

# Community Notices

## Parents & Friends Notice

The next meeting for the P & F is Monday 8th September 2014 at 1.30pm in the staff room at school - all welcome. Also we are calling for volunteers to help with our Spring Fun Run/Walk which is to be held on Sunday 21st September at Glendowie Farm (the Trains property on Puketitiri Road)

This is going to be our main fundraiser for the year and we need volunteers to help with all the jobs that go with running an event like this.

If you wish to go in the volunteer pool - please phone Rachel Train (8398824) and leave your name and number. Please promote this event with your families and friends, we want a big crowd there to make the day a success - check out the Facebook page that Rachel set up.

## Lost—Little White Dog

Wirehair (Hairy) Jack Russell with Tan Eyes. If anyone knows his whereabouts please ring Chitticks 8398684.

## Puketitiri Golf Club - Sunday Sessions & Puketitiri Scramble

Thanks to those who came along Sunday and braved the weather. Starting to get some new faces along. Next round on the 28th of September. 12 noon tee off.

Puketitiri Scramble—Saturday 1st November

\$60 entry per team (teams of three, max 1 single handicapper per team, all players must have a current handicap) , scramble format, tee off 12.30pm, 18 holes and afternoon tea included. Great prizes—major sponsor The Puketapu Hotel. Cash and cheques welcome, no Eftpos. Contact Mark Simmons 8367073 or 0274270834 or mwsimmons05@gmail.com

See you there.

## Primary ITO Courses

Courses are coming to Patoka and nearby are;

Dairy Cow Animal Health & Husbandry - Patoka Based

Starts 13<sup>th</sup> October. 6 Weekly Classes 9.30-2.30pm

Pastures, Weeds, Feed Budgeting - Tutira School

Starts 15<sup>th</sup> October. 6 Weekly Classes 9.30-2.30pm

First Line Management - Human Resources - Havelock North Community Centre

Starts 16<sup>th</sup> Sept. 5 Classes.

Growsafe Chemical Handling Certificate - Havelock North Community Centre

Starts - 4<sup>th</sup> November. One Day

Contact Pippa Dixon PrimaryITO - 0272168865/ 0800208020 to have a chat.

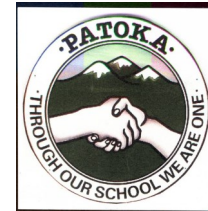
## Are you up for a challenge! (Parents and children)

If you can work out these puzzles, write it on a piece of paper or email it to me. I will put all of the correct answers in a hat and draw out a winner who will receive a prize.

principal@patoka.schoolzone.net.nz

Good luck!!

This week = What belongs to you but other people use it more than you?



# Patoka School Newsletter

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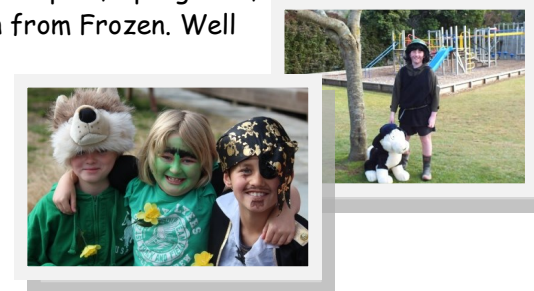
## Pied Piper of Hamelin



Last week you will have received a notice that provided you with the opportunity to pre book your tickets. Thank you to those of you who have already sent these in and noticed the mix up with the dates on the front. The notice should have read Wednesday 24th September and Thursday 25th September. Please change these dates on your booking form before sending them to the school office. We look forward to seeing you there with us.

## Daffodil Day - Ka Mau te Wehi!

This was another fantastic day at Patoka School. I was extremely impressed with the level of creativity shown by so many of our children in coming dressed as a book character. We had Princess Sophia, Spongebob, The Hulk all the way to the Snowman from Frozen. Well done to everyone and thank you for the effort you put in. As a school we raised \$214 for this very worthy cause. Check out the photos on the website. Ka mau te wehi!



## The Magpies Visit Patoka

On Wednesday 27th August we were fortunate enough to be asked to host a visit from 3 of the current Hawkes Bay Magpies Squad. They spent two hours here at school running a coaching clinic for our rugby players. The obvious attraction was Ihaia West. We also had students from Puketapu School join us. Being able to share this event with another school was important. Feedback from the staff and parents from Puketapu who attended was very positive. One comment that was made to me was the fact that they felt we should look to do more together as schools. I hope to explore this a little further in the future.

The Magpies visit was made possible through the sponsorship of Bruce Peterson from Aerospread Ltd. Bruce has been working hard to get the Magpies into rural schools as part of his sponsorship with the Hawkes Bay Rugby Union.



