



KUNG HEI FAT CHOY



Welcome to 'The Year of the Snake'

With two Chinese-owned businesses in Paparoa it is appropriate to ask what portents the Year of the Snake, commencing 10th February, might bring. Both Frank Wu and Maggie Cui are realistic that in a small rural community few will take notice of an event that is marked on a huge scale in their home country. Hundreds of millions of Chinese people take the opportunity to return to their families, thereby creating the biggest mass migration in the world today.

Maggie, and Frank's wife Susan, were both born in the Year of the Snake so there is a degree of special meaning for them. 'Snake people' are reputed to be thoughtful and wise and approach problems rationally and logically. But it seems the Year of the Snake signifies a degree of caution, calls for self-discipline, and is not a time for reckless decisions. Perhaps this steady progress and attention to detail is something that might be a good guide for the rest of us this year.

To both our resident Chinese families we wish KUNG HEI FAT CHOY!

Happy Chinese New Year!

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1930s Pahi Regatta

Courtesy of the Nicholas Family collection



The new Paparoa Press turns ONE!



When PPI took over the Paparoa Press from Tom and Pat Sutton 12 months ago we thought it would be a straightforward exercise – little did we know what was in store!

Translating a quarterly paper into a monthly has meant a major commitment. No sooner is one edition out on the streets than the next has to be planned. However it has been a lot of fun and satisfaction to confirm the Sutton's legacy and see the PP develop to new levels. The support of local advertisers and the appreciative comments from readers has made the commitment worthwhile. We hope the PP is a fair reflection of Paparoa and its district and welcome suggestions and contributions from the public. There is so much happening that it's sometimes difficult to fit it all in!

A Bit about Ourselves

The PP operates under the umbrella of PPI. It is self funding and any surplus funds go to PPI for community projects.

The PP is administered by a small committee – the Press Gang! The members being Kathy McLennan (editor), Loraine Rowlands, Mary Stevens, Graham Roberts and Graham Taylor. The editor has been supplied with a new computer, appropriate software and training and is paid a small honorarium which in no way reflects the number of hours involved each

month. We meet monthly to decide on topics and contributions for the next edition. We are grateful to our named guest writers who provide regular features, and our team members write some of the regular columns. Twice we have had a guest contributor for the front page and would like to develop this feature more. PP is printed on PPI's own printer by George Skelton.

Our Philosophy

We hope the PP accurately reports on items of news in our part of Kaipara, but more importantly, reflects the atmosphere of the village and its community. We wish to support local businesses and community organisations by providing a means of regular communication. PP is non-political and does not enter into correspondence. However we are happy to print guest contributions that may reflect a particular or differing point of view. We aim to accentuate the positive, recognise individuals and events that make a contribution and generate interest and pride in our community.

Thanks Paparoa for your support over the last 12 months. Feedback is most welcome to paparoapress@orcon.net.nz. PP

Pahi Regatta (story inside)

'Miss Pahi' contestants 2013

from right:

- 1st
Zoe Lilley,
- 2nd
Olivia Tustin,
- 3rd
Kelsey Wech



Paparoa Lions Stephen Findlay, Mike Poyner & Alistair Banks, working in their food caravan, pleased with takings on the two days at Pahi



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The 137th Paparoa Show -

The North Kaipara Agricultural Association put on another great Paparoa Show for 2013.

There were good numbers through the gate, and both the Show Committee and competitors were happy with the day. Congratulations go to the hardworking committee members, competitors, and to everyone concerned!

Outdoors

Worthy of particular mention is that this was Lockwood Smith's last show before departing for his UK stint. He won numerous placings plus Supreme Champion with his senior bull, Woodleigh Utah. There was a record number of more than 60 cattle for the first time in years. There was a welcome return of the Dairy Goat classes to Paparoa.

More than 30 goats were entered and everyone had a great day, so they intend to return next year.

Breed classes for horses were introduced on Sunday and well attended so next year we'll be seeing them again.



Champion and Reserve Champion



Supreme Champion 'Woodleigh Utah' & owner Lockwood Smith

Woodchopping also made a welcome return this year, and Kaipara kai was, as always, on offer. There was a good representation of craftsmanship among the many vendors on site. One particular attendee said she'd come for her annual back-fix at the Inversion Therapy back-pain tent. And what about the wonderful weather complete with a cooling breeze on the day?



