



Pareawa Banks Avenue School

Living And Learning With **HEART**

NEWSLETTER 34
Te pānui o te kura o
Pareawa Banks
Avenue School
6 November 2024

Bienvenidos, karibu, maligayang pagdating, welkom, haere mai

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

He panui na te Tumuaki

Kia ora e te whānau

We celebrated our fabulous kaiako | teachers on 'Aotearoa Teachers' Day' last Friday. This was an opportunity to acknowledge the mahi | work that they do. Our tamariki | children are fortunate to have such knowledgeable, dedicated, passionate teachers. It is nice to be able to give them a 'shout out' and thank them on behalf of the wider school community for everything they do. There are many famous quotes about teaching, but I think this one by Henry Adams captures the spirit of Aotearoa Teachers' Day, "A teacher affects eternity; they can never tell where their influence stops".



We have published the 2025 school dates on the website; you can look here to see when public holidays and Teacher Only Days are happening. Learning Conversations are scheduled for Wednesday 29 January and school officially opens for instruction on Thursday 30 January. Just a heads up, to help us implement the new Maths curriculum, the Ministry of Education has provided two extra TOD for next year. We have set aside Friday 11 April for our first one; the last day of Term 1 will be Thursday 10 April.

We have begun planning for next year, including some exciting changes to the way we structure our school. Rather than having a junior and a senior school, we will have four teaching teams. Reference to Muringa and Pāhake will be replaced by the block names: Kiwakiwa (NE/Yr 1), Poataniwha (Yr 1/2), Manukura (Yr 3/4), and Kōtukutuku (Yr 5/6 with some Yr 4 due to high numbers in this year level). The library space will be used as a classroom until we are able to access extra classroom space from the MoE (promised once our out of zone enrolment numbers are significantly decreased). This means that some of our Year 5/6 ākonga will be based in the library, as Kōtukutuku 5 and 6. A 'reading culture' is important to us and we are working on a creative solution for how our 'library' will operate while the physical space is unavailable.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mark your calendar

TERM 4

Week 4

Friday 8 November

New Entrants Cohort 8: Visit 1
School Huihuinga/Assembly 2:00pm

Week 5

Tuesday 12 November

East Zone Athletics p/p Day

Wednesday 13 November

New Entrants Cohort 8: Visit 2
Sau la Festival: Pasifika practice & performance 6:30pm Town Hall

Thursday 14 November

Non Uniform Day - \$ donations:
Fundraising for a sun umbrella for our Kaitiaki Garden table

Friday 15 November

Show Day Public Holiday: school closed

Week 6

Monday 18 November

Beach Education: Manakura Rua Waimairi
New Entrant Cohort 8 starting in Kiwakiwa

Wednesday 20 November

Children's University Graduation Town Hall

Thursday 21 November

Board Meeting 6:15pm

Friday 22 November

Beach Education: Manakura Tahī Waimairi
Windsorcare visit: Kōtukutuku Tahī

REMINDER:

Students and parents should enter the school via the gate beside the hall. The glass doors are ONLY for those needing to visit the school office.

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Lastly, you may have noticed our new website. We are also in the process of changing our school management system (SMS) to *Hero*. We are hoping to be up and running with *Hero* from the beginning of 2025, but you may begin to notice some changes. Over the next few weeks, I will be providing you with information about *Hero*. Hopefully, you will find the system more user friendly and enjoy better communication between home and school, whānau friendly finance options, and up-to-date online reporting of your child's progress and achievement. *Hero* also has a fabulous App which integrates seamlessly with Hail, our new website (and soon to be school newsletter) platform. This is an exciting time but we understand that change can be difficult; please contact us if you have questions about any of the changes - we're here to help make the process easy for you.



Hei konā mai
Alli Williams

OTHER NEWS

Sau Ia Pasifika Festival 2024 Our Pasifika group has been busy preparing to participate in the Sau Ia festival on Wednesday 13 November at the Christchurch Town Hall. Sau Ia-Fest '24 - Voyagers takes you on a journey through the Pacific paying homage to the past and what now is the present here in Aotearoa. We have a group of approximately 30 students from Year 1-6 involved in this.

Tickets for this festival are now available to purchase from Ticketek and will likely sell out so get in quick! Our group is performing at 6:30pm with 15 kura (schools). Ticket prices are: Adults \$20, Children (aged 14 and under) \$5. <https://premier.ticketek.co.nz/shows/show.aspx?sh=SAUIAF24>



Recently Banksy Bear had an accident at school so he needed to go for a short trip in Ms Carroll's car to the 'Bear hospital.' He needed some stitches.

He is now back at school and is all healed and ready to go. Banksy will be in the library this week and will be happy to be read to and hugged.



Muringa: JUNIOR MODULE

Muringa Athletics

Last week the children in Muringa participated in their athletics day. They had a great time competing in running, jumping and throwing activities. Thank you to all of our whānau who came out to support them, the children loved seeing you there.





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Te aranga me te ako ki te Ngākau

SPECIAL PARENT MEETING

*You are invited to: a meeting for parents/caregivers
whose children are starting school with us
in Term One 2025.*

This will take place in our school library on
Friday the 6th of December
at 1:30p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Bring your questions and wonderings with you.

