



Persevere – Challenge – Succeed

PAPATOETOE CENTRAL SCHOOL

Minutes of Parent Community meeting: Thursday 10 May 3:00pm

Responses: 80 responses

Present: 24 attendees

1. Three Kaiawhina Rangatahi opened the meeting with the following welcome:

Tena koutou katoa
 Nga mihi mahana ki a koutou
 Haere mai kirunga ki tenei kura
 Ki te kura Papatoetoe Te Pou Toko Manawa
 Haere mai haere mai nau mai

Hello
 Warm welcome to all
 Welcome to our school, Papatoetoe Central School
 Welcome welcome welcome

We have held parent meetings with many different groups over the years. The meetings are a wonderful opportunity to meet with parents and families to share the learning experiences and opportunities that take place at our school. We will also share information about our learning and achievement over the past three years.

There will also be an opportunity for you to talk about other learning experiences that we could consider at our school. From past meetings, this has resulted in the introduction of a number of new learning events at our school. These include:

- Maori and Pasifika Showcase*
- Diwali Dance Off*
- More Kapa Haka options*
- Marae visits*
- Maori specialisation teacher*

Ma te mahi tahi
 E puta ai nga hua

Working together brings better results

The following information was presented:

2. PCS achievement results and National Standards (2016)

Mathematics	
PCS 2017	86%
PCS 2016	85%
PCS 2015	83.3%
NZ national average results 2016	75.4%
Writing	
PCS 2017	65.6%
PCS 2016	68.8%
PCS 2015	73.3%
NZ national average results 2016	71.2%

Reading	
PCS 2017	78%
PCS 2016	81%
PCS 2015	84%
NZ national average results 2016	77.8%

3. Learning Support Programmes at Papatoetoe Central School

For those students not at expected levels yet, there are a range of learning support programmes:

- Quality, targeted teaching – minute by minute, day by day – every learning moment is important
- Reading support
- Reading Granny helpers
- Reading dog
- Learning Assistants (21) - across school in all year levels
- Smaller Mathematics classes (Maths Enhancement programme)
- ELL support
- PMP
- RT: Lit
- RTLB
- PACT
- Reading recovery
- Kaiarahi
- External agencies when necessary.

4. Some other learning experiences at Papatoetoe Central School

- Options programme
- Sports – school and zone
- Specialisation for Science
- Kapa Haka – 2 options in 2018
- Kaiawhina Rangatahi and other leadership opportunities
- Young Leaders Day
- Maori and Pasifika Showcase
- Being a New Zealander programmes in classrooms, ANZAC focus
- Papatoetoe Tangata Pai
- Official Language weeks – introduction of language in classes
- Marae trip
- Maths Enhancement (Year 4 – 6)
- Camp
- Chess group
- EOTC opportunities – class trips based on topic/theme
- Talent show
- School music production – The Wizard of Oz
- Tirinou Trust orchestra (strings)
- Choir
- Diwali Dance off
- Christmas whanau day
- Art festival
- Science fair
- Open Day
- School assemblies
- Visits to St Christopher's Hospital

5. Topics in 2018

The following topics were discussed, asking attendees to put a 'cultural lens' over the topics (from their own culture) and offer any ideas that could be included in the following topics.

Some possible ideas:

- Solar System (Matariki)
- Sustainability – the water cycle, recycling
- Being a tidy Kiwi – Papatoetoe Tangata Pai
- ANZAC – role and contribution of Maori and Pasifika soldiers
- Belonging, my identity, relating to others, building positive relationships

Science and Technology ideas:

- Wai mauri – water quality – local stream
- Moana – the sea – measuring, observing species; pollution
- Turangawaewae – the place where we stand – local places and their history; geology – landforms
- Mixtures and changes – lotions/potions – e.g. natural dyes

6. Summary of new ideas:

As in previous meetings, attendees were given the opportunity to offer ideas for new learning opportunities and experiences that the school may consider introducing to our programmes (such as the 5 ideas mentioned above*):

The following ideas were suggested:

- A focus on Sustainability, 'Keeping NZ beautiful campaign'
- Public speaking opportunities, debating
- More opportunities for dance performance.

Meeting closed: 4:05 pm