Woodchopping returned in 2013

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3rd	9.24am	3.51pm	19th	10.47am	5.09pm
4th	10.19am	4.47pm	20th	11.50am	6.12am
5th	11.24am	5.53pm	21st	1.02pm	7.24pm
6th	12.39pm	7.10pm	22nd	2.11pm	8.12am
7th	1.59pm	7.53am	23rd	3.09pm	9.13am
8th	3.09pm	9.09am	24th	3.59pm	10.01am
9th	4.08pm	10.11am	25th	4.38pm	10.43am
10th	4.58pm	11.02am	26th	5.17pm	11.22am
11th	5.43pm	11.47am	27th	5.57pm	11.59am
12th	6.25pm	12.28pm	28th	6.37pm	12.38pm
13th	7.04pm	1.06pm	29th	7.18pm	1.18pm
14th	7.42pm	1.43pm	30th	8.02pm	2.01pm
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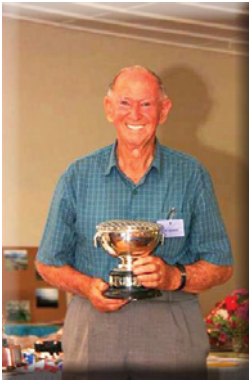


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outdoors ... and indoors

Indoors

The first weekend in February saw the Indoor committee of the Paparoa Show swing into action as it does every year. This group of volunteers set up tables, took entries on Thursday night and Friday morning and transformed the Paparoa Hall into an amazing display, showing the vegetables, fruit, crafts, knitting and sewing, preserves and baking, floral art work, school children's handwriting and art work, home brew and wine, dahlias and other flowers, and photographs. This show certainly produces the best indoor section in the North.



Prize dahlia growers Trevor Brljevic and Jill Mills

We have our supporters, some of whom spend many many hours preparing for our Show.

Trevor Brljevic and his grand daughter Jordyn Smith are two local people who make a great contribution every year, although 2013 saw some new competitors appearing in the horticulture and vegetable section, so they definitely have competition. The brewing

section saw some interesting and excellent entries. The judge was heard to comment that the beer was so good he would have been keen to take it home. The ginger beer was proclaimed to be definitely marketable and the damson plum liqueur was also pronounced to be of amazing quality - the judges certainly enjoyed their task this year!

Photography is a growing section with large numbers of very high standard photographs entered, some from outside our area. The sewing and knitting section was of a very high standard as usual but it would be nice to see more entries. It was pleasing to see the Otamatea High School students entering in the school sewing section.

The dahlias were stunning despite the drought and wind this season: there was great competition between the entrants. Fruit and vegetables saw increased entries as did the baking, jams and preserves so this was great to see.

The gift of a new Trophy for the School section for year 7 and 8 students, from Loraine Rowlands, saw the Matakohi School jumping up and down with glee at being the first school to win. The school work display is always a real treat!

So thanks to all the helpers, committee

members and people who enter our Show and keep up the traditions that make Paparoa such a great little village in the valley.

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GOOD NEWS from the Wearable Arts Gala (WAG) people - a new team is to continue staging our fabulous annual show.

IT WILL BE EARLIER this year - JUNE 29 with both a matinee and an evening performance. New exciting categories will soon be announced, with brilliant major prizes.

So 'watch this space' and consider putting in an entry. OR make it a date on your calendar

MUSEUM MUSINGS ...

Farewell to a friend - Mavis Smith 9 November 1910 - 10 February 2013

Until just a short time before her death, Mavis, was a museum stalwart, joining in on Wednesday 'Volunteers Day' and welcoming visitors.

She had such a great sense of mischief too, standing at the window to the 'lounge' in the Smith Wing, and waiting until she was recognised from the mannequin standing beside her in the display, which was of course modelled on her. She really enjoyed the 'double-takes' she got.



The irrepressible Mavis Smith, pictured here on the occasion of her 100th birthday in November 2010

Mavis was a museum treasure, as both a member of the founding family, and an ongoing inspiration. She has been a large part of why we come to work every day, as we strive to preserve the heritage she and her family are such an integral part of.

