

NEWSLETTER WEEK 8 - TERM FOUR 2011

Dates to Remember:

Monday 12 December	- Year 8 Leavers Dinner
Tuesday 13 December	- Board of Trustees Meeting - 6:00pm.
Wednesday 14 December	- Senior Voucher Trip
Friday 16 December	- End of Term 4 & Final Assembly at Tararua College hall - 1:30 pm
Wednesday 1 February	- Term 1 2012 starts

We have reached the final week of school for 2011. Everyone is tired but in good heart. The past week was an absolute highlight as we held our Market Day for PrEP. It was very satisfying to see the children in action as they used their hard earned money to buy the various items. We saw students at their very best. Working, helping others, making difficult decisions and also showing patience and respect for other shoppers. There were some very cautious spenders and they will have opportunity to spend their savings on Tuesday as they will have opted to take in a movie, have water activities or play sports at the stadium. We also had fabulous children at the junior treat afternoon. All the juniors were able to take part. The fun hour afterschool was a reward for a great year. Thank you to the parents and teachers for making it a very enjoyable event. That night the year three and four children had the opportunity for a sleep over at school. Again it was a very enjoyable event and once again we had a really great team of parents and teachers there to support and care for them. On Friday we had many of the adults who had helped us out during the year come in for a thank you cup of tea and a bite to eat. The Hauora team helped with food and made the sandwiches and the school councillors were the hosts and hostesses. On Friday night the PSCA ran another very successful disco. Thank you very much to Steven Van Beek for providing the sounds and lights. On Sunday Karlene Thomson led the 'Christmas in the Park' choir. They performed very well. Thank you to parents for bringing them in and to the teachers and parents who supported the group. This week we have the Year 8 Leavers Dinner and also the senior voucher trip. 83 students have the right to participate which would be a record. Options will be held on Monday and Wednesday and then we finish the year off with the final assembly which starts at 1:30pm in the Tararua College Hall. Children will have their bags and will be able to go home with their parents if you are there. Otherwise they will return to school and go home as usual at 3:00pm. On that Friday we will let children know which class they will be in next year and give them their stationery costs for 2012. Remember that if they bring the money along in an envelope on the first day they will be given their stationery. It is bought through Pahiatua Takenote and is very competitive. It saves being dragged into a stationery shop where you will be required to buy many unnecessary extra items! We have placed the students into the classes which we feel they will perform best in. We have done our best not to split friends unless we feel they do not work well together. If there are any major concerns please let me know and we can discuss the situation but no promises. The lost property was put out last week and some was claimed but there is still too much unclaimed. It will be put out again later this week. I have washed a FULL washing machine load of socks. These will be put out again and hopefully they will be claimed! Finally, I hope everyone has a safe and happy break. It has become very clear that many of our children are oblivious to safety issues such as the road and especially the river. Please check what your children are up to. Some have lied to parents saying there is an adult with them at the river when this is not the case. We would hate to have an injury or death.

All the best for the festive season and a happy new year!

SCHOOL STATIONERY SUPPLIES 2012

Pahiatua School will be able to supply your child/rens stationery pack from the school stationery shop. Children will be given the cost on the last day of school. In line with school policy to support local businesses, our school purchases the stationery from our local supplier at a very competitive price. These savings are then passed on to you all year. We ask you to support our school by sending your money along on the first day back in 2012, Wednesday, 1st February.

Thank you to Nathaniel Moran, Michael Webb & Mitchell Boyce for completing their Yummy Sticker Chart. Keep collecting these over the school holidays. Charts can be collected from the school office or downloaded from www.yummyfruit.co.nz Thank you for your efforts over the year!

Just a reminder that there are NO SCHOOL LUNCHES this week due to the College Café being closed.

