



PAPAMOA PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Innovative Learning ~ Growing Success

Kia ora Whānau

It is great to see the children adapting so well to these challenging times. Thank you to our teachers who continue to plan and provide engaging learning activities so that school routines remain as consistent as possible. Also thank you to you, as parents, for supporting our procedures and helping us to remain calm in this ever changing environment.

Library

We are excited to be reopening our library this term. It will now be located in Rooms 5 and 6 with a Literacy Centre in Room 4 (previously our New Entrant rooms). We have been discussing the different uses of the library and would like to expand on how it has traditionally been used. We envisage that it can be used by students who hold an Independent Licence so they can access resources to support their learning throughout the day. We are also encouraging our pods to timetable their visits to work alongside and add to their programmes. Each child will still be able to issue a book each week, but we are exploring ways to maximise the use and function of our library. The lunch time Chillout Zone will also be located here. More details to follow!

Sports coordinator

We are thrilled to welcome Paige Newman, our sports coordinator this year. Paige comes to us with a wealth of experience coaching and supporting young people in sports education. Paige will be engaging with small groups of students during morning tea and lunch, organising sports games and activities. She will also be working with teachers to support their physical education programmes.

Student Teachers

A warm welcome to our student teachers from the University of Waikato: Brooke Martell is in Room 36 with Erin Burningham, Sophie Aindow in Room 21 with Kelly Soutar and Nadia Wihapi-Perkins in Room 29 with Filipe Prieto. We gain a great deal from the partnership with the university and believe our children and teachers benefit from having another teacher to engage with and support their learning.

We thank you for your continued support and, as always, love to hear from you.

Ngā mihi nui

Fay Warnock
Acting Principal

Term Dates 2022

- Term 1** 08 Feb – 13 Apr
- Term 2** 02 May – 08 Jul
- Term 3** 25 Jul – 30 Sep
- Term 4** 17 Oct – 15 Dec



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Board of Trustees - March Whakahou (Update)

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Here is the monthly whakahou (update) in the school newsletter, so that you stay more informed of the progress we are making on the Board of Trustees.

We would like to thank the Acting Principal, Fay Warnock, Deputy Principal, Sara Travers and staff for having a clear plan on how to best educate and support our tamariki (children) during these unprecedented times. Additionally, we would like to acknowledge the work that our new Tumuaki (Principal), Matt Simeon, has done prior to his start on Monday 14 March around this. We also appreciate the support and kindness shown by the students, parents/caregivers and community, to manage covid as best we can together.

These are some of the brief points from the recent February meeting:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

FINANCE REPORT:

Hall Renovation: The hall air conditioning unit is being installed in March. The official opening will be scheduled after this (along with the four new modulars).

Committed Funds: BOT to review how we can best utilise this for the school facilities in the short and long term, once we get further information and quotes.

Roll Numbers 2022: Planning will be done by BOT based on 580 starting roll for Term 1. This will increase in week 5, when the next cohort of new entrants will start. We are estimating around 650 students by year end approximately. The Ministry of Education property plans are based on 660 students. This number reduces our classroom sizes, plus it also allows us to renovate/demolish some of the classrooms without moving students into the hall.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES REPORT:

Library Opening: BOT updated on the plans for the new library that is opening this term, that will be situated in the classrooms at the end of the junior block.

PROPERTY REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE:

Pool: BOT will continue discussions around extending the pool season, once the new Principal has started.

COVID RESPONSE:

Planning & Implementation: BOT were updated with the detailed plans and systems the school has in place for managing positive cases, health and safety, at home learning and communications. Research from other schools around the country that had already gone through the positive case process, gave us further insight on how to best manage this.

STAFFING:

Professional Development: BOT to review policy on contribution to staff's study fees. Discussion was had on the investment in improving our staff's skills, and how that will benefit our students.

As always, the Board welcomes your feedback on our school's governance. Please contact the Board Chairperson on botchairperson@papamoa.school.nz with any queries.

Ngā mihi,
Sarah Webb.
Board of Trustees Chairperson

USEFUL INFORMATION

SCHOOL TIMETABLE

School Starts – 8:40am

Morning Interval – 10:30am

Lunch – 12:40pm

School Finishes – 2:40pm

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ABSENTEE INFORMATION

Please contact the office if your child is going to be absent from school on :

Phone: 542 3261 (absentee message service)

or

Email: papamoaprimary@papamoaschool.nz

or

Website:

http://www.papamoaschool.nz/report_an_absentee

Please include your child's name, room and reason for absence.

If your child arrives to school after 8.40am they are late. Please ensure they sign in at the office before going to class. Thank you.

As part of our School-Links communication system, an automated text message will go out to all unexplained absences. This number is a reply once only.

LUNCH ORDERS

You can now order hot dogs, sushi, macaroni cheese, filled rolls, salads, pitas and more through the **School Shop** by [clicking here!](#) Just one login for every school payment. Simple and easy!

You can order (or cancel) **any time before 9am** on the day or schedule in advance. Lunch will be delivered to the school in time for lunch.

[Click here](#) to view both menus.

Get started now... [Click here](#) or go to www.mykindo.co.nz and click 'create account'.

Help? Visit support.mykindo.co.nz or tel. 0800 EZLUNCH (0800 395 8624) week days 8am-4pm.

CHANGE OF DETAILS

It would greatly assist us if you could please advise the office if you have any changes of address, phone numbers or emergency caregiver details.

In the event of an emergency, sickness or injury we need to be able to contact someone who can collect your child.

MEDICATIONS

All students are required to hand in prescribed medications to the office.

Office staff will only administer medicines to students once a form has been completed and signed by a parent or caregiver.