



From the Principal Kia ora koutou

Welcome back to Term 2. While I was disappointed to miss the foundation stone ceremony last Monday, being in Chicago at the American Research Association Conference was an amazing experience. To get a global perspective on developments in education and to be able to compare our context at Rāwhiti School with what's happening on the world stage was a privileged opportunity. All very useful learning as we work with our teachers on learning pedagogy consistent with co-teaching in specifically designed spaces.

Growth Mindset Opportunity for Parents and Whanau

As you know from our last newsletter the school will be closed for the day on Thursday June 18th while staff undertake professional learning about becoming a growth mindset teacher. I am delighted that James Anderson has agreed to run an evening session specifically for Rāwhiti School parents and whanau. As parents and teachers our mission is to develop children's potential – every word and action from adult to child sends a message. This session will focus on how we give messages that will create a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment. Please note this date – **June 18th** - and make plans to come along. Feel free to invite your friends and family. We will publish more specific details throughout the term.

Rāwhiti Policies on SchoolDocs

Recently, our school has been working with SchoolDocs to create a website for our policies and procedures. We are pleased to announce that the site is now live and available for our school community. The school works with SchoolDocs to maintain, update, and review our policies. SchoolDocs provides us with a comprehensive set of core policies that have been well researched and follow the Ministry of Education National Administration Guidelines, and these are modified and updated in response to changes in legislation, significant events, Ministry guidelines and regular review. We will advise you when policies are up for review and how you can take part in the review.

We invite you to visit the site at <http://rawhiti.schooldocs.co.nz/> (note that there's no "www"!). Our user name is **rawhiti** and our password is **East**.

Uniform Options

Our thanks to those who have already completed the uniform survey – which will remain open until May 8th. It is great to see so many responses, and so many ideas as to what our uniform could look like. We really want to create a uniform that is cost effective, stands out from other schools and, most importantly, is one that our children will love and will wear with pride. Please do let us know your thoughts.

Here's a picture of some of the stones that went into the foundations for our new school.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa
Liz Weir





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

Q2: Lyam, Ava, Freya

Q5/6: Ben, Meg, Ari, Clara, Zeth, Xzavyer, Olive, Rosie, Samisoni

Q11: Riley



Calendar of Events

1st May Beach Base Assembly 10-10.30am

11th May QE2 base Assembly 2.15-3pm

12th May Cross Country year's 4-8 11.00-1.00pm

14th May Mufti Day – Nepal Earthquake

19th May Zone cross country – 10.30-3.00pm

21st May Whole School Assembly Beach Base 11.00-1.00pm

SCHOOL NOTICES

PTA Sausage Sizzle Lunches

Rawhiti PTA is pleased to announce that "Sausage Sizzle" have started. They are being held each week on a **THURSDAY at QEII Base** (to accommodate the seniors technology lessons) and **FRIDAY at Beach Base**. Orders will be taken between 8.30 and 9.00 on the morning of the Sizzle - outside the staff room at QEII (in the kitchen if wet) and outside room 6 (in the office if wet) at Beach Base. Cost is \$1.50 per sausage. Please place your orders before school.

I am still looking for some parent helpers at QEII base so if you have 1.5 hours to spare on a Thursday once a month please contact me on 0212855888
Thanks so much.

Louise Wedlake (Co.Chairperson Rawhiti PTA)

Uniform Survey

Your child should have been given a uniform survey form for you to complete. Yours ideas and suggestions are valued, so please fill in the questionnaire and send back to your school office or you can fill in on line at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VHCSWXT> . Your responses are due by Friday 8th May.

School Contact Details

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Bus Code of Conduct

This form was sent home last term if your child travels by bus could you please fill in the form and send back to your school office.

This code of conduct is between Rāwhiti School, students who travel on the school bus and their parents/caregivers. It is important that students understand this document, which is to be adhered to for the safety of all students travelling on our school buses.

AGREEMENT

I, _____ (student) understand and accept the following school bus rules:

I WILL:

- Make sure I am at the school bus meeting point, or the public bus stop on time.
- Wait sensibly at the bus meeting point. (Keyes Road passengers should wait near the public bus stop, standing quietly on the footpath. **No scootering or skating around the bus stop**)
- Sit quietly in my seat.
- Stay in my seat while the bus is moving.
- Put my bag on the floor or on my knees.
- Make sure my scooter or skateboard is out of the aisle and secure.
- Walk quietly from the bus when I get off.
- Follow any instructions from the Bus Driver or the adult/monitor responsible for bus duty.
- Tell the bus monitor/adult in charge if I have a concern.