She will be sorely missed, but we also celebrate her wonderful lifespan of more than a century in Matakohē.

Bet Nelley
CEO, The Kauri Museum

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This event was started by the Country Women's Institute (CWI) and Women's Division of Federated Farmers (WDFF), 66 years ago, to honour the original pioneering families and give the senior members an opportunity to get together and take time out of their busy lives for a shared luncheon. The original pioneers have long since departed and over the years the criteria have changed to include anyone over 65 years who lives in or has lived in, or has an association with the Paparoa district. The luncheon is now run by the Paparoa Lions and includes a delicious lunch, entertainment, and a chance to reminisce with old friends and make new ones. The photo boards that were in the hall at the 150th celebrations will once again be on display.

Invitations have been sent out and if anyone hasn't received one who would like to attend, please contact Pete Harnes 431 6822.

We encourage all locals to support this historic event and keep it going. Sincere thanks also to all the sponsors.

PAPAROA LIBRARY : BOOK REVIEW MARCH

Me Before You, Jo-jo Moyes

In her small English town, Lou Clark knows lots of things. What she doesn't know is that she's about to lose her job or that knowing what's coming is what keeps her sane. Will Traynor knows his motorcycle accident took away his desire to live. What he doesn't know is that Lou is about to burst into his world in a riot of colour. And neither of them knows they're going to change the other for all time.

Some books make you stop and think, compel you to examine your own take on life or your position or stand on an issue. Jojo Moyes' *ME BEFORE YOU* will surprise you, it is impossible not to put yourself in the characters' shoes and you will find yourself thinking about the choices you might make if life changed in an instant.

(Lee Woodruff, New York Times)

The Pahi Regatta 2013

Anniversary Weekend Saturday saw the 126th PAHI REGATTA get off to a pistol-cracking start with a good turnout of boats for the launch and runabout races. In the evening in the marquee a big crowd danced to the music of awesome band 'The Dozen' and had a great social time.

On Sunday, the ever popular Bathtub races - always a popular event at Pahi - attracted a big crowd to watch the 16 entries; excitement mounted as eventually the 'Airfoam' tub took out the Open, with 'Hoteo' winning the 2hp race. The kayak race was again won by John Leonard; Kerry Bonham won the Senior race; and Nick Lanigan the Junior race.

Following on was the Miss Pahi contest with a record number of entries. (See photo page one, from right to left, 1st Zoe Lilley, 2nd Olivia Tustin, 3rd Kelsey Wech.) Classic Hits hosted this and kept the crowd entertained. Later, our local Sam Taylor entertained the crowd with his awesome singing, supported by others who got up to strut their stuff! Talking, singing, raffles, dancing, and everything a good old country party should have - heaps of fun had by all!

We encourage all locals to support this historic event and keep it going. Sincere thanks also to all the sponsors.

Leah Greenall

Northland Field Days

An upside to the Northland drought ... a beautifully fine weekend for the Field Days at Dargaville on 21st - 24th February. Organisers reported records numbers attending.

We snapped Hukatere locals Max and Shona Hamlin catching up with Genevieve Stevens.





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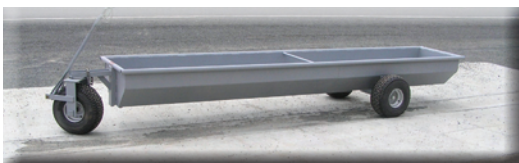
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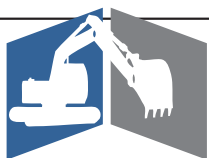


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OUT & ABOUT around the District

Michael Dallas, eldest son of Gary and Jan, who is currently working in London, recently announced his engagement to Kate Kehoe of Chicago, USA. They will marry in Italy in July. Guess that Jan and Gary will not be taking a coachload along on this trip!

Ruawai Lions 'Teddy Bears Picnic' is to be held on Saturday 2 March at Ruawai Primary School. Take your teddy bear and a picnic and have fun enjoying all the games and prizes to be won. There will also be a sausage sizzle with proceeds going to Camp Millennium.

