



# Papakura Normal School

### Important Dates

19 Mar	Photolife Class Photos
23 Mar	"Friends of the School" meeting
24 Mar	Y5 & 6 Field Day Y3 & 4 Swimming Sports
25 Mar	Y7 & 8 Field Day
26 Mar	Mufti Day Year 1 to 4
1 Apr	Term 1 ends

Dear Parents,

On Tuesday March 23rd we will be holding our first Friends of the School meeting; please see the flyer coming home with this newsletter. It would be great to see a large number of parents there. If you require transport, please contact Raewyn or Dianne in the school office and we will organize for this to happen. There will be a crèche, which the committee will organize.

### Field Days

The North Counties field day for Year 5 and 6 will be held next Wednesday the 24th March and the Year 7 and 8 field day is on Thursday 25th March.

### Mufti Day

This will be held next Friday for Year 1 to 4 children to raise money for the Year 3 and 4 trip to the museum next term. A mufti day to raise money for the Year 1 and 2 trip will be held next term.

### Swimming Year 3 & 4

As these swimming sports were cancelled due to poor weather, we will reschedule them for next Wednesday 24th March from 11.00am to 2.00pm.

### Term Ends

Term 1 will end on Thursday April 1st at 3.00pm. It will begin again on Monday April the 19th at 9.00am. There is no ribbon assembly at the end of this term as Year 7 and 8 children are at camp.

### BOT Elections

A reminder that nomination forms are available from the school office. Remember that details about the election are on our school website [www.papnormalschool](http://www.papnormalschool)

### Buddy Walk

Auckland Down Syndrome Association is organising their 5<sup>th</sup> annual Buddy Walk at Tahaki Reserve, 250 Mt Eden Road, Mt. Eden on Sunday 21 March. Registration opens at 9.00am, walk begins at 10.00am. Buddy Walk is a 3.5 km walk followed by a carnival with clowns, rides, spot prizes, silent auction, raffles, celebrities, stalls, music, entertainment and more. For more information, please call Christel van Baalen on 636 0351 or 021 1362537 or go to their website [www.buddywalknz.org](http://www.buddywalknz.org).

### SPCA Experience

The SPCA is running a school holiday programme on 7th, 12th and 14th April for children who love animals. Cost is \$30.00 per session. For more information phone Kathy 256 7300 Ext 827.

### Photolife

Class photos will be taken tomorrow Friday, March 19th. These are class photos only, there will not be individual photos taken. The cost is \$12.00 for a 25 x 20cm photo or \$15 for a 32 x 25cm photo. Please return your order, together with the money, in the envelope previously provided.

### Stardome Observatory

Stardome are running holiday sessions again in the school holidays from April 6th to 9th and April 12th to 16th, 10.00am to 11.30am and 1.00pm to 2.10pm daily. Cost is \$10.00 per child and \$7.00 per adult. For more information phone 624 1246 or check out their website at [www.stardome.org.nz](http://www.stardome.org.nz)



### Interschool Swimming Relays

Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 swimming squad who were 2nd at the inter-school relays last Thursday night in the rain. Both teams competed well but our top team of Myia Hetaraka, Kaiden Morunga, Ted Kauri and Sharnia-Rose Blanchard were second to Strathallan, who are a team made up of representative swimmers. They swam a fantastic race on the night.

### Kiwi Kwiz

The winner of our Kiwi Kwiz is Joanna Rose of Room 12. The average woman says 7,000 words a day. Well done Joanna Rose!

### School Leaders

Congratulations to Ardyn Graham and Robert Moon who have received their School Leaders badges at assembly this morning.

### Kiwi Kwiz

How many words a day does the average man say?

- A. 600                                      B. 7,000                                      C. 2,000                                      D. 10,000

Name: ..... Room: ..... Answer:.....