I WILL NOT:

- Eat or drink on the bus.
- Throw anything out of the windows.
- Distract the driver while the bus is moving.
- Be disruptive or annoying to other passengers.
- Damage or vandalise the bus.

If I misbehave on the bus, the bus monitor/bus driver may report it, and I may be shifted to a different seat on the bus, or excluded from travelling on the bus for a set time, or indefinitely.

Student: _____

Parent/Caregiver: _____

Date: _____

Sports News

Congratulations to the Rawhiti Indoor Soccer team for their recent 2nd placing for their season. This awesome team played 17 games, and won 12 of them, showing lots of toughness and skill in lots of challenging, close games. Great work Makoia, Zoe, Sophie, Ciaran, Nathan, Ryan and Keiran.



Year 4-8 Cross Country

Hi all, Rāwhiti School's first Cross Country is coming up soon. This year we're all meeting at the beach, racing, and then having lunch and a play over the road at Thomson Park.

- Date is Tuesday May 12.
- Postponement is Wednesday 13.
- The race start will be on the beach near the North Brighton Surf Lifesaving Club, on Marine Parade by Bowhill Rd.
- We're aiming to start racing at 11:00.
- The first race is for Year 4,5 and 6, followed a separate race for Year 7/8.
- As runners finish they will directed into a chute so that their details can be recorded and places worked out.
- Competitors race against children from their year group not their age group.
- Year 4 compete in the school event, but not in the zone event the following week.
- Year 4,5 and 6 run a 2km course.
- Year 7/8 run a 3km course.

The aim is for competitors to set a personal best, therefore everybodys goal will be different, e.g. for some their goal will be to finish in the top 10, and for many their goal will be to run the whole way. We want this event to be super positive with tons of encouragement and cheering on, so please come down to support our runners!

Prizegiving and lunch will follow immediately after at Thomson Park.

Winter Sport Update.

Hi all, Winter Sport is coming up and lots of students are keen to play. We are hoping to be under way by Week 5, but the organisers have had a few hitches and we are not 100% sure on the start date and times yet.

We can tell you that the cost will be \$35 each. This covers some of the costs of paying the people who organize the draws etc as well as ground/equipment hire and purchase. The balance of the costs will be met by the school.

The school provides uniforms, and we also have a limited supply of boots and shinguards we can lend out for the season. Mouthguards are compulsory for rugby. Shinguards are compulsory for soccer.

Thank you very much to the parents who have offered to help. If you are available on Friday afternoons please get in touch with Andrew, Jenny or Nigel, the more help the better! Training will be during school time. The focus will be on steadily developing skills and understanding of how the game works

Community Notices

Get prepared to manage influenza this winter.

Talk to your doctor or school health nurse about the benefits of immunisation for your family

Influenza facts

- Influenza isn't just a bad cold – it can be serious and can kill
- A human sneeze can contain millions of individual influenza viruses
- Influenza virus can remain in the air for some time, so it can be very difficult to avoid
- More than 200,000 New Zealanders contract influenza each year. Of these, it's estimated that approximately 400 people will die either directly or indirectly as a result of influenza
- More than a million Kiwis get annual influenza immunisation
- Immunisation helps prepare your immune system to fight influenza
- You cannot get influenza from the vaccine
- Influenza immunisation is FREE for those most at risk

Rugby

Needed Under 12 Rugby players for New Brighton Rugby Club Please contact Amy 0273446831.
Thankyou

North beach childcare

North Beach Community Childcare Centre is now taking enrolments in the nursery.

We are a not for profit, licenced early childhood centre.

We are open 8.30-4pm. Fees \$5/hour

Contact Rachael 3881733 or pop into 150 Leaver Terrace.

Email nbccc@xtra.co.nz

Website northbeachccc.co.nz

Join the fun...

Being a Pippin with Girl Guiding NZ is a very popular choice for 5 and 6 year old girls and it is great to be able to offer the opportunity to more girls to join Rawhiti Pippin unit at All Saints Church, 305 New Brighton Rd, Burwood.

We meet on Thursdays at 4.30-5.30pm.

Guiding is about learning, developing self-confidence, making new friends and, of course, having lots of fun outside school!

Our programmes are provided in a fun, safe environment and girls get together each week with girls their own age to do lots of cool stuff like discovering nature, visiting interesting places, making crafts, playing games and more.

If you have a 5 or 6 year old daughter who likes to have fun then contact Jenny Brawley ph. 0220542093 or visit www.girlguidingnz.org.nz



Coffee Morning

Thursdays 9:10-10:10am
30/4 QE2 Staff Room
7/5 Beach Base Staff Room

Everyone Welcome