Maungaturoto Residents Assn 'Teddy Bears Picnic' will be held Saturday 13 April 9.30-12.30 at Maungaturoto Primary School.

Mavis Smith, who passed her long life (102 years) at the family home, "Totara House" in Matakohē, was farewelled in February. Mavis, 'Child of the Kauri', was the last surviving child of George and Emily (nee Sheppard) Smith and her grandparents on both sides came to New Zealand as part of the Albertland Movement.

Otamatea Christian School holds its 4WD Fundraising Safari on Saturday 16 March. The \$100 entry fee includes all day driving, spot prizes, a packed lunch and dinners for driver & passenger. For more info contact Julia on 09 431 6622 or pjleaf@ubernet.co.nz

The 'Friends of The Kauri Museum' hold their AGM at 2.00pm on Monday 18 March at Matakohē Hall. For more information phone Betty Gee 431 6448.

Community Service personnel from Corrections have been assisting Keep Paparoa Beautiful (KPB) with tidying up the long grass on the river bank opposite GAS and 'The Old Bank' as well as on The Landing and Village Green. They should be back on a regular basis to keep up the good work.

KPB have also sprayed the remaining bamboo opposite 'The Old Bank'. Craig Hodges and his team are continuing to clean up the bank by School House Lane with an ongoing plan being developed to plant this area. Thanks to these groups for keeping our village looking great!

All sports have swings in popularity and Indoor Bowls is on the way up. You can roll up with other fans on Wednesdays in Paparoa Hall from 2pm. Mats and bowls are supplied and anyone from novices to experienced bowlers is welcome. If you've never played before, don't worry, there is tuition available.

The total fire ban is still in place but somehow a fire got out of control at Whakapirau during February. Thanks to quick action by Schultz Helicopters and their monsoon bucket it was



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extinguished. Thank you Ralph and Ben!

We welcome Fred and Margaret Armfield back to the district. They will be living in Paparoa for the next six months.

Paparoa School is upgrading its newsletter email list and if you would like them to email you their newsletter please let them know at the school office, ph 09 431 7379.

Roger Hall's play "Dirty Weekends", a comedy about gardening and other fruitful pleasures, is being staged by ORT Maungaturoto starting 15 March. There are 6 shows over 2 weekends. Tickets available from Tony's Maungaturoto, or go to www.ort.org.nz for ticket sales and more details.

December's Out & About included the news of the engagement of Evelyn Bowcock whose parents Gary and Lyn lived for some years in Paparoa. Rose and Brian Plunkett went to Napier for the wedding of Evelyn and Daniel Straka.

Have you noticed the sign, SOLD, on the old National Bank building, aka "Sahara" restaurant? The word is that the new owners are foodies. PP

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Through the Looking Glass : Randall Haines

It is nearly 40 years since Randall Haines first visited New Zealand. Back home in Canada and unable to settle, he applied to emigrate and, as cabinet making was an acceptable trade, was accepted and is now a Canadian Kiwi.

Attracted to the Kaipara, Randall met Liz Kay from Matakoho and they were married, settling on the Kay family farm for a time before purchasing the Paparoa Post Office building when it came up for sale in the 1980s.



The premises were converted to a B&B and Backpackers run by Liz, and Randall continued cabinetmaking in the sheds down the road and opened a business in old Nick's Shop, next to the guest house, where he sold the "Shaker" furniture he made.

While still running the B&B business, Randall and Liz bought the derelict Quaife House just up the road on SH12, moved it to its present site below Nick's Shop and started restoration. The guest house was sold, Liz enrolled for teacher training and Randall moved into houseboat building. He built two, and chartered them for eight years, at the same time building and selling traditional Canadian canoes. Randall had always owned a canoe at home in Canada where going canoeing is regarded much the same as riding a bike.

These days he is still making furniture and canoes, which are sold in the recently opened shop in front of the workshop, and restoring furniture for private clients.

