

## 8 September 2023

Tēnā koutou katoa,

We have had a really great week with our disco being a highlight on Wednesday night. It is nice to be able to have such fun events that really excite our tamariki and give them a chance to connect with each other in a positive way. After much disruption over the last few years with covid, we are enjoying being able to get back to events that bring the community together. It was also great to see so many nostalgic dance moves from the adults on the night.

Thank you to Liz, our Student Councillors and staff for organising an excellent disco. Our tamariki had a fantastic time and looked amazing. We are delighted to be able to pass on the funds we have raised to the Cancer Society as this is an organisation that our Student Council are very keen to support.

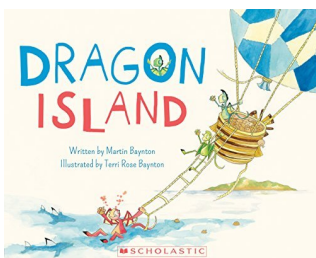


Dates	
<b>TERM 3</b>	
<b>Jul</b>	
17	Term 3 Begins
<b>Aug</b>	
2	Storyline Author Visit
22	Junior Winter Tournament
28	Bee Healthy Dental Van onsite
29	Senior Winter Tournament
30	Student-Led Conferences
31	Student-Led Conferences
<b>Sept</b>	
4	BOT Meeting
11	Māori Language Week
12	Kapiti College - Option Day
22	Term 3 Ends
<b>Oct</b>	
9	Term 4 Begins
<b>Dec</b>	
14	Term 4 Ends

## Touch Rugby

We are looking to get touch rugby back up and running for Term Four. Touch is a popular sport on the Kapiti Coast and is played on weekdays down at Mazengarb Park. For this to happen, we need keen children who want to play each week and keen adults who can coach the teams. There will be a small cost to players and Debby is just finalising this. Please email her if you are interested in your child playing or you are able to help a team. Email: [debby.fruean@kapiti.school.nz](mailto:debby.fruean@kapiti.school.nz)

## Dragon Island



An-Charline, one of our Create and Relate team recently met renowned author, Martin Baynton, who wrote the series, "Jane and the Dragon." Martin generously donated a copy of his book, "Dragon Island" which now sits proudly in our library. Thank you Martin and we know our tamariki will get a lot of enjoyment from your work.

## Pasifika Community Meeting

We will be getting in touch with our Pasifika community very shortly to invite you to our hui on **Wednesday 20 September**. The hui will start at 5:30 with some food and we can look after children on the night so please bring them down. Latu To'omaga will be hosting our meeting. He is well regarded within Pasifika communities. Latu has a teaching background and also works in the health and wellbeing space.

## Building Projects

I mentioned last week that the Ranginui classrooms are nearing completion. We have also had our 'caretaker's cove' and PE shed finished last week. This provides a dedicated space for Super Kev to do his job and some purpose built storage for storing PE equipment and other items.

There is no rest for the wicked and our builders are also replacing the cladding on the hall. You will notice that as this is done, a new door to connect the field with the hall is being installed (along with a new deck).

Once this is finished, our builders will be installing a modern and inclusive bathroom facility and then starting on the refurbishment of our New Entrants classrooms. This last project is an exciting one that will enable KPS students to learn in a future-focussed, hands-on, learning through play environment that will allow tamariki to learn by 'doing'. We are excited to see these projects completed and be ready for 2024.

## Māori Language Week

Next week, we will be celebrating Te Wiki o te Reo Māori (Māori Language Week). If you would like to contribute by coming and sharing some learning with our tamariki, please contact your child's teacher. This could be a waiata, poi, sharing a taonga that you have, teaching a game, anything really. We look forward to hearing from you to support our tamariki.

## Manaakitanga

One of our values which we have been really focusing on this term is Manaakitanga. Manaaki and Manaakitanga is about enhancing the mana of ourselves and our fellow KPS whānau. We have been talking about how we can encourage (aki) each other to do our best and to do the right thing. We are having this strong focus to ensure our tamariki are nurturing and caring for each other. We have seen lots of examples of this over the term. Talk with your tamariki about Manakitnaga, how to show it at school and at home, and why it is an important value for you and our school.



## Student Corner



The Disco - (*Written before the disco*)

The disco will cost a five dollar entry. I am hoping to have some lollies. I already have my outfit. It is going to have black and white and gold. I am going to have black and white pants and I am going to have a black top with a gold jacket and a fake gold chain and a gold cap.

By Ruby

Enjoy your start to next week and I will see you back on Thursday after a very busy few days at the New Zealand Principals Conference. If you have any pressing matters, you will be able to get in touch with Liz Williamson.

**Ngā mihi nui**  
**Brent McDowell**  
**Principal**



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## HELD AT KAPITI PRIMARY SCHOOL:

**Seido Karate Kapiti** Kids Class 7- 12 years Thursday 4.45 - 5.30 Beginners Class 12 years - adult Thursday 6pm - 7pm Kapiti Primary School Hall All welcome, any level of fitness or ability. A great family activity. Karate is a great way to challenge yourself both physically and mentally Call/text Karen: 021 1141958 [www.facebook.com/SeidoKarateKapiti](http://www.facebook.com/SeidoKarateKapiti) First three classes free.

## OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS:



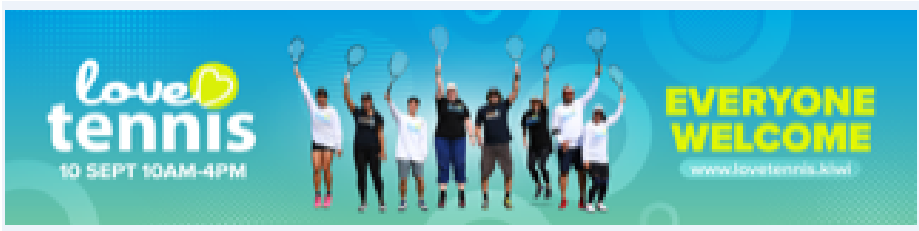
Due to the impact of COVID and staff shortages, unfortunately sKids Kapiti after school care will be closed for the foreseeable future. However, we continue to run a pick-up service from Kapiti School and take the children to sKids Kenakena, John Roger Hall, Te Kupe Road, Paraparaumu Beach. The sKids Kapiti Holiday Programme will continue to run from Kapiti School Hall. We are now taking bookings for Term 4 2023 from sKids

Kenakena. **For more info, please call Jools Da Silva on 021 0254 3249 or email [jools@skids.co.nz](mailto:jools@skids.co.nz)**



We have exciting news! Metlink is introducing new fares, with new concessions for children and young adults from 1 September 2023, bringing the 'half price fares for all' to an end. You can apply for this new concession from 26 August through the [Snapper portal](#).

- Children aged between 5 and 12 will be able to travel for free anytime on Metlink buses, trains and ferries\*
- Free fares for bus and trains are only available to children who have applied for the Under 13 Free Pass and have it loaded on their Green Snapper card. These free fares are NOT accessible to those paying by cash on buses and trains.
- Although the fares are free, children are still required to tag on and tag off the bus using their Green Snapper card.
- 5 to 12-year-olds with a Free Pass on their Green Snapper card cannot tag on other customers.
- You can apply for your Free Pass on your Snapper card at [Snapper.co.nz](http://Snapper.co.nz) or by calling Metlink Contact Centre on 0800 801 700 from 26 August.



Open Days to be held at Paraparaumu Beach Tennis Club, on Sunday 10th September, commencing at 10am-4pm. It's a free 'have a go day' where all ages and stages of players are encouraged to visit the club and give the sport a go.

Club Coach, Leonie Ware will lead fun filled day of tennis, with youngsters given an opportunity to try tennis Hot Shots with mini courts, nets and low compression balls. There's the chance to test skills against a ball machine or simply have a hit. Racquets will be available to use, there will be a free sausage sizzle and club members will be on hand to help get newcomers sorted.

