



From the Principal
Kia ora koutou

Thank you supporting us by keeping your children at home today while the staff took part in professional development. New learning is as important for teachers as it is for children, and our time spent working together today is all part of our preparation for working together on one site next year and having a shared language for learning at Rāwhiti. We look forward to working with some of you at our Growth Mindsets parent seminar this evening.

Rāwhiti School Face Book Page

A number of parents have contacted us throughout the year to make us aware of comments being made online and to share their concern about the way the school and our families are being criticised at times. We are aware that there are two Facebook pages that include Rāwhiti School in their name. Our official Facebook page can be found at [facebook.com/RawhitiSchool](https://www.facebook.com/RawhitiSchool) or you can follow the direct link from our school website www.rawhiti.school.nz. We do not administer, view or contribute to any other page and therefore information shared on any other page is not endorsed by the school.

We always invite feedback, both positive and negative, on the performance of the school, as we are accountable for the learning and well-being of Rāwhiti students. We will not respond to issues via social media, however our door will continue to be open for Rāwhiti School families to ask questions and share any concerns.

Uniform Update

The uniform committee have established a brief based on the responses from the children and the community to the uniform survey. The feedback was about creating a vibrant, hard-wearing and cost effective uniform. The uniform committee, made up of two BOT members, two PTA members and two staff members, are currently meeting with a range of suppliers to look at the quality of their apparel, their ordering and supply processes and pricing and is hoping to have a proposed uniform for BOT approval by the end of this term. We are all very much looking forward to our 'real' Rāwhiti uniforms. Please note that there will be one final order of the current tee-shirts, see the information on page 2.

Neighbourhood Watch

Our building site on Leaver Terrace is now under 24 hour video surveillance following some weekend vandalism. We really appreciate our school neighbours keeping a close eye on happenings. We don't want anyone or anything to get in the way of our building timeframe! If you spot people inside the fences in the evenings or at the weekend please contact the police directly.

Next time you are on the QE2 Base please take the time to check out the amazing mural in progress on Rooms 7&8. The amazing Ali Simpson has been working with these Year 2/3 children to create a brighter environment. Wonderful work.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa
Liz Weir





These children have shared fantastic work with Liz, Paul or Helen this week.

Q 2: Freya, Arnica, Lilly, Lachlan, Ruby, Ava

Q10: Samuel, Bella

Q11: Audrey, Amy, Riley, Maea

Q8: Mailli, Callum

Q5/6: Amber, Samisoni, Ashton, Ari, Abe, JayJay

B6: Ethan, Taylor, Deegan

Calendar of Events



June

- 18 **Teacher Only Day – School Closed**
- 18 Parent Seminar 'Growth Mindsets' 7pm QE2 Base
- 21 **PTA Quiz Night** 7pm at One Good Horse
- 24 PTA Meeting 7.30pm
- 25 Whole School Assembly 11am Roy Stokes Hall
- 25 BOT meeting 6.30pm

July

- 2 Newsletter, including property update.
- 3 End of Term 2.

SCHOOL NOTICES



Reading Recovery Celebration Lunch

On Monday Nevaeh, Moleli, Anaru and Codie went to Subway to have lunch with Liz and Clare to celebrate their success in Reading Recovery. We are really proud of the progress they have made, and for being our first Rāwhiti graduates.

Basketball

The basketball team won 22-6 this week against Queenspark. We have now won all of our games this season. The team has only been playing since the start of the year. We had a great game last night, thank you to Willie who took the team.

Canterbury Rams come to Rāwhiti

For the past 6 weeks the Canterbury Rams have been coming to QE11 base to teach the year 7/8 basketball team some new skills. The two players that have been coming are Jermaine and Ethan. The two of them have been inspirational to the year 7/8 and they have had lots of fun with them.
By Alan (Year 8 student)



Basketball

Last night our basketball team had a great game we won 36-8. Alan had a really good game and all the girls were great. It's all about teamwork and I'm glad we have a great team. We are unstoppable just now which is great!
By Luke B (Year 8)

Here are some more team scores from last week for you to enjoy:

Netball:	Year 7/8 A team won 6-4, an amazing game with lots of fun involved .	
	Year 5/6 Rāwhiti Green netball Won 18-3	Year 7/8 Netball B Lost 8-1
Soccer:	Year 5/6 Rāwhiti Purple Lost 8-2	Year 7/8 Lost 5-0
Rugby:	Year 5/6 Rāwhiti Blue Won 62-4	Rāwhiti Black won 92-0
Hockey:	Year 7/8 hockey team Won 5-1	

School Tshirts

We are going to place our **last order** for this year for the green and purple t-shirts. If you wish to purchase one at \$15-00 each please call into the school office to place an order for your required size (with payment) before Wednesday 1st July.

Thank you from the Support Staff

Thank you to the staff and students who put on morning tea to celebrate Support Staff Day last week – we were made to feel really special. Thank you also for the little gifts of photos and flowers. The support staff love helping out all the students and staff. Thankyou to all the classes who made us cards you are all so clever, to the parents who posted such lovely messages on our school FaceBook page, also a big thankyou to Lovely Liz for the coffee vouchers.

Absence Messages

If for any reason you intend keeping your child away from school please phone 388 9519 and leave a message on our school answering system. We really appreciate when you do this as it really does save our office staff a lot of time when they don't have to make as many phone calls home. We are also noticing a number of children consistently arriving late in the mornings. Please ensure your child arrives at school in plenty of time to set themselves up for a day of learning.

Outstanding Accounts

We still have a number of fees outstanding for Year7/8 Technology payments. These fees pay for the materials and items that your child brings home from technology and they are heavily subsidised by the school. The MOE pays for the cost of transporting your child to the technology centre.