Motorbikes have always been a hobby, Randall owns four, and motorbikes are at the heart of his new venture. Before coming to NZ, he had spent a lot of time in Asia, and in the last 5 years he and Liz have travelled widely there. In 2012 his cousin came to visit for the first time in 25 years. Randall had just escorted a group of friends and family on a bike trip to Cambodia. Share riding with others in Asia became the central topic for discussion and before you know it, a new business was born, "Over the Hill and Back - Adventure motorcycle tours for old buggers". The cousin takes care of business in North America and Randall handles the Pacific area. Tours are offered to North Vietnam where travellers are escorted north of Hanoi to the Laos/China border area. An interpreter / guide accompanies the group and accommodation

is in mountain hotels or in village homes where the visitors are treated as part of the family. The fourth tour to this area leaves in April.

Last year Randall spent a month in India reconnoitring for a new tour. Starting in the Himalayan foothills at 8,000 feet and climbing to 18,400 feet above sea level (the highest motorable road in the world), where it ends 30 kilometres from the Pakistan border. The Indian Army controls this area and provides a first aid station at the top of the road where travellers can access oxygen. Randall laughs at the height. When he piloted a Cessna 172 for 10 years as a Coastguard pilot, the maximum height he could fly was 14,500 feet; lower than the height the tour reaches in the Himalayan foothills!

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St John could not provide a quality ambulance response without the support of local volunteers. Some of the training can be challenging, but we offer plenty of support and assistance. Becoming a Volunteer Ambulance Officer helps your local community while the training provided may assist with gaining future employment.

If you'd like to be a St John Maungaturoto/Kaiwaka ambulance volunteer and experience the support, friendship and sense of team spirit that comes with the role, please contact the Team Manager at the Maungaturoto station on 09 431 8403 or 021 231 6836.

Stephen Rosser
Operations Team Manager

KAIPARA LIFE - GENTLE GIANT

Summer on the Kaipara can be magic and this year with all those hot sunny days the beach at Whakapirau was at its very best and I spent many happy hours there thinking how lucky I was to have this little piece of kiwi paradise right on my door step.

The summer months however, with so many more people in the water, can produce some interesting encounters like this one with a local stingray.

One particularly hot day, so the story goes, friend Nigel decided to go for a swim. On this occasion he was keen to try out his flippers and so, suitably attired, he began his careful backward manoeuvres out into the tide. Unbeknownst to him however he was heading straight for a very large stingray that was cruising the shallows.

Unfortunately stingrays have quite poor eyesight - relying instead on their sense of smell, and, as our 'would be' swimmer was apparently very clean and also very quiet, the ray, like Nigel, was blissfully unaware of the inevitable collision.

Then Nigel's foot came down on the ray's head. Shocked by the impact the huge ray surged out of the water rising part way up Nigel's legs in the process and beat a frantic retreat into the safety of deeper water. Nigel did something similar but with much less grace - he was more like a human windmill, arms flapping, flippers splashing, emitting just the hint of a manly scream, madly scrambling his way back to the beach.

Now, in spite of the bad press they have received since Steve Irwin met his tragic end, stingrays are not particularly dangerous creatures. In fact, according to ACC statistics, you are 60 times more likely to be killed tripping over a rug than by being injured by one of these gentle giants.

Still at the moment of impact I doubt that statistics had any part to play in the reactions of either party. It was Near Death Experience for all concerned and, for that brief moment, the magic of a summer's day on the Kaipara was well and truly shattered.

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Pets in the Valley

Seeing water is quite topical at the moment I thought I'd touch on the subject as regards our pets.

A frequently asked question at veterinary consults is "how much water does your animal drink?" The honest answer for most people is "I don't know" especially with cats as who knows when and where they obtain moisture from, anywhere from the bath, toilet, and puddles. The little bowl by the cat biscuits is probably the last place they drink from! I guess the most important thing is the impression of how desperately they are after water. There are at least 10 medical conditions where polydypsia (excess drinking), also accompanied by the necessary polyuria (excessive urination), are important clinical signs. Diabetes, kidney failure, Cushings (dogs) and



hyperthyroidism would be the most common. Dogs are much easier when it comes to measuring their water intake, as many are kennelled, and it's easy to tell if you are filling the bowl up more often. With dogs the next step of obtaining a urine sample is also much easier! Obviously in dry, hot conditions like these, healthy animals are going to drink lots of water, and I'm sure some dogs drink it just because they like it.

