

Newsletter Term 3

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Important Dates

2 – 17 Oct	Term Break
Term 4	
18 October	Term 4 starts
18 – 26 Oct	Bee Healthy Dental Van
21 Oct	Athletics Day
24 Oct	Potty Planters Sale Day
3 Nov	BoT Meeting
17 Nov	Kathryn Berkett parent evening
24 Nov	Year 8 Immunisations
8 Dec	Prize Giving
9 Dec	BoT Meeting
13 Dec	Year 8 Leavers Dinner
15 Dec	Last Day of the term

2022

2 Feb	School starts
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PAUATAHANUI
SCHOOL

Term Dates 2021

Term 1

Wed 3 Feb – Fri 16 April

Term 2

Mon 3 May – Fri 9 July

Term 3

Mon 26 Jul – Fri 1 Oct

Term 4

Mon 18 Oct – Wed 15 Dec

It is likely that 2 teacher only days will be scheduled during the 2021 school year.

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Friday 1st October 2021

Kia ora e te whānau.

Wow! What a term it has been! My first term at Pauatahanui has had it all - whole school swimming, senior swimming sports, power cuts, stranded busses blocking the road, the new bathrooms and deck, the learning centre deck being replaced and water leaks. I have loved every minute and always look forward to coming to school each day. All the staff are amazing and they all do a fantastic job and the students have been so welcoming and I have loved getting to know them better this term.

Term 4 is already shaping as a busy and fun filled term. We get off to a great start with our school athletics day in the first week, which is exciting! Fingers crossed that we are at level 1 and we can make the most of what is usually a very fun event.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable break over the next two weeks and the weather is kind so we can get outside and enjoy the sunshine.

STAFFING

In case you haven't seen the Educa post, Becky Spencer has been appointed as an Assistant Principal at Paremata School beginning in 2022. Becky will be leading and teaching in the Year 7 and 8 syndicate at Paremata School.

This is an exciting move for Becky. She will do a fantastic job and Paremata School is very lucky to have her.

This is sad news for Pauatahanui School as Becky has been an important part of our school community for 15 years. Nearing the end of term 4 we will hold a farewell for Becky to celebrate her time at Pauatahanui School.

BUILDING UPDATE

The deck leading to the Learning Centre has nearly been completed and it looks great. The builders have done an excellent job and it will be good to have this back in use for the start of term 4. From day one next term the fences will be gone and you will be able to access the Learning Centre from the front door.

Ngā mihi

Caine Webster - Principal

FROM THE OFFICE

2022 ENROLMENTS

We would like to hear from all families (living in the school zone or have siblings already attending Pauatahanui School) who have a child turning 5 in 2022 and are planning to attend Pauatahanui School. Please get in touch with Sue in the office to fill in an enrolment form.



YUMMY STICKERS

Please hand in all your yummy stickers by the **29th of October** to the office. This will give the school some cool sports equipment.

Pick up your collection sheet from the office or download here <https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/>

SCHOOL LOOP APP

Just a reminder, that we are using the School Loop app for reporting absentees and our newsletters. You can download this from apple play or google play stores.



POTTY PLANTERS SALES DAY ON THE 24TH OCTOBER

With Lamb & Calf day unfortunately being cancelled this year, the Potty Planters Sales Day will be the biggest fundraising event for the school. The team has made plans, so the event can go ahead if we stay in level 2 but we are still hoping to be in level 1, so we can make it even bigger.

We need as many volunteers in the build-up and on the day as possible.

Please help!

To support potty planters you can

- Volunteer some time to help in the build up to the day
- Volunteer on the day (from 8.00-12.00 or all day 8.00 – 3.00)
- Save sturdy boxes (food delivery ones like hello fresh/my food bag etc are perfect)

- Save the wool insulation from food boxes
- Save 2L milk bottles (clean but not squashed)

All of these can be dropped off once we are in level 1.

Please email Pauatahanui.pottyplanters@gmail.com if you can volunteer.

BEE HEALTHY DENTAL CHECKS CONTINUE AFTER THE HOLIDAYS



FREE Dental Checks!

(Pauatahanui School)

The Bee Healthy Dental Mobile will be parked at your school in term 3 and 4 from 28th September to 26th October 2021. Once seen, your child will be given a completion certificate which will inform you of what happens next.

Please search your child's school bag for one of the following:

- Your child requires no further appointments this year
- Your child needs an appointment at your local Dental hub for further care.

Your local Hub clinic is: **Brandon Dental Clinic**
32 Driver Crescent
Cannons Creek
Porirua

If you have pre-school aged children please call us to arrange an appointment for their annual dental checkup at the Dental Hub.

To book or reschedule your appointment, or update your contact details, please call 0800 TALK TEETH (825 583)



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SPORTS NEWS

School Athletics

We really need your help to run all the events for school athletics. We realise that we do need to be in Level 1 for this to happen but the organisation of the event still needs to happen. Have a look at your calendar and see if you can help out and fill in the attached form.

[Athletics Helpers](#)

Also if your child will be taking the school bus on Athletics Day - can you please email Kate Excell (katee@pauatahanui.school.nz) as we will have a record of these students and will need to supervise them at the end of the day.

WHITIREIA HUB

In Whitireia, we have been writing our own poem inspired by Kobe Bryant's "Dear Favourite Sport". Here are some of our poems.

Dear Dirt Biking

I fell in love with you because of the way you gave me a feeling of adrenaline and freedom. The feeling of being able to go anywhere, the thrill of the wind blowing over me, and getting covered in mud.

