Newsletter 18: 10th November

From The Principal Kia ora koutou



In case you had not heard the news, our bike track is fully operational and is getting a great work out before school and at each break time. One circuit of the track is 420m and some children are clocking up several kilometers before the school day even begins! We love seeing parents riding with their children before and after school – please do remember to wear you bike helmet to send the correct message to our children. We are working hard to instill the correct track etiquette – riding only in an anti-clockwise direction, letting people know that you are passing, pass on the right etc. We have had a couple of tumbles, and we have also had some lovely learning moments. Today we watched as a Year 6 boy helped a 5 year old back onto her bike, and then ran a full circuit of the track beside her.

New Appointments

We have finalized the teaching appointments for 2017 and warmly welcome Sarah Lean-Massey, Anna-Belle Graham and Rachel Beaumont to the Rāwhiti team. I am also pleased to announce that Stuart Reid and Amanda Taueki-Kinghazel will both be returning in 2017.

On a less happy note, we have to advise that Jenny Whiteford will be leaving our staff at the end of the year as she and Ross are returning to Scotland to start their married life. Jenny's are big shoes to fill as she has had a significant impact on the development of our Year 7/8 programmes, and I know that our senior students (and others) will be sad to see her go.

Change of Dates 2017

At its meeting last Thursday the Board of Trustees approved a change to the previously advertised school dates for 2017. School will start for the year on Monday January 30th with Goal Setting meetings for children and parents. Classes will start in full on Tuesday January 31st. This change is being made to allow for school to be closed on Thursday April 13th for a staff professional development day. The children will finish school for the term on Wednesday April 12th, as Friday 14th April is Good Friday and the start of the school holiday period.

We apologise for making a change at this reasonably late stage, the opportunity for professional development for the staff only arose last week. We have changed the dates for the term on our web calendar.

Coast to Coast Fundraising Opportunity

We have been given the fantastic opportunity to run a food stall throughout the day on Saturday February 11th at the finish of the Coast to Coast, in New Brighton. This is a big day for the community and a great chance for us to show case the school and earn some funds to put towards our new playgrounds. Obviously, we will need people to make this happen! We will be selling food to a large number of people across the whole day– so will need lots of people to take a turn at serving on our stall. If you can't help us on the day, you might be willing to spend a few hours in the week before hand as part of a team preparing food, or as part of a planning team to work on the menu and sourcing supplies ahead of time.

If you think you can spare an hour or two, or even more then please email <u>admin@rawhiti.school.nz</u>, or you could text Steph Haskell on 021-136-5391.

Please enjoy the long weekend – there are only 25 more school days until we break for Christmas!

Ngā mihi nui kia a koutou Liz Weir Principal

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Principals Awards



Papatūānuku: Pippin Haumia-tiketike: Jessica, Rocky, Charlotte Tāne Mahuta: Lila, Sherrilee, Alyssa, Ashton M, Makenzie, Chloe.

What's Coming Up

- 11/11 Show Day School Closed
- 14/11Zone Athletic Sports
- 15/11 Year 7/8 Vision Testing
- 18/11Assembly 9.15am
- 23/11 Pool Party Year 7/8 Fundraiser
- 24/11 Newsletter
- 25/11 National Standards and Reports workshop for Parents.

School Notices

Planning for 2017

If you feel you need to share any information with us regarding your child's needs and the type of teacher you would like to see them placed with in 2017 please let us know by emailing <u>admin@rawhiti.school.nz</u> no later than Friday, November 18th. We have quite a number of new teachers joining the team next year – chosen because they have the skills and personality to really connect with our children. If you know that your plans for 2017 do not involve Rāwhiti School please take the time to let us know.

Parents of 2016 Year 6 students attending Rāwhiti School

Our senior students have the option of a senior school jacket with the school logo printed on it. We are able to offer our Year 6 students, who are continuing on as Year 7 students with Rāwhiti School in 2017, a discounted price of \$50.00 per jacket, down from the normal cost of \$81.80. We will size your child with current jackets to ensure they receive the correct fitting.

We will be putting through an order for all families who wish to take up this offer on Friday 9th December 2016. Jackets will be available for your child at the beginning of the 2017 school year.

Payment will need to have been received in full by Friday 9th December 2016 to allow your order to be processed. You may wish to make this payment at the school office or via internet banking: 03 0814 0000333 25. Please reference your child's name.

Surfing Champs

Three of our students recently took part in the Canterbury Primary Schools Surfing Camps. Dara 0 won the Year 7 trophy, Tom R won the Year 5 and under trophy, and Matteo B was places 3rd in the same category.

If your child achieves something significant please let us know by emailing <u>admin@rawhiti.school.nz</u> so that we can share their success with the rest of the community.

Swimming Pool

We are on track to open the swimming pool after Show Weekend so please have your children come prepared to swim as part of their daily programme, and often as a supervised break time activity.

Junior classes do not always swim every day, and the teachers from these studios will let you know when your children have a timetables swim.

Reminder to children

Please remind the children if they are riding bikes to school they must enter the school on their bike up the path provided on the left side of the school drive way, it is too dangerous riding across the basketball court and then over the carpark. Thankyou.

Tupperware[®] Fundraiser

Rose Jamieson Tupperware Consultant Ph: 027 228 4038 Email: philandrose78@gmail.com

We have the Summer/Spring Catalogue,

Facebook: Tuppa Here, Tuppa There, Take Tuppa Everyware

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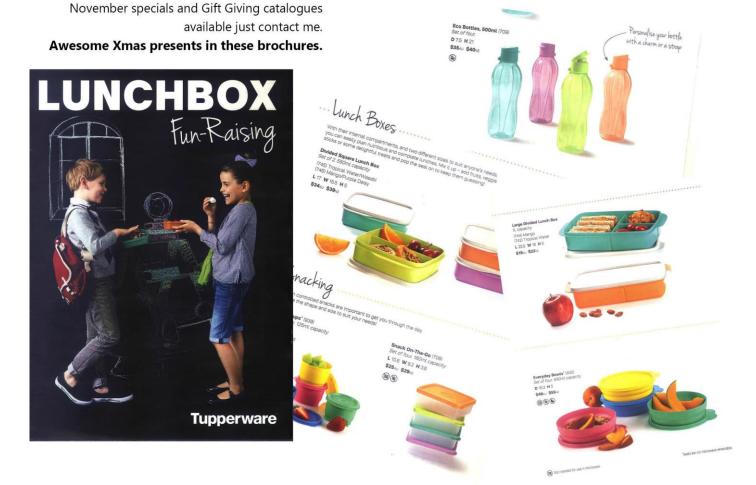
Everyone should have received a Tupperware Fun-Raising brochure. If you didn't you can pick one up from reception.

How is works: Fill out the order form and payment details. Bring it to the office by **November 18th 2016.**

10% of all sales will be donated to Rawhiti School along with \$10 for every Tupperware Party booked.

Are you wanting free Tupperware in time for Christmas, contact Rose, have a get together with friends, it's that easy.

Our products have been proudly backed by our famous Lifetime and Q (Quality) Guarantees for more than 50 years, so you can buy with confidence.



Rāwhiti School App

We now have 268 Rāwhiti App users. This is absolutely free to you, the user. Simply go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and search Rāwhiti School to download the app to your phone or tablet. If you are unsure how to do this, or want some help selecting which notifications to sign up to please just pop into the office and ask for help. The help sheet is included further on in this newsletter.

Absentee	Call office or email If the email option is selected all fields must be filled in. After submitting one absentee notification some fields on this form will pre-prepopulate, next time another absentee notification needs submitted by the user. After the parent/caregiver selects 'send' they will receive an email with the details they have submitted.
Contacts	Contacts Contact details are listed for staff at Rāwhiti School. Tip: After selecting 'Contacts' use 'Filter,' or the drop down menu 'All Contacts' to quickly find the staff member you wish to contact. Teaching staff are organised into studio groups.
Links	Links Currently shows links to the school web site and facebook page. If a link is selected the user will go to the web site or facebook page.
Calendar	Calendar Links directly to the school web calendar. If the user selects an event this can then be saved to their own calendar on their device.
Newsletters	Newsletters Direct link to our school newsletters and if a particular newsletter is selected it will open on the user's device.
Term Dates	Term Dates User can view the school term dates for the year.
Class Blogs	Class Blogs RSS feeds from school blogs at Rāwhiti School. Tip: After selecting 'Class Blogs,' the user can use the top drop

	down menu 'Showing all' to view posts from a particular studio. If the user selects a post this will open up the blog on the users device
Alerts	Alerts Users can select what alerts they wish to subscribe too. Under settings users need to ensure that notifications have been switched to 'on' to allow them to receive alert notifications. Alerts can also contain a link to a web page.
Menu Maps Alert Subscriptions About this App Share Enlarge text size: App version: 1.7.3	 Hamburger, drop down menu to the left of the Homescreen Maps This currently shows our location and school layout. Eventually it will also contain an image of our enrolment zone. Maps can also be used for school events, for example a map showing the layout for athletics day. The Hamburger menu also gives users the option User can enlarge the text size and share the app with someone else.

Community Notices

(Notices placed here are contingent on space and do not reflect the views or opinions of the school.)

Bingo in Brighton

Ethel & Bethel Bingo in Brighton!

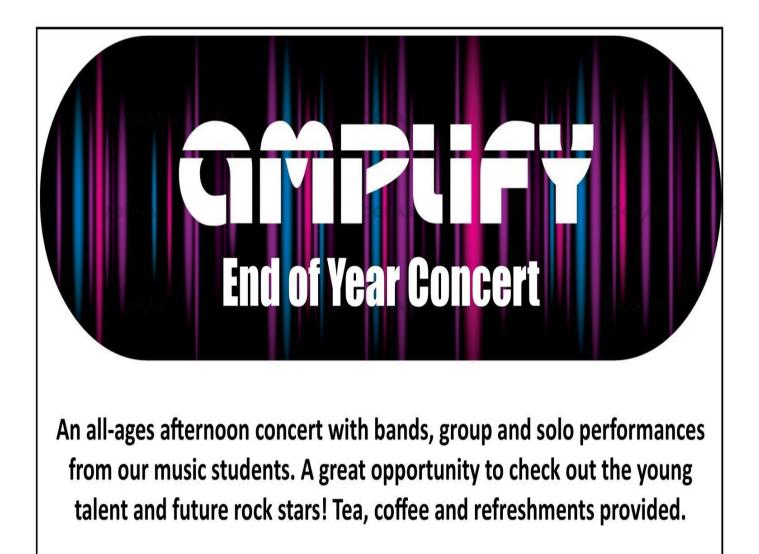
7pm, Saturday 10th December, Roy Stokes Hall. Book your sitters and dust off your curlers! This will be an awesome evening of entertainment with Ethel & Bethel Bingo babes!! And all helping New Brighton help itself. Tickets on sale at Bin Inn New Brighton and on Trade Me. This is an R18 event with licensed cash bar operating. Tickets \$20 each, includes light supper

This is a Fundraising event for S.U.R.F. Community Trust's 28 Day Projects (the beach wheelchairs etc). It is also raising funds for Christchurch Circus Trust.

During the evening we will have a wide variety of awesome raffles, giveaways, and auctions for you to participate in and have some FUN!

If you have a product, voucher, service, artwork...that you would like to donate to this fundraising evening, please...message us, or email surfcommunitytrust@gmail.com to organise pickup/delivery - thankyou very much for your support!

Bin Inn New Brighton and HAPA at The Tannery are both drop off points for any donated goods.



Saturday 26th November, 2:30pm-5pm

\$3pp Entry Fee. Kids under 5yrs Free

111 Seaview Road. Grace Vineyard Building





NEW BRIGHTON SPRING MUSIC FESTIVAL

Saturday 12 November From 11am to 7pm Former Central New Brighton School - Seaview Road, New Brighton

Tickets available from EventFinder

NO SMOKING *** NO ALCOHOL *** NO DOGS



LIVE MUSIC FREE KIDS ENTERTAINMENT/ACTIVITIES FOOD & DRINK Children (under 16) \$5 Adult \$10 Family (2 adults 3 kids) \$20

