior Team 2026

R7: Rachel Holden Y4/5

R8: Sarah Bond Y5/6

R11: Rhys Hill Y5/6

R12: Caroline Hacking Y5/6

Mā te wa

Caro Jones Acting Principal



OFFICE MESSAGES



Statements were sent out last week. Please settle your child's account by December 1st, either online or cash/efpos at the office.
See Important Information below about the school bank account.



Bee Swarm Today

We had a swarm of bees in a tree on our field boundary today. We told the children to stay away and taped off the area. I was very disappointed that many did not listen to this warning and tried to throw things and hit the bees. Obviously this is very dangerous and could have resulted in serious injury. The cruelty element of these acts is also a concern. Please talk with your child about safety and consideration for animals.

EVERY FRIDAY for the rest of Term 4 is SAUSAGE SIZZLE Lunch Day - Please order before school (between 8:30-8:50am) at the table outside the office - CASH only please.
Prices are: sausage/bread \$2, large cookie \$2, small cookie \$1.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We have recently made the decision to change banks. Parkland School will now be banking with ASB Palmerston North.

If you make any automatic or online payments to us for your school payments, we will need you to update our details so that your payment reaches our new account.

Our new account number is: 12-3143-0459808-01 with the account name: PARKLAND SCHOOL (P NORTH) BOARD.

In order to help us with a smooth transition, we would appreciate if you could please update your banking details from the 1st December 2025 for your payments into our new ASB account.

Should you have any questions, please contact the school office on 06 358 1469 to discuss payment options.

Upcoming Dates:

Term 4

Also check out the Parent Calendar on our website.

14th November - PTA Disco

19th November - School Athletics Day

20th November - Orientation at Ross Intermediate for enrolled Y6s

27th November - Schools Road Race (selected Y5/6)

1st December - New Parent Meeting, 7pm in Staffroom

2nd December - Pack the Bus

2nd December - Interschool Athletics (selected Y5/6)

Click
here!



If your child is involved in something cool outside of school, let us know!

STUDENT STARS



Congratulations to Teddy who has taken up the position of Manson House Leader for Term 4. Thank you for "Rising to the Challenge" and stepping in to this role, Teddy.



Our Pride Puzzler Winners for Week 4. Ka pai tō mahi Quinn, Lynn, Oakley, Mia, Erin and Reeva.

Ka rawe Harriet, Braxton, Albo and Ryker - our Middle Team Strength Certificate recipients for Week 4.



Our Senior Team Strength Certificate recipients for Week 4. Ka Rawe Rihaan, Jayden, Jonah and Aleena!



Middle Team Strength Certificate recipients from Week 1 - Awesome work Millie, Emmett and Aryan



Strength Certificate recipients from the Junior Team for Week 4: Jake, Cooper, Jack, Archer and Maddy



Pride Puzzler winners from Week 1: Malachi, Madeleine, Oakley, Mia, Lachlan, Braxton, Toby. Ka pai!



Strength Certificates for the Junior Team for Week 1: Ella, Lachlan, M, Lucas and Elias - Great work!



Strength Certificates for the Senior Team for Week 1: Reuben, Peyton and Senalya.

Parkland Puzzler

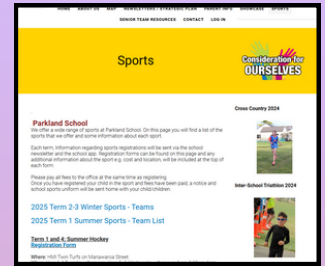
Qu: What are the Senior Modules group planting on Monday?



Parkland Puzzler

Write the answer, along with your name and room number, on a piece of paper and post it into the mailbox outside Mrs Mudgway's office.

Information for all sport currently offered, can be found on the [Sports page](#) of the Parkland School website.



Athletics Day Wednesday 19 November 2025

We are holding our School Athletics Day on Wednesday 19 November (postponement date TBC). If the weather looks dubious on the day, information will be shared on the @school app and our school Facebook page.

Children wear their house colours on this day, with their school hat. Shoes are optional. Teams will choose where they have lunch. Whānau are invited to join us on the day and may wish to bring a picnic lunch and siblings can sit together as a family.

Events will start at approximately 9:10am, with each team doing different events throughout the day to share the space: (please note that times are approximate, we try to run as close as possible to the times):

	Junior	Middle	Senior
1st block 9-10:40am	Inside/watching	Track events	Field events
2nd block 11:20-12:50pm	Field events	Inside/watching	Track events
3rd block 1:10 - 2:50pm	Track events	Field events	Inside/watching
	2:15 - Whole school - relays		

Recent and Upcoming Events:

Middle Team Stars

The Middle Team recently had the opportunity to perform at the Regent with Amy Hunt. Here they are shining on stage.



Ross Intermediate Orientation

The Year 6 students who are enrolled to go to Ross Intermediate in 2026 will travel by bus for the Orientation Visit on Thursday 20th November. They will be picked up from school at 1:15pm and return to school at 2:45pm.



Harakeke Planting

The Senior Modules Group, with Miss Hacking and Rhys Hill, will be planting Harakeke near the Wilderness Area behind the Kindergarten, on Monday 10th November. Representatives from PNCC and Horizons have been invited to this event, which connects to our recent learning around the historical significance of Harakeke to the area around the Parkland School site.

Something fun to try...