We also have some gymnastic, camp, and winter sports payments that are outstanding.

One option is Internet banking which is a great way to make regular weekly payments towards school expenses, please contact the school office to set these up. Our account number is 03 0814 0000333 25. Please use your child's name as a reference.

We are more than happy to work with you to ensure that no Rāwhiti child misses out on anything that is linked to our curriculum that has a cost associated with it. We are here to help.

Sausage Sizzle HELP!

Our weekly sausage sizzles are **very** popular at both bases. The children enjoy their yummy warm lunch at this time of the year, and parents enjoy having the day off making lunches. Rāwhiti School is so big these days that our regular sausage sizzle volunteers are finding it hard to cope with the demand all by themselves. We desperately need some helpers to assist them.

The PTA would like to appeal to all Rāwhiti whanau. Please check your diary and see if there is a time you could possibly help us out. **Even if it is just once.** Many hands make light work! It would be very much appreciated and would ensure the sausage sizzle can continue for the rest of this year.

- Taking Orders 8:30 - 9am
- Assisting with Cooking, serving & clean up 11:45am - 12:15pm
- QEII base - Thursdays
- Beach Base – Fridays

Please contact Louise and put your name down to assist. Email: pta@rawhiti.school.nz or text 021 2855 888
Thank you in advance, Your Rawhiti PTA



Staff Profile – Anne Westwood

I am Anne Westwood and I teach the New Entrant class and they are delightful!

It is my challenge to look for the positives in all of the many challenges I face this year, like moving to the other side of town while my house is earthquake repaired. I decided to treat it as a holiday and I am enjoying discovering new shops and exploring new walks each weekend. Major problems with EQR means I won't have to walk down twelve icy steps on frosty days as I now expect to be out of my house all winter. The fast drive to school along QE11 drive is another positive!



Staff Profile – Rachel Bourke

Kia ora. I began my teaching career in 1999, as a very mature first year teacher, and worked at Freeville School from 2001. I always wanted to be a teacher and used to play teachers with my dolls! Teaching has been one of the best things that I have ever done. I am a very proud mother to Ruth, who is also a teacher. One of the other best things that has happened to me is being a grandmother. I adore my twin grandchildren, Maddy and Finn who will be three next week.

I live with my husband Mike, who is working on the horizontal infrastructure, otherwise known as poos and wheeze, for our city. Most days I go to the gym to do yoga, Pilates, pump and spin, except at the weekends, when I walk the Harry Ell track, up on the Port Hills, very early every

Saturday morning, and swim very slowly, on Sundays, 40 lengths of the pool.

I am very excited about teaching next year in a brand new school.

Community Notices

MARIAN COLLEGE - ENROLMENT

Enrolments for Marian College close at 1.00pm, **Friday 31 July 2015**. Enrolment forms are available by phoning 385-8449, emailing exec@mariancollege.school.nz or downloaded from our website www.mariancollege.school.nz



The New Brighton Volunteer Fire Brigade is recruiting now. Join us for an open night on Monday June 22nd at 7.15 pm, 80 Hawke Street, New Brighton.
RSVP to Brian Jones on 027 240 4030.

July Holiday Programme Places Available

Places are available for these fun filled programmes running for the 1st week of the school holidays: Monday 6th – Friday 10th July. We run two programmes for two school year groups, Years 1-4 and Years 5-9. \$130 per week or WINZ subsidies available to working or studying parents. Activities include Living Springs, Theatre, Inflatable World, Mini Golf, Baking, Sports and more! For enrolments or to find out more visit the website www.yat.org.nz or contact our offices, 111 Seaview Road, New Brighton or call 388 1001.



Kidscan : Our Mufti Day Friday 26th June.

KidsCan is a charity that supports the education of thousands of disadvantaged NZ children, in hundreds of low decile schools nationwide. We give food, clothing, shoes and basic health and hygiene items directly to children in need in partnership with the schools they attend. By supporting National Mufti Day your school will help KidsCan to sustain its programmes and to support children waiting for our help.

Dog Training for Kids

Come and join the other kids in teaching your dog some manners, and tricks. It's easier than you think! 5 weeks of fun starting Wednesday July 1 at 6:30pm at the Blind Foundation, Merivale. More info and register: www.nakeddog.nz or ring 389 4065 or 021 82 DOGS (3647)
"I never thought that dog training could be so much fun!" Jenny, 11 years old.

July 2015 Programmes

Mainland Football outdoors

Age: 7-14 year olds.

Dates: 13, 14, 15 July

Times: 9-00am - 3-00pm

Venue: ASB Football Park

Cost: \$35 per day (\$90 for three consecutive days)

10% discount of second child when

Mainland Football have an inside facility suitable for inside activities. This includes indoor skills sessions as well as player development quiz's, presentations and task's. In case of bad weather please bring a towel and a full change of clothes as we try and get outside for some part of the day.

For more information: www.mainlandfootball.co.nz



The graphic features a white coffee cup with a spoon and coffee beans on the left. The text 'Coffee Morning' is written in a large, brown, cursive font. To the right is a red shield-shaped logo with 'THE SALVATION ARMY' written in white. Below the main title, the event schedule is listed in red text: 'Tuesday 16/6 2:30-3:30 QE2 Staff Room', 'Thursday 25/6 8:30-10:00 QE2 Staff Room', and 'Thursday 2/7 8:30-10:00 Beach Base Staff Room'. At the bottom, 'Everyone Welcome' is written in a large, brown, cursive font.

Coffee Morning

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Thursday 25/6 8:30-10:00 QE2 Staff Room
Thursday 2/7 8:30-10:00 Beach Base Staff Room

Everyone Welcome

THE SALVATION ARMY

School Contact Details

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