Thanks: Tricia Carroll (Deputy principal)

RSVP: Please phone 385 4163
before the 29th of November
to confirm your attendance.

Hauora | Excellence | Aroha | Respect | Togetherness

Our school HEART values are central to all that we do at Pareawa Banks Avenue School. Once a child has received a HEART token they hand it into a collection box in their classroom. Teachers tally and record how many tokens each child earns under each of our values.

- 25 HEART tokens (same value) - name in newsletter.
- 50 HEART tokens (same value) - a wristband.
- Two or more wristbands the same - ice-cream with the principal.

Ultimately children are trying to earn all five wristbands. Once they have done this and then collected an additional fifty tokens they will receive the black HEART wristband, each subsequent time they complete this process they will earn a HEART badge in Bronze, Silver then Gold, these all depict strong school citizenship.

TWENTY FIVE TOKENS

Hauora: Reynan B, Harry L, Immanuel R (*Kiwakiwa*); Devam P, Hunter W, Maddi B, Reef H, Cairo C-P (*Poataniwha*); Raihan A, Ruston A, Anahera B, Fleur G, Galloway J, Finn B, Harley B, Milan S, Jackson A, Khloe S, Savreen D, Willow S, Makani D, Misti G, Amira W, Niko J-H-T, Charlotte H, Florence C, Phoenix K, Astin K, Atlas-Rae R-H, Elijah S, Amelia W-C, Nixon F (*Kōtukutuku*)

Excellence: Charlie W, Anushka G, Aadritha N, Nitha S-N, Onyx T-M, Abigail V, Hudson W, Ahorangi W-K (*Kiwakiwa*)

Aroha: Mankirat B, Anushka G, Onyx T-M, Abigail V, Florence W (*Kiwakiwa*); Iesha F, Loreley R-F, Cairo C-P (*Poataniwha*)

Respect: Rio A, Julian J, Rico J, Aadritha N, Charlie W (*Kiwakiwa*); Marlee H, Libby W, Hunter W, Reef H, Cairo C-P, River M-W, DJ S (*Poataniwha*)

Togetherness: Harry L, Aadritha N, Immanuel R, Nitha S-N, Rhanika S, Rylee-Paige V (*Kiwakiwa*)

FIFTY TOKENS - these children have earned their wristband this week

Hauora: Jonathan T, Kenzie W, Loreley R-F, Elijah W, Kyras B, Charlie D, Kalila F (*Poataniwha*); Matilda H, Ashton W (*Kōtukutuku*)

Excellence: Reynan B (*Kiwakiwa*); Finn J, William P, Marlee H, Dominga M, Arisha K, Rose M (*Poataniwha*)

Aroha: Flossie B, Theresa V, Alicia H (*Poataniwha*)

Respect: Ivy G, Jamerocai L, Immanuel R, Ruhanika S, Onyx T-M (*Kiwakiwa*); Finn J, Gaby T, James C, Dominga M, Loreley R-F, Sadie B, Mohanad E, Indy E, Harry P, Archer H, Finn M (*Poataniwha*); Nirvana M, Rozaey C-P (*Kōtukutuku*)

Togetherness: Flossie B, Sienna K, Harry P, Charlie D, Kalila F, Cairo C-P (*Poataniwha*); Cammie M (*Kōtukutuku*)

BASKETBALL OPPORTUNITY AT THE AVON HUB - Year 5/6

If your Year 5/6 child would like to play basketball on Friday nights, there are spaces for individuals in already established teams in the Eastern Chargers Basketball League. Cost per child \$30 (covers the last 4 weeks of the 6 week competition).

Games will be over a 4 week period starting Friday 22 November, between 4:30pm and 6:00pm at the Avon Hub.

If you are keen for your child to participate, email kate@easterncommunity.co.nz.



You are also welcome to go and have a look this Friday. Milynda is the floor controller and manages the league. She'll be happy to answer any questions.

POSTPONEMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS

Pareawa Banks Avenue School trip or event postponements and or cancellations will only be advised via Skool Loop, Facebook and as viewed on our website:

www.pareawabanksave.school.nz

ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school, for any reason, please let our school office know using one of the following options:

Phone us: 385 4163 → option 3

Text us: 027 422 8032

Notify us: Skool Loop app

Email us: office@pareawabanksave.school.nz

Complete our absence form: www.pareawabanksave.school.nz/absences

If your child arrives at school after 9:00am, they must check in at the office to pick up a late pass. This saves a lot of phone calls for unexplained absences in order to ensure the safety of all our children. Please don't message about absences using our school Facebook.



[Tips for whānau to help support your child's attendance at school!](#)

HEARTBEAT Radio 106.7FM



MONDAY-FRIDAY MORNING LIVE SHOWS

Listen to our students master broadcasting radio. If you live close to the school (within 6 kms) you can tune into 106.7FM on your radio, to listen or listen online on your device from the following link: bit.ly/heartbeatfm

Programmes are broadcasted every day before school from 8:30am-8:55am and music is played 24/7.

