



Papakura Normal School

Important Dates	
9 Mar	Y7&8 Swimming Sports
10 Mar	PTG Meeting
12 Mar	Y3&4 Swimming Sports
16 Mar	Y5&6 Swimming Sports

Dear Parents

Thank you to parents who attended "Meet the Teacher" on Tuesday night. It was a wonderful turnout and greatly appreciated by staff. If you do want to speak to your child's teacher individually, please make an appointment to do so.

Swimming

Congratulations to our Year 5 & 6 swimming team who were second overall at the Year 5 & 6 interschool event yesterday. Our thanks to the parents who were so supportive of our children in the squad. Thank you also to the children who willingly trained before school and at lunchtime, and to our amazing Mrs Mason whose dedication and commitment was, as always, outstanding. Our children, are not in the main, club swimmers, but under Mrs Mason's guidance they more than compete against the best! A big thank you to Mrs McAllister who assisted Mrs Mason whenever possible. Year 7 & 8 swimming sports will be held on Monday 9th March at Massey Park from 9.45am - 12.00 midday. Children will be walking to and from the pool. Year 5 & 6 swimming sports will be on Monday 16th March at the same time. Parent support is welcome at both.

Night Relays

The hotly contested night swimming relays are being held tonight at Massey Park. The Year 5 & 6 at 6.30pm and the Year 7 & 8 at 7.15pm. Parent support welcome.

Parent Teacher Group Meeting
Tuesday 10th March
at 7.00pm in the Staffroom.
New members would be most welcome.

Tech Fees

A reminder that Term 1 Technology Fees of \$30.00 are now due. The children have now been at technology for 5 weeks and many fees are still outstanding. Letters will be sent to parents next week.

School Leaders

School leaders were announced at Assembly today. Congratulations to Daniel Haretuku (Head boy), Rongomai Marshall (Head girl), Samantha Taylor, Te Kahu Hutchinson, Ashleigh Rennie, Max Crone and Lasini Ma'u (School Leaders). Two more may be added at a later date.

Cycle Safety Carnival

Papakura is having a Cycle Safety Carnival on 17 March from 3.00pm to 6.00pm for children aged 5 to 13 at Massey Park. Entry is free. Adults are requested to attend and support children. Lots of spot prizes!

Learn a Musical Instrument!

Papakura Music School offers quality tuition for students up to year 8. They currently have spaces available for clarinet, flute, violin, trumpet, vocal & recorder students. Very limited places may be available for other instruments, please enquire. Drop in and see them at Mansell Senior School on Saturday Morning 8am - 12pm (during term time) or for more information contact Scott McDowall 021 950 298 or scottmcdowall@gmail.com

Year 8 Girls

Public Health Nurses are visiting next Tuesday afternoon to talk to our Year 8 girls about the cervical cancer immunizations.

Lost Property

All of our lost property is now stored in Room 27 which will, we hope, be more accessible for parents. We have a large amount of lost property already, much of it unnamed. Naming your child's clothing is important when it comes to tracking it down.

Kiwi Kwiz

The winner of the Kiwi Kwiz is Sophie McCondach of Room 16. The "Kumara" capital of N.Z. is Dargaville. Well done Sophie!

Ardmore Marist Rugby & Sports Club INC

Registrations are being taken on Thursday 5th & 12th March 5.30 - 7.30PM. Birth certificate or passport is required for new members. \$50 per person or \$80 per family. Inquiries to Kelly Flavell at admin@ardmoremarist.co.nz or mob: 021 211 8107

Junior Swimming

Year 1 & 2 Swimming Demonstrations

Because of the shortened swimming season this year due to pool problems, Year 1 and 2 classes are inviting parents to visit their class swimming lesson. Invitations will be sent home from each class.

Year 3 & 4 Swimming Sports

Thursday 12th March
9.15 - 11.30am
 Swimming Sports for Year 3 & 4 children will be held in our school swimming pool. Parents and whanau most welcome.

Kiwi Kwiz

What caused the death of at least 8,000 New Zealanders in 1918?

- A. World War 1 B. Influenza Epidemic C. Typhoid D. A flood

Answer: Name: Room: