



## From The Principal

Kia ora koutou

Yesterday we held a Wig Mufti Day to raise money for the Child Cancer Foundation. Unfortunately, cancer affects the lives of so many of our Rāwhiti families in some way. Yesterday I listened to one of our 7 year olds share her personal experience of cancer treatment with all of the other children in her studio, and a number of parents too. I think all of us were moved by her presentation. It was great to see so many of our children get behind this great fund raising cause and we are thrilled to have raised \$503.90 for the Child Cancer Foundation.

### Reverse Evacuation

Yesterday we had our first trial run of our Reverse Evacuation procedures for school. You may have previously heard this referred to as a 'Lock Down'. In certain situations it may be necessary to move, or keep, all students inside. These situations include severe storms, a major accident in the school vicinity, or other dangerous situations. The school has a detailed plan for these events, and will practise with students and staff twice a year. Unlike our other emergency procedures, the details for a Reverse Evacuation are not published on our School Docs site or made available to the wider school community. In the event of us needing to enact a Lock Down for any real reason then parents and caregivers would be notified via our School App and emergency text system. Please keep us up to date with any changes to your contact details so that we can keep you informed. If you have not yet downloaded our free school App then now is a good time to so.

### Lost, Missing or Stolen?

Almost daily we receive a message that a child at school has had something 'stolen' – their sweatshirt, shoes, lunch box, scooter or fidget spinner. The thought that someone has taken something that belongs to you is very upsetting for most people and we sometimes deal with very distressed children, and angry parents.

However, in many instances the missing items are quickly located in the lost property box or somewhere around the school grounds. I spent time last week helping a distressed girl look for her 'stolen' shoes, which we found under the sofa in her learning studio where she had put them after the lunch break. When you lose your sweatshirt or scooter – it's not stolen. It could still be in the place you last used it.

Unfortunately, we do have a few children who do not understand that 'finders keepers' is not the law. Theft by finding occurs when someone who chances upon something that does not appear to have an owner, takes possession of it but fails to take steps to find out whether the item does actually belong to someone. A good example of this is when a scooter is left at school overnight and someone removes it from the school grounds and takes it home for their own use. Or an item of school uniform is found and the name tag of the owner is removed.

Fortunately for us, most of our community are really good at returning things that a child brings home that does not belong to them. Please encourage your children to return anything that you may find at home that does not belong to them. It's an important lesson to learn, and another good example of acting with Integrity – doing the right thing even though no one is watching.

Invariably, things will go missing or be lost at school – but there is never a reason for things to be stolen.



## Last Minute Reminders.....

- All whānau Māori are invited to our first Whānau Hui tonight. Kai from 5.30pm, hui at 6pm. Email [helen@rawhiti.school.nz](mailto:helen@rawhiti.school.nz) if you have not yet told us you will be coming.
- Working Bee on Sunday from 10am. Get your gumboots on and we'll see you there.

Nga mihi nui

Liz Weir

Principal

## What's coming up?

June	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Maori Whanau Hui	5.30pm
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Working Bee	10.00am – 3.00pm
	27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Rongo-Ma-Tane Learning Conf	3.30pm – 6.00pm
	27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Haumia Tiketike Learning Conf	3.15pm – 5.45pm
	29 <sup>th</sup>	BOT Meeting	6.30pm
July	5 <sup>th</sup>	Learning celebrations	2.00pm – 2.50pm
	7 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school assembly End of Term	9.15am – 10.15am



## Principal Awards:

Rongo- Ma- Tane: Izak, Kayden  
Haumia Tiketike: Levi

## School Notices

### Working Bee – this Sunday

Are you able to spare an hour or part of your day to help with some outdoor jobs? The PODS have arrived from ReStart Mall and our bike track is in need of some landscaping. We would love for you and your family to come and give us and the Greening the Rubble team, a hand with digging, moving soil, planting, mulching and gardening to finish off these spaces for our students to enjoy. If you can bring tools, that would be a great help; however, we will have some tools here and many jobs just need a willing hand.



### Year 1-4 Cross Country

Well done to all students in Year 1-4 who participated in the school cross country yesterday. It was great to see so many parents, grandparents and extended whānau come along to support and cheer on everyone.