### Patoka School

Thursday 4th September

### Quote of the Week

From your parents you learn love and laughter and how to put one foot before the other. But when books are opened you discover that you have wings.

Helen Hayes

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T.R.U.E - be true to yourself

Trustworthiness

Respect

Unity

Excellence

Enthusiasm

## Cross Country and Other Cluster Events

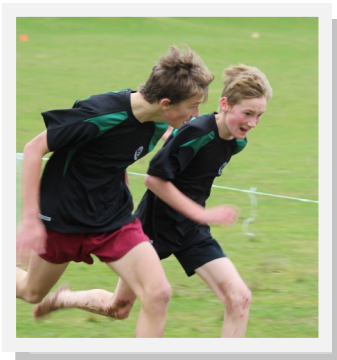
Firstly we need to say a huge thank you to the weather gods who held the rain off until we had completed the cross country last Friday.

Once again, the children from Patoka stood tall and represented our school in a wonderful manner. The level of respect and care for the other runners was very pleasing. At one point I saw one of our students run back onto the course to care for a student from another school who was struggling. To see that level of sportsmanship made me very proud.

A very big thank you must go to our Parents and Friends group who kept the hot food coming and provided treats for all of the runners. These events do not run without the tremendous support we get from this group of dedicated parents. P and F would also like to thank those parents who helped out on the day.

Finally—thank you to all of the parents for your support and help on the day. Whether you were there watching or helping as a marshal, the success of the event is down to you.

We are now in the process of collating the results so that we can finalise the teams that we will send to the Napier Primary Schools Cross Country on September 16th. More information will be sent out about this.



## Cluster Events -Did you know?

In this newsletter you will have found an insert that details our next cluster event. This is being run next week on Wednesday 10th September at Meeanee School.

For our new parents, we generally participate in a range of cluster events with other schools throughout the year. These include the Onekawa Swimming Sports, the Cross Country, the Meeanee 7s and the Pakowhai Top Town. For each of these events we do not run buses and we ask the parents to transport their children. Our students always look forward to these days as they provide an opportunity to mix with other students of similar ages and from schools very much like ours.

Each of the host schools organises the events and provides some form of fundraising on site. This is generally a sausage sizzle and lollies and baking. Having attended these events for the first time last year I can attest to the fun and laughter that was had by all.

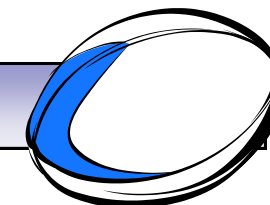
A sports shirt is provided for each of these events (the exception is the Onekawa Swimming Sports)



## Notification of absence

With so many of our children being away from school it is timely to send out a reminder about the procedure for informing the school about absence. We ask that parents notify the school of any absences either by leaving a message, sending an email or by making contact with the school in the morning. We are unable to accept notification via younger siblings. The school has a legal obligation to ensure the whereabouts of all children as our roll is audited.

## Rugby—Stars of the future



### ROSS SHIELD TEAM

Congratulations must go out to Caleb Turner for being named in the 2014 Napier Ross Shield Team. This team is selected from across all of Napier. Caleb has continued to work hard throughout the season and has been rewarded for his efforts.

### NAPIER WEST REPS

Congratulations also to Liam Williams and Oscar Poulton for being selected in the D Grade Representative Team.

Well done to all of these boys and good luck for your respective seasons.

## Year 5/6 Mixed Netball



The netball season has come to an end for this year. Our Year 5/6 Patoka—Sherendon Team had an enjoyable season with mixed results, last term winning our grade!!

Thanks to all the parents who helped as I know it is a busy time of the year. The girls braved some very cold nights and were knocked by injury and illness so thanks for keeping your chins up. Could we please have all uniforms washed and returned to school as soon as possible?

## Patoka School Soccer Season



Thank you to all the parents, supporters and players of the soccer teams for 2014. This year we were again able to put three teams together. This is certainly a fantastic effort for our small school.

Thank you to Darryn for doing the school practices. This means one less trip to town, especially in the winter months.

## We need your help please

We have had a large number of children bringing packet noodles to school. Last week alone we had up to 6 children in one lunch hour asking for bowls and to have their noodles prepared in the staff room.

We would like to ask that if children are having noodles that they bring the Cup of Noodles, or bring them made in a thermos. We are concerned about the number of children having to carry boiling water in a bowl. We also ask that noodles are brought to school on a Tuesday and Wednesday only when Theresa is in the office and is available to help if needed.

## Up and Coming Events

Meeanee 7s	Wednesday 10th September
BOT meeting	Tuesday 16th September
Napier Primary Schools Cross Country	Tuesday 16th September
TACS Year 7/8 Cross Country	Wednesday 17th September