Technically the requirement for adult animals is 40 to 60ml/kg/day. An animal drinking in excess of 100ml/kg/day would be considered polydypsic. So keep the water bowl full and clean and fresh for humans and animals alike!

Janine Hames

Local Business Changes Hands

Expect to see new owner of *L'art de Beauty*, Jasween Gill, give the business her own touch, while Lisa Wintle bids farewell to clientele...

Hi everyone! Just wanted to give huge thanks and much love to everyone in the community who supported my business these past five years! It is with mixed feelings that I sold the salon. I enjoyed working there but I feel I'm needed at home with 3 small children. I am very happy for new owner, Jasween Gill. I know that she can put the energy and time into the salon that it deserves. Andria, of course, has been a wonderful friend and colleague and I owe so much of the salon's success to her high standards.

The salon started 7 years ago as

a mobile business which quickly flourished, so I rented a room at the hairdressers. I could see that I had found a niche in the community so decided to purchase my own premises. With Dad, Shane and others helping, it was gutted, fitted out and painted.

I dreamed up the name when I used to work on the cruise ships. It's a mixture of French and English and means the Art of Beauty. I know that the future of the salon is in great hands under the care of Jasween and Andria, who are going to be a great team.



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With the co-operation of KDC and residents, roads were closed and over 50 cars made varying numbers of passes. As slower cars were "timed-out" and eliminated, those remaining travelled faster and faster until the final two competed for top spot. As a bonus this year, they all succeeded in spreading a thick layer of dust over adjoining land! Many thanks indeed go to those residents!

The Service Park was on the showgrounds behind the Hall where Paparoa Lions provided daylong food from their caravan; Julie Lewis and her "Bean & Gone" coffee van were appreciated by support crews and drivers alike. To finish the day, the Lions put on a good evening meal before the Prizegiving - what a day the visitors all enjoyed! And our three community organisations gained very well financially!

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art ... in the community

When I started writing this column I mentioned the amazing range of art and craft activities in which local people are participating. This year I would like, from time to time, to describe some of these. Some are in Paparoa itself, others in the wider Kaipara community. When we live in such small villages, it can be of great value to get together in groups with shared interests beyond the narrow confines of the parish pump.

On Monday mornings and Tuesday evenings a number of Paparoa people attend classes led by artist Frances Casey at the old church 'Ruawai Art Studio' in Ruawai. This is a beautiful space flooded with natural light, the white walls providing an excellent gallery filled with paintings showing a wide variety of work by Frances and her students.

The classes follow the needs of the individual participants, with Frances providing advice and assistance as required. They also include shared activities and workshops, often with visiting tutors, and the group arranges visits to galleries and exhibitions.

Frances is a largely self-taught artist working in watercolours, oils, acrylics and mixed media, and is guided by the principle, "you are always learning". The classes are open to new members, and Frances can be contacted at 09 439 2554.

Are you a Paparoa person who is involved in an art group or craft activity locally or further afield that you would like people to know about and share? Let me know at hbudd@ihug.co.nz.

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Major events such as WAG and Paparoa Show list their contacts

on the site. If you have visitors or are in the visitor business there's also information on things to do. The Paparoa Press is available in full each month with back issues as well. So that story you wanted to read again is always there. And for family and friends out of the district it's a great way for them to keep in touch with what's happening in our area.

Of course any website is only as good as the information

it contains and organisations wanting to get best value from it should update their details. Please check your organisation's listing and send updates to info@paparoa.org.nz

With computer use now so widespread it's just so easy to click and get the information you need. Pop it on your desktop and it's readily at hand.

PPI is the administrator of the website and welcomes any feedback, info@paparoa.org.nz

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Principal, Mrs Kim Tavinor said, "I am very pleased with how the children are all working on their 'relationship' skills", which is part of the schools new Value system.



"Students are learning to get along with each other and help each other out, which is exciting to see". "It is also wonderful to have had five children start this year already and another eight students enrol



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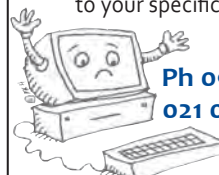
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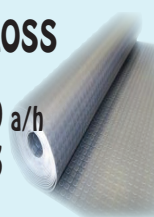
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