

Community Notices

Clean Fill Available

The intersection near the school is being redesigned and the team working on the project have offered clean fill. If you are interested please contact Les Tane, the Foreman for more information.

Summer Hockey

Summer hockey registrations close on Thursday night. Please call Julianne ASAP on 8398654 if your child wants to play.

Little Garden Pots



If anyone has any unwanted New World Little Garden pots they will be gratefully accepted by the Kindy for the kids to plant in the veggie garden. Please leave in the porch at Kindy.



Patoka School Newsletter

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Welcome

Dear Parents,

I am so happy to write to you this week after being with the team for three wonderful days! It is an absolute pleasure to join the school community and I am very impressed by how I find the school operating! The staff, the students, many parents and the Board have warmly welcomed me. I have never seen a school with a more beautiful playground and on my first duty yesterday was amazed at all the opportunities the children have to play in so many ways.

I look forward to meeting more of you soon. If you would like to make contact with me to have a chat about any aspect of the school, please call the office or email me principal@patoka.school.nz and we can set up a time.

I would like to introduce you to six new students who have joined us recently. We are thrilled to welcome them to our school family. Unfortunately the Wainohu family missed my photo shoot today!

Room 1
Kikira Salanoa
Harlee Wainohu

Room 2
Kyle Leitch
Angel-lee Wainohu

Room 3
Reubee Wainohu
Robert Wainohu



As the term unfolds there are many exciting events to look forward to, with I believe our highlight being the production, Treasure Island. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the children to shine on stage and enjoy the thrills of the dramatic arts. We will be sending more updates and rehearsals began yesterday!

Kind regards

Rachel Huggins



Patoka School

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Quote of the Week

Every new friend is a new adventure.... The start of more memories.

Patrick Lindsay

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Trustworthiness T.R.U.E - be true to yourself Respect Unity Excellence Enthusiasm

Meeanee 7s

The **MEEANEE 7s** are upon us again. This is a wonderful day out and one that our children always enjoy. Please read the details below carefully.

Date: Wednesday 26th October
 Venue: Meeanee School, 6 Gavin Black St, Meeanee, Napier 4112

Directions: Easiest way to get to Meeanee School is to head straight down Meeanee Rd and then turn right at Meeanee Hall.

9:40 Children Arrive no later than

10:00 Events begin

1:30-2 Day finishes



Yr 1-4 play in school teams (8-9 chn per team is good to allow for rolling subs or absences due to illness). These will be set at school. Yr 5-8 are in mixed teams which are put together on the day. NBHS are once again willing to provide refs for soccer and rippa rugby.

For the junior section the emphasis is on giving the younger children the chance to step up and lead a team. The day is all about engaging in sport and having some fun.

Food will be on sale - The BBQ will be running along with cake and slices.

All children play several games of rippa, soccer **and** netball. There are no breaks in the draw. Individual teams can take a lunch or snack break when they have a space in the draw.

We need your help. If you are able to assist in supervising a team on the day please let us know. This is mainly for our younger teams.

This is a whole school event therefore we need all children to attend the day as they have been assigned to teams.

Buses will not be running on Wednesday. Transport arrangements need to be made by parents. Please try to contact other parents if you require a lift.



News from Room 1

Room 1 are getting ready to jump into Term 4! It will be a pirate-filled, spring-loaded term, with Halloween and Christmas thrown in the mix too. We are excited to have new students join our busy, not-so-little-anymore classroom and we hope they enjoy Patoka School as much as we do.



News from Room 2

This week the children are exploring their learning through the theme of Pirates as preparation for our production. Our reading, writing and maths are exploring different aspects of this exciting theme! For weeks 1 and 2 Mrs Dawson will be teaching the children, and from Week 3 onwards Mrs Huggins will teach the class on Mondays and Tuesdays, and Mrs Dawson on Wednesday through to Friday of each week.

Outstanding Room 3 Students

A big thank you to Charlotte, Eva and Meg for being such wonderful representatives of our school at the T.A.C.S cross country event in Term 3. Charlotte finished in 5th place for Year 8s; Eva 6th place for Year 7s; and Meg unfortunately had to retire, injured, while leading her Year 7 race. Thank you also to another great support crew of parents

Drum Lessons



Mr Bidwell is offering a limited number of places for drum lessons. Lessons are available after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students would need to make arrangements for transport home. Contact Mr B for information.

Calendar Art

The children have once again been producing some wonderful pieces for their Calendar Art this year. These make great Christmas presents with cards, diaries, mouse mats and sketch pads also available.

The flyer attached to the newsletter has all the information required including prices. Please ensure you have your order to school by **20th October**.

Relief Cleaner Wanted

Relief cleaner wanted for School and Kindy.

17.5 hours per week combined. This is on a casual basis as needed for the remainder of Term 4 with the intention of it becoming full time in 2017.

Please call Kate Cracknell on 8395807.



Up and Coming Events

Meeanee 7s	Wednesday 25th October
BOT Meeting	Wednesday 2nd November