For more information contact: Leonie Ware (Club Coach) 021 169 0603 Paraparaumu Beach Tennis Club Inc. Email: [paraparaumubeachtennis@gmail.com](mailto:paraparaumubeachtennis@gmail.com)

**TE HORO SCHOOL COUNTRY FAIR 2023**

**SWEETS, PLANTS, BRIC A BRAC, CRAFTS, PONY RIDES, FOOD STALLS, BOOKS & TOYS, RAFFLES, BOUNCY CASTLES, CAKE STALLS, GAMES, LIVE MUSIC & MORE!**

**9 SEPTEMBER 2023 GATES OPEN 11AM**

SPONSORED BY **Kelly & Co REALTY**

**10:30 - 1:30 PM**  
**Sunday 10th September**

**OUR LADY OF KĀPITI GALA**

Pony Rides • Bouncy Castles  
Kapa Haka • Food Stalls  
Games • Books • Raffles  
Entertainment and much more!

**PARISH & SCHOOL FUNDRAISER**

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## GIVE IT A GO DAY!

Are you looking for a summer sport? How about Softball? It's FUN and FAST!



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## PLAY SOFTBALL

Join us on Saturday, 16 September, for a day packed with softball excitement! Swing for the fences in our batting cage, enjoy thrilling games, and savour BBQ delights. Boys and girls, this is your chance to experience the thrill of softball firsthand. **Don't miss out on the fun at Te-Atiawa Park, Saturday 16 September 11-2pm.** See you there, ready to hit it out of the park!

For more info or to register go to:

[www.kapitisoftball.co.nz](http://www.kapitisoftball.co.nz) | [info@kapitisoftball.co.nz](mailto:info@kapitisoftball.co.nz)

Registration closes 30/9/23

## KAPITI SOFTBALL

Are you looking for a summer sport? How about Softball? It's FUN and FAST! We are hunting for male and female players to join us - U7s right up to Seniors. If you are a seasoned pro or a beginner, we would love to have you as part of our club! You can register online or join us at our Give it a Go day on 16 September 11-2pm. Register at [www.kapitisoftball.co.nz](http://www.kapitisoftball.co.nz) or if you have any questions, get in touch with Kyla on [juniors@kapitisoftball.co.nz](mailto:juniors@kapitisoftball.co.nz) or 027 244 8756. See you on the diamond!

## Raumati Night Market

Friday 15 Sept, 5-8:30pm

Food trucks, face painting, entertainment, market stalls



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# WAIKANAĒ COMMUNITY FAIR

Sunday  
17 September  
11am - 2pm

Cash  
Event

- Baked Goods
- Barista Coffee
- Pony Rides
- Organic Produce
- Preserves
- Live Music
- Skincare Products
- Hot Food
- Gifts
- Homeopathy
- Local Art



**KAPITI VAULTING CLUB**  
13B NIMMO AVE WEST  
WAIKANAĒ

For More Information Contact:  
Karen - 021 463 128



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**PAEKAKARIKI**  
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SURF LIFEGUARDS

## NIPPER OPEN DAY SUNDAY 15 OCTOBER 1.45PM

Come along and take part in a fun nippers session at Paekākāriki beach to kick off the junior surf season. 7 - 13 years old all welcome. For more info contact [pslnippers@gmail.com](mailto:pslnippers@gmail.com)

**SHINE ON STAGE THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

Following a successful programme in April with Camp Rock The Musical we're thrilled to be back, this time with High School Musical Jr!

The Show is a Week is a fabulous and unique school holiday programme is coming to Kāpiti in October! Show in a Week is open to any child aged 8 years – 14 years with the enthusiasm to perform on stage. No previous experience necessary! REGISTER ONLINE BEFORE 1 SEPTEMBER 2023

Contact Sarah Ferguson on 021 320 623



**Columbus Cafe**  
**Mitre 10 Mega**  
**135 Kapiti Road**  
**Paraparaumu**



A get together for parents or caregivers raising children with any disabilities, health impairments or special needs. A hot drink for each adult supplied by Parent to Parent. You are welcome to order additional food and drink for yourself if you want at your own cost. Come & meet other parents of children with disabilities and special needs for support, friendship and fun. This is a safe space for family and Whānau to share and learn information from each other to help and support us along our journey. You are welcome to ask questions on issues you are struggling with or just join us for a drink in a supportive group.

This parent support group is usually held regularly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in the month.

For more information contact Sue on 027 808 3947 or [suet@parent2parent.org.nz](mailto:suet@parent2parent.org.nz)

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