Harry (except of second verse)



Dear Dirt Biking

By Cooper B

From the moment i hoped on my first dirt bike which was the 2016 suzuki jr80 / fell in love with you, For your unforgivingness and risk levels as you're always on the edge of hurting yourself like breaking bones spraining your muscles and visiting a and e a lot. But the main thing being how rewarding it feels if you complete some sort of stunt or trick after crashing and getting annoyed.

As a 11 year old my dad came home with a dirtbike and that's where it all started. And so I worked on everything, especially learning how to use a clutch by getting used to when to move your fingers forward and letting go of the clutch without stalling the bike and getting used to super quick movements so I can react to a sudden movement of the bike.

I played through concussions sprained arms and legs. But the most common thing preventing me from riding is the bike having issues. It is the WORST feeling ever because most of the time it isn't your fault.

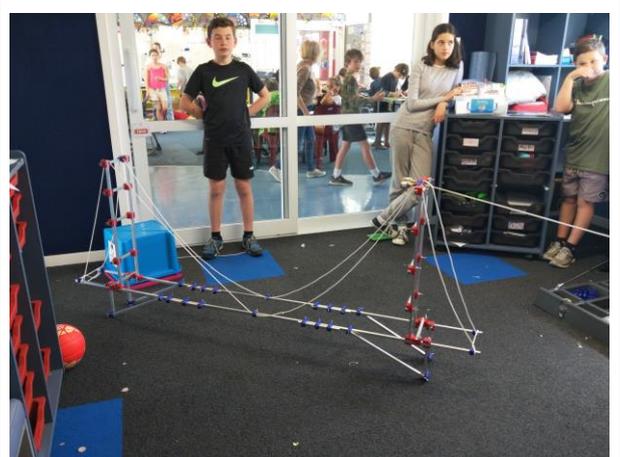
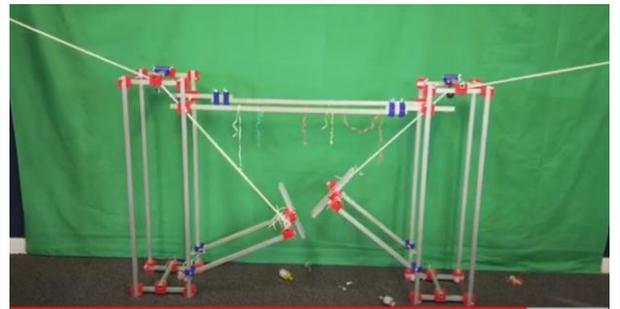
EPro8

A few people from years 5-8 have been selected to do Epro-8 for our school. For those of you who don't know, Epro8 is an engineering and science competition. There are teams of four and they have to build things out of rectangular aluminium rods, red and blue joiners (Red ones connect poles at 90° angles and blue ones can connect at any other angle).

String, axles, tires, and many other things to play around with. Congrats to Paua Engineers (Summer, Therese, Dylan and Liam) Paua team 2 (Connor W, Annabel, Abigail and Logan) Paua Penguins (Lewis, Jack, Riley and Annie) and the Paua Architects (Connor S, Reuben, Harry and Evie), for being chosen to do the Epro8 challenge!

This year the challenge was to create a monument from around the world of our choice using the Epro8 kit, and launch party poppers off the structure. We had a few weeks to create this structure, and then when we were happy we had to take a video of the monument and how we launched the party poppers off it. Then we had to write a report, along with the video and send it off. The teams chose to make - London Bridge, Wellington Cable Car, The Beehive, and the Golden Gate Bridge.

Here are the final constructions that were submitted for judging. The year 5/6 team and year 7/8 who wins will go onto an inter school event next term.



SENIOR CRAFT CLUB

A big shout out to Manuela and Mrs Excel for running the senior craft club during Term 3! The team had a fantastic time making braided key chains, and beads out of oven hardening modelling clay.



TAINUI HUB

FAIRY TALE DRESS-UP DAY

During this term at school, we immersed the children with a variety of different fairy tales, including Billy Goats Gruff, Little Red Riding Hood and Jack and the Beanstalk. We have read big books together, listened to poems and have also written our own fairy tales so today we thought we'd celebrate all our learning with a fairy tale themed day - costumes, craft activities and lots more!





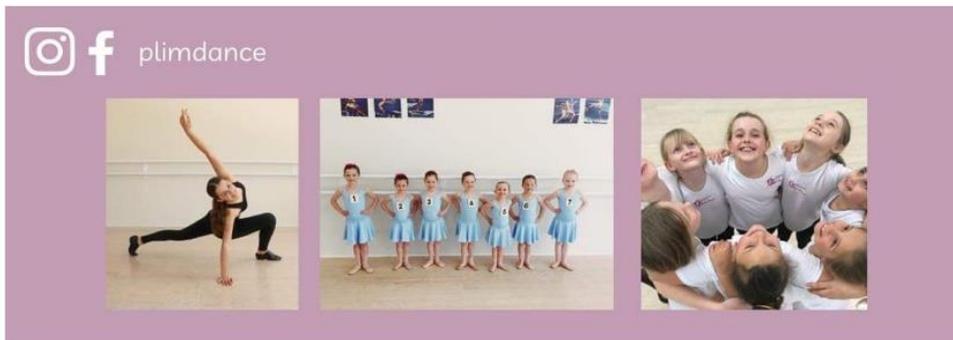
Room 3 and 4 Love Fairy Tales!



Room 3 and 4 have had lots of fun over the last few weeks reading different fairy tales. We have incorporated them into our reading, writing and mathematics. We celebrated by having a fairy tale day, of course this involved us dressing up in fairy tale theme. Look at what we have been up to!



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