

UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
Wednesday 5th	Gardening Club - first get together for 2025
Thursday 6th	Waitangi Day - school closed
Friday 7th	TEACHER ONLY DAY - SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED
Sunday 9th	Paerata Rise Market
Thursday 13th	First Technology lesson for Years 7 & 8 at Rosehill - don't forget your shoes!
Friday 14th	Lego Club - first get together for 2025
	First whole school assembly hosted by Huawai
Thursday 20th	Community Open Evening
Monday 24th	Years 7 & 8 Immunisation Talks
Tuesday 25th	Board of Trustees meeting - 6pm in the Board Room
Thursday 27th	Cohort Visit #1
	FotS meeting - 3pm in the Boardroom
<b>MARCH</b>	
Tuesday 4th	Cohort Visit #2
Monday 10th	Cohort start date



**PUKEKOHE**  
Association Football Club Inc

Hi Parents & Caregivers

Fantails & Kickin it registrations are now open for girls ages 5 to 17!  
This term we have included 5 & 6 year old girls, so if you have a 5 year old that thought she was missing out, she can now come along and be part of the fun :)

The programme has been super popular since we began last year - Fantails (aged 5 to 12) and Kickin it (aged 13 to 17) provide a fun and safe space for girls to hone their football skills and have a great time.

Term 1 starts on 12 February 2025 with Yvette and her team of coaches.

For more information, and for registering, please follow the links below.  
<https://www.pukekoheafc.com/fantails/>  
<https://www.pukekoheafc.com/kickinit/>

Hope to see you soon

Suzi



**PUKEKOHE**  
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Hi Players, Parents, Caregivers

For all Junior & Youth players 9th Grade through to 17th Grade.

All the details for our February musters are in the attached documents:

- Muster Schedule
- Muster FAQs and information

If you have some football knowledge and are able to assist with musters in some way, please get in touch and I will gladly add you to my volunteer list.

We would also love volunteers to get on board and have a kick around with the kids on our Open Training nights Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th February.

See you all soon!

Suzanne  
Club Administrator



**Paerata School Newsletter**

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30th January 2025  
Greetings, Haai, Bula, Kumusta, Namaste, Anyoung haseyo, Asalaam alaikum, Nĭn hăo, Kia ora koutou, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Hallo daar, Kia orana - to parents and our community.

I would like to welcome the 12 new families we have had join our school. While our school has an open door policy, and you are welcome to come in to talk to us; please be aware that our teachers are busy before school preparing for the day ahead. If you would like to set up a time to talk to your child's teacher, please email the office and we can forward your email on.

We will be holding our annual **Community Open Evening** again this year. This has been set for Thursday, 20th of February at 5pm. This event is a great opportunity to say hello to your child's teacher/s and have a look at their classroom, especially if they moved hubs this year. I look forward to catching up with as many of you as possible at this event.

**Term 4 2024 Rangatiratanga and RISE Awards**

Unfortunately our final 2024 newsletter was full and rather than squeezing in our acknowledgement of the following winners we decided to honour them properly by including them in our first 2025 newsletter.

**Junior Rangatiratanga Award winner - Ethan**

Ethan has progressed in many wonderful ways this year. He has come out of his shell and is forming relationships with other children. Ethan overcomes challenges to produce quality work and is a quiet achiever. He listens to both teachers and peers, avoids distraction and perseveres in areas across the curriculum. He is a helpful, kind and gentle soul who deserves recognition for the amazing efforts he has made. We are very proud of him.



**Senior Rangatiratanga Award winner - Alexis**

Alexis consistently demonstrates our RISE values, both inside and outside of her hub. She is dedicated and gives her best effort in everything she undertakes, setting a high standard for herself. Alexis is always ready to lend a hand, showing genuine care.

**Junior RISE Award winner - Hemi**

Hemi is a force of energy and enthusiasm in Kākano Reception! He is bursting with positivity, viewing every situation in a positive light with a view to getting the best from each opportunity. Hemi shows empathy and care for all those lucky enough to cross his path. He is confident yet humble, thoughtful but adventurous. Hemi's attitude to life is refreshing and motivating.



**Junior RISE Award winner - Ameliyah**

Ameliyah consistently shows our RISE values in all areas of school life. She is a kind, respectful and caring part of Mātātupu hub, who loves to help out where she can. Ameliyah is a conscientious, hard worker and gives her best towards all learning areas. She completes set tasks to a very high standard.

**Senior RISE Award winner - Ryder**

Ryder has shown great personal growth this year. He is developing a more mature attitude towards his learning and is trying hard to demonstrate our RISE values consistently.

Ngā mihi, Luke Thompson, Principal

## A FEW REMINDERS—HANDY EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT NEW TO PAERATA SCHOOL!

### ABSENCES

Please either email ([office@paerata.school.nz](mailto:office@paerata.school.nz)) phone (238 7050) or send a notification via the HERO app to inform us of your child's absence. When replying to the HERO absence notification, please put the reason your child is absent eg. On holiday, sick, doctors appointment. This way we can ensure your child is marked with the correct code. With the new Ministry of Education requirements around attendance, it is vital that your child is marked with the correct code.

