

Ss Peter & Paul School

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

from the Principal

I hope you all had a most enjoyable Queen's Birthday long weekend. For those who chose to take the opportunity to travel outside the region and visit family and friends for the first time in many weeks, I hope it all went very smoothly.

In line with health requirements across New Zealand, we continue to operate under Level 2 conditions with a focus on:

- Hygiene
- Keeping unwell students and staff at home
- Contact tracing

We thank you enormously for your support with the contact tracing requirements which has meant for a very smooth process overall. You may, like us, be noticing a number of benefits from the new way of doing things. The teachers talk about how children are enjoying the added responsibility of collecting their siblings or the sense of independence that meeting at an organised place brings. Parents will also be pleased to know of the settled atmosphere across the school.

Communication

During the time of distance learning it was essential for teachers to be able to contact their students and parents via email and the classroom emails were created to enable this to happen. I appreciate that many parents enjoyed this opportunity to be in constant email contact with teachers.

However, now that teachers have their classes back in front of them they do not have the time to be checking and responding to emails. Teachers arrive at school in the morning and their time and energy is all about their children who start arriving in the room as early as 8.15am with a smile, all ready for a chat. After school, teachers' time is spent predominantly on working collaboratively together to design learning programmes, assessment activities and professional learning.

If you do want to email a teacher the best option is to send it via Christine Bartlett at <u>deputyprincipal@stpeterpaul.school.nz</u> Christine does not have a class of her own and therefore is able to check her emails regularly during the day. She will forward any emails to teachers and let them know to look out for them.

Please ring the school office for any general messages or inquiries. If you want a teacher to ring you or you want to make an appointment to see a teacher, please do this through the office as well.

Reporting to parents

The learning conference bookings for next week are filling up which is really good to see. We are always hopeful of a 100 percent turn out and encourage you to come along and participate in your child's learning journey with us. It would be most appreciated if the form that was sent home with each child to capture your insights and comments about distance learning could be returned to school by the end of this week. We have included a copy with today's newsletter just in case you need it.

Parents will also receive an interim progress written report at the end of this term. The period of distance learning has meant we have to adapt the way we do this reporting. It will provide summary statements of progress and make links to the learning conference conversations. Please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>principal@stpeterpaul.school.nz</u> if you have any comments or questions as we continue our Level 2 journey together.

Following the Footsteps of Jesus

Tuesday 2 June 2020

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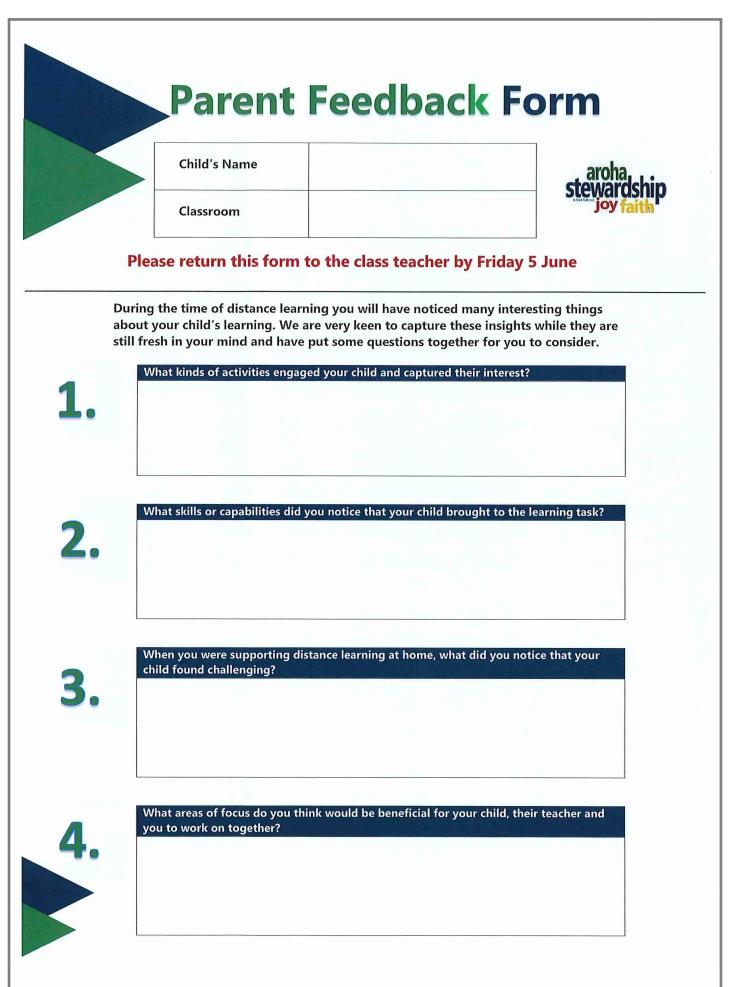






Please remember to return your feedback form by Friday 5 June.