### Child Cancer Wig Day

Thank you for making a Wig Difference. Yesterday our school took part in Wig Wednesday. We managed to raise \$503.90 for Kiwi kids with cancer and want to thank everyone for the support shown to Child Cancer Foundation.

Child Cancer Foundation provides one-to-one, personalised support to Kiwi children diagnosed with cancer and their family. Child Cancer Foundation aims to ensure children and their families are supported, informed and remain connected at every stage of their cancer journey.

### Christchurch Primary Schools Cultural Festival

Tickets can now be purchased at the school office for this year's Cultural Festival. Rāwhiti School Kapahaka group will be performing at the **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August** evening show 6:45pm - 9pm at Horncastle Arena. **Tickets are available from the office until 30 June.** After 30<sup>th</sup> June you will need to purchase tickets directly from Ticketek. ~ \$15 per adult, \$8 per child, Under 3 on knee free.

A letter of commitment has been sent home today with your child. This is required to be returned by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June they will be excluded from the performing group.

Our Kapahaka group are working hard in their rehearsals to represent our school at this showcase event. We will be performing alongside St Patricks, Parkview, Oxford, Bishopdale, Cashmere, Burnham, Hoon Hay and St Albans schools.

### Playing with Ideas Learning Celebration - Wednesday 5th July

This term our learning has been focused around Science and Technology. Students have been learning about the design process, prototyping, experimenting with ideas, testing theories and creating solutions and innovations.

Please join us at school on **Wednesday 5th July from 2-4pm.** This is an opportunity for parents and whanau to *play with ideas*, work with your children on some challenges and for studios to share their learning from this term. Have you been *playing with ideas* at home as part of the home learning challenges? If so, please bring these along on the day to share. We can't wait to see what you have come up with. It's not too late ...

- Design a pair of shoes to make you dance.
- Design and make your own unique fidget spinner.
- Build a device which will launch a table tennis ball into the air.
- Build a structure to suspend a marble by the longest piece of string possible.
- Build a track that takes a marble exactly 10 seconds to travel along.
- Design and make a lolly sorter that can separate Fruit Bursts, wine gums and M&Ms.
- Design a challenging skateboard ramp for a new park.
- Design and build a device that lets you grab different objects and drop them into a container that's at least a metre away from you.

### Winter Sport Results and Draws

Visit the link below for the weekly sports draw and results

<http://www.easterncommunity.co.nz/programme/rcsi-sport-cluster/>

### EPro8 Challenge

Zoe, Josh, Taylor and Shaun represented our school at the EPro8 challenge held at Chisnallwood Intermediate School on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June.



### Dancing like the Stars

Some of our Year 5/6 students from across the school have been busy training and working with a professional dance tutor this term, choreographing our school item for Dancing like the Stars. Rāwhiti will be performing our modern dance routine alongside performances from Linwood Ave, Wharenuui, Waltham, Gilberthorpes, West Spreydon and Bamford schools on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 6pm at the Isaac Theatre Royal. Information regarding tickets for this has gone home with the students involved.



### **Guardians of Rāwhiti Domain Planting Day**

Sixteen students from Tāne Mahuta assisted with the planting of daffodils and bluebells at the Rāwhiti Domain on Friday the 16th June as part of the butterfly park. Students enjoyed being part of this venture and learnt how bulbs should be planted. We look forward to seeing them bloom.



### **Community Notices**

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

### **Rawhiti OSCAR July School Holiday Programme**

New hours Monday – Friday 8am – 6pm with half days available.

Great rates with special pricing for families. OSCAR subsidies are available. Plus we will match other fees, come and see us.

Rawhiti OSCAR will ensure your children are well looked after with a range of activities including outings, and sports and games with qualified sports instructors.

Please phone Sandra on 027-464-0005 or email [sandra@rawhiticommunity.co.nz](mailto:sandra@rawhiticommunity.co.nz)

We are a not-for-profit organisation who have been operating in the Eastern community for many years to provide after school and holiday programmes for the East.

[www.easterncommunity.co.nz](http://www.easterncommunity.co.nz)

### **Youthtown Holiday Programme.**

Fun workshops, daytrips, horse riding if you want more information and to book online visit:

[www.youthtown.org.nz](http://www.youthtown.org.nz)