Congratulations to Taine Andrews who has won the PSCA Xmas Hamper—ticket number 70. Your prize can be collected from the school office!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK—TERM 4—WEEK 7

Room 1 Hayley Chapman, Room 2 Jared Wright, Room 3 Marc Manley, Room 4 Ricky Hirst, Room 5 Logan Cole, Room 6 Kaia Barker, Room 7 Sam Ryan & Emma Lester, Room 8 Lucy Hewitt & Jennifer McBride, Room 9 Keenan Thomson, Room 10 Laraine Taylor

IMOVE PRIZE WINNERS: Gemma Keay, Skyla Pardey, Emmie Brown & Sam Brown

PSCA GARDEN COMPETITION

Congratulations to all the participants who entered this years garden competition. The judges were very impressed with all the gardens and thank everyone for their efforts. The PSCA and the school would like to thank Jill from Willowdeane Garden Centre for providing all the plants to the children, Mrs Hunt for judging and Bev Oswald for transporting our judge. Please take the time to visit Willowdeane Garden Centre at 2a Crewe Street, Pahiatua over the summer holidays. It is a great place to purchase your garden supplies!

Congratulations to the Overall Winner—**Katelyn Woodmass** and **Justin Hogg** who was winner of the Junior Section.

Please also return all your feedback forms that were sent out last week, Jill would love to see these and your suggestions. Thank you.

LIBRARY BOOK / SCHOOL PROPERTY AMNESTY

We are missing a lot of books from our school library. A box has been set up at the front office so PLEASE have a look at home for any library books, school shirts or property. We are very happy to get resources back. Last week we had a recorder handed in that had been used by a current mum! Returned by her daughter, we are delighted to have it back after about 20 years! Fabulous!!! Lets see if we can get lots back. Don't stop at library books - junior readers, school shirts and hats also welcome. A gold card will be given for each item returned! Look under the bed and all those other places!

GUINEA PIGS FOR SALE—\$10.00 each
Ready for Christmas—Phone 376-6294

2012 SCHOOL PHOTOS—21st March 2012 **From 12.30pm onwards**

Just letting you know that these have been booked so you can start budgeting for them.

PSCA FINAL ASSEMBLY RAFFLE

Please bring along your gold coins to our final assembly as the PSCA will be running a raffle at \$1.00 per ticket with 3 draws. 1st draw is for a Logotech Speaker System, 2nd draw is for a Car Wash Kit and the 3rd draw is for a 'Surprise Parcel'.



Thank you and we appreciate your support!

We are looking for some Oven & Fridge Angels to come into school to clean out our Discovery Time Room and Hall Kitchen ovens & fridges. Please give us a call. Thank you.



Change in Lunch times on Friday, 16th December

1st break will be 10.30am to 11.00am

2nd break will be 12.30 to 1.00pm

We will then collect our bags and walk down to Tararua College for our Final Assembly starting at 1.30pm. Children may be collected from the college or they will be chaperoned back to school for normal collection.

Just a friendly reminder to please use our Drop Off Zone or the car parks when delivering or collecting your children from school. We have had a complaint from a neighbouring house about parents blocking their driveway. This is also for the safety of your children. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN

20th December 10am to 2pm for 5-12 year olds—St Peters Church Hall
Gold coin donation, lunch provided
So go shopping, catch up on housework or even just relax for the day.

A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported our Library during the Book Fair. Also to those that purchased books and then donated them to the library.
THANK YOU!

We have had (by mistake) a Slazenger shirt, black with red trim on the shoulders handed into the office instead of a Pahiatua School shirt. This would have been from Softball. Please check at home to see if you still have our school shirt there and we will do a swap! Thanks.

Makuri School
Trail Ride
05/02/2012
Phone Doug
376-3803
or
Louise
376-3818
for more
information

Akitio Beach Dig & Fair 2012
Loads of great prizes
Saturday, 14th
January 2012
Register from
11.30am
\$5.00 per digger
BBQ, raffles,
paintball, stalls,
games & crafts
Ph 374-3516

Free Photo with Father Christmas

Bring your children along to Help-n-Hand, 42 Main St, Pahiatua between 11am & 4pm on Thursday, 15th December 2011 to meet with Santa and have a free photo taken which will be posted to you. Santa may also have a small gift for you. For more info phone 376-6759.

DANCE ON MAIN PRESENTS
'Night in the Museum'
Regent Theatre Pahiatua
17th & 18th December at 1.30pm
Tickets are Adults \$12.00 & Children \$8.00
Purchase tickets from Dance on Main, Main Street,
Pahiatua
Monday to Friday