You can email to deputyprincipal@stpeterpaul.school.nz or return it to your child/s class teacher. Thank you



SCHOOL UPDATES

ðlunchonline

Please remember to register your child/ren through Lunchonline, see instructions on the flyer. Lunches start Thursday 4 June.

If you have any questions please contact Lunchonline directly. Information is also on our website.

Note: The school cannot take any orders, this must be completed online.

SCHOLASTIC

Your child brought home 'issue 3', of the scholastics brochure. Orders are to be placed online at **mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz** using LOOP (Linked Online Ordering and Payment for Parents).

Orders cannot be made through the school

When ordering, to find our school you will need to enter the school's postcode '5010' and/or our school's name 'St Peter and Paul School'. All online orders will be sent directly to the school and given to your child.

Closes 4pm Friday 19 June

BLOOMFIELD TERRACE PARKING

WOW

Sushi & Subway delivered to Ss Peter & Paul School weekly

Sushi first delivery Thurs 4th June Subway first delivery Fri 5th June !!

It's simple; all you need to do is register at www.lunchonline.co.nz and follow 4 easy steps to get started

Register an account

- 2 Add member/s including your child's name, school and classroom
- 3 Make a payment so you have funds in your account before you order
- 4 Select your lunch and place an order



Learning Conferences

Remember to book your child/s Learning Conference this week, they close off on Friday 5 June

https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?z=UNGijk

Code: s39p5

For those who use this option you will see we have managed to educate most people about the school drop off and pick up zone which has made the process a lot speedier for many of you.

This is an option we hope you will continue to use once we move levels as it is convenient.

Just be aware you do need to stay in your car when using these parks between the times specified on the sign.

Sports

NETBALL

Parents of Year 5,6,7 and 8 have received an update re the start of the season hopefully on June 20 and June 22. Year 3,4 Netball is still on hold due to distancing requirements.

SWIMMING

Our selection event will also operate as one with small numbers and limited attendance with a focus on the Zone event in Term 3. We are also waiting to get a date for this.

CROSS COUNTRY

Our Zone, Interzone and Regionals have been transferred to Term 3.

We are planning to hold a school selection process this term which will not involve all students and once we have clarification around such events with contact tracing etc required will let parents know of dates and times.



Kowhai would like to thank everyone for donating all of your unwanted recycling. We have put it to good use by building a tower to trap Rapunzel Mwahahaha! (But we aren't too evil, we've engineered an escape plan for her too!)



Pohutukawa students continue to expand the garden spaces in our courtyard area. Their gardens bring colour and vibrancy to a restful space for all children to enjoy.







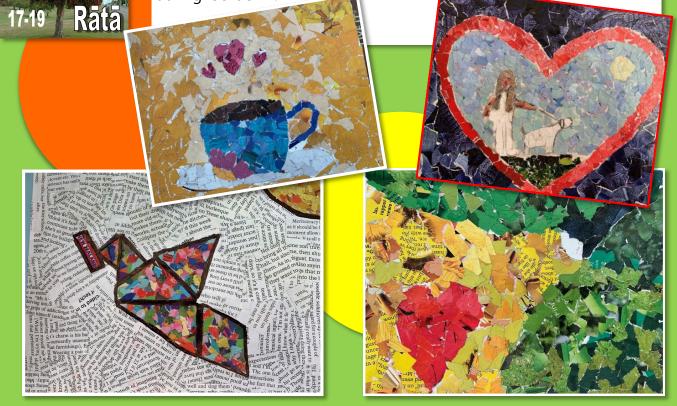
The students and teachers in the Pohutukawa area have celebrated being back together again. Each student and teacher created an emoji that represented how they felt about being back at school after lockdown. The students also spent time reflecting on the things in their life that they are grateful for by writing and drawing on their bubble chart.







In Rata we looked at what love looked like during lockdown. We talked about family, connecting with friends, spending time doing things they loved. Room 19 then created a piece of mosaic art to represent the ways we showed love, or the things we did that we loved during lockdown.





In a previous newsletter the Board informed the community that a parent vacancy had occurred and the decision made to fill this position through the process of selection.

We are pleased to announce that Mike Eglington has agreed to join the Board. Mike is a previous student of the school and has a son in the Kowhai Area.