### ARRIVING LATE

If your child arrives after 8:50am, please ensure they come to the office so we can mark them as present. Unless students are enrolled in the KAS programme, they should not be on the school grounds before 8:15am. The classrooms open at 8:20am.

### CARPARK AND PICK-UP

Car parks may be used for school drop-offs or after school pick-ups. Parents must exit their vehicle and meet the child/ren on the footpath, and walk students back to their vehicle. No student is to walk into the carpark unaccompanied. Children are excited to see their parents in the afternoon and we would hate to see a child hurt by running through the carpark. The full transport plan can be viewed on our website under the Parents Tab.

### DOGS

Dogs are an important part of life for many Paerata School families, and are often included in activities such as walking children to and from school. The school appreciates this inclusion and values the place the dog has within a family. However, we also acknowledge that some people can find contact with dogs stressful, and even frightening. Therefore, we ask that you do not bring your dog into the school grounds during the hours of 8am - 3pm Monday - Friday during term time, unless they are a disability dog.

### END OF THE DAY

If you are waiting for your child after school, please wait under the canopy or on the tiered seating area. The end of the day is a busy time in class and we have found that if students see their parents/caregivers, they are distracted from what is going on in class! If you are running late to collect your child, we would appreciate a quick phone call. This way we can settle them into the library until you arrive.

### HATS

During terms 1 & 4, all students must wear a school hat during break times while playing outside. Any students without a school hat can play under the canopy or spend time in the library.

### HOUSE SPORTS

Generally these are held every second week on a Friday afternoon. Students do not have to wear their school polo shirt on these days but are encouraged to wear their house colour shirt. We will let you know in the newsletter when the house sports are taking place. Occasionally the sports are events that parents may be able to watch, if this is the case we will endeavour to let you know.

### LUNCHESES

We are fortunate enough to be part of the Lunches in School Programme. **Unfortunately, the new providers are having a few teething problems. We are asking you to ensure your child comes to school with lunch until this issue has been resolved, and we will inform you via HERO and the school newsletter when it has.** If your child has or has developed any special dietary requirements or you no longer want your child to receive a school lunch, please let Mr Thompson know - [l.thompson@paerata.school.nz](mailto:l.thompson@paerata.school.nz). We do not like to see food go to waste.

### PERSONAL SPORTS EQUIPMENT AND TOYS

We ask that students do not bring their personal sports gear or toys to school. We have a great supply of sports equipment for students to use and plenty of activities available to students during break times.

### REPORTING TO THE OFFICE DURING SCHOOL HOURS

If you need to come onto the school grounds during school hours, please report to the office first. This is a Health and Safety requirement.

### SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB

Twice a term we send home the Scholastic Bookclub order form. You are welcome to place an order directly through their website, or you can send your order back to the school office, and we will place it for you. Keep an eye out in the newsletter for the cut off date.

### SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

Whānau are most welcome to come along to our whole school assemblies. These are generally held every fortnight at 2:15 in the School Gym. We will endeavour to put who is hosting the next assembly in the school newsletter. Our first assembly for the year will be on the 14th of February. Those students who were awarded prizes at the end of last year but were unable to attend our prize giving in December, will be presented with their awards at the first assembly.

### SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Our weekly school newsletter usually goes home on Thursdays. Please keep an eye out for it, and read it, as it is the best way of keeping informed of all upcoming events at school. If you aren't already and would like to receive a copy via email, please email me at [office@paerata.school.nz](mailto:office@paerata.school.nz) and I can add you to our mailing list. We also post the newsletter on HERO.

### STATIONERY

Copies of the stationery lists are available on our website, or we are happy to send a copy home - just give us a call or email and let us know who you need a list for. Stationery packs can be purchased directly from Qizzle (these may take a few days to arrive from Christchurch) <https://schoolpacks.co.nz/paerata-school/> If you are purchasing stationery locally and having trouble finding items, please see Lusia or myself in the office as we do stock most stationery items.

### STUDENT PHONES & SMART WATCHES

Paerata School does not allow students to have mobile phones or smart watches that are mobile capable at school. If a student brings either of these devices to school, it must be handed into the office before school. If a student is observed with a phone or mobile capable smart watch, they will be asked to take it to the office. If possible, students should lock their phones before handing them to staff. These devices may not be taken on school trips or events.

### UNIFORMS

Please ensure all clothing is clearly named, especially hats, so they can be easily returned. Our uniform can be purchased online from Argyle <https://argyleonline.co.nz/shop/auckland/paerata-school>. Or you are welcome to order items through the school office. We endeavour to keep a supply of every size polo shirt, jumper and hat in stock. Please be aware that we do not have eftpos so you will need to pay with either cash or via internet banking. If you choose to purchase a school house shirt, you can buy them through the school office.

A reminder that we are happy for students to wear any type of black shorts/skirts/pants to school and that you are under no obligation to purchase these items from Argyle.

If you have any questions, feel free to either email myself ([office@paerata.school.nz](mailto:office@paerata.school.nz)), phone the school or pop into the office and talk to Lusia or I - we are here to help. The office is open from 8:30 - 3:30 but I am generally here by 8am, so feel free to call in anytime after that.

Have a great year.  
Nikki Shea  
Office Administrator