



Rāwhiti School Newsletter 15: Aug 20 2015

From the Principal
Kia ora koutou



We are delighted to be able to share with you our new Rāwhiti School logo. Craig Burton, from School Branding Matters, took all of the ideas that were submitted by our community and has created the stunning image you see here. The three koru shapes represent the three original schools and they merge together to make a sun.

The sun is shown as a blazing fire rising up in the east, representing Rāwhiti School as a shining example of education in the east.

There is a oneness and harmony that this new day, and new school, brings to the community. The sun symbol is an imperfect circle, shimmering like the sun. It is a very organic shape and is shown slightly off centre, towards the east, rising above the horizon - to represent our vision of Rising Above the Ordinary. We believe that the logo symbol is bold, strong, simplistic and iconic, and will be easily adapted to whatever medium it is being produced on - uniform, stationery, website, signage and flag. The image will mean different things to different people. Talking to children after we had shared the logo in assembly this morning, they seemed pleased that it has 'waves' to show that we are a school beside the sea.



It will look great on our new school uniform - samples of which should be with us any day now.

Sporting Success

Last week I had a whole day without meetings, a rare occurrence I'm afraid, and I was able to go and watch our two Year 5 & 6 hockey teams play off in the final of the Friday inter school competition. The game went the way of the Purple team, who now head to the Canterbury finals. I also watched two basketball teams play last week in the Tuesday after school competition. We could not field teams in as many codes as we do without the amazing support we receive from parents who volunteer as coaches and team managers. These people give selflessly of their time to ensure that our children do not miss out on any sporting opportunities. Our sincere thanks to everyone who has assisted with winter sport this year - you are generous people and we are grateful to have you as part of our school community.

Staffing Changes

The Board of Trustees has regretfully accepted the resignation of Kat Kevey from her position as Year 7/8 Team Leader. Kat has been on an extended period of sick leave and, while we are disappointed to lose her after such a short time at Rāwhiti, we fully understand her decision to take time out to concentrate on getting back to full health. We are extremely grateful to Vicki Stevenson for filling in while Kat has been on leave, and we are really pleased that she has agreed to stay on in the senior learning team until the end of the school year to provide continuity in the team.

We also welcome Joyce Soosai to our junior learning team, which just keeps growing. Joyce is working alongside of Diane in Q2 and is well known to our children as a regular reliever and Rāwhiti parent.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa
Liz Weir



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

Room Q2: Lachlan

Room Q3/4: Darius, Layla, Luke, Ezekiel, Poppy, Kiiva, Maria, Corbin, Sophie, Chloe El, Lilly

Room 5/6: Will, Sid, Pepper, Ari, Olivia, Meg H, Amber McP, Anaru, Clara, Amber H, Olive, Rosie, Eva, Seth

Room Q7: Leo, Muika, Izzy, Jessica, Atlanta

Room Q8: Callum, Caitlyn, Kirsten, Nick, Matthew

Room Q9: Dexter, Ashton, Charlie

Room Q10: Sophie, Tara, Nastasiya

Room Q11: Riley, Anabelle, Brooke

Room Q12: Kowhai, Irangi,

Calendar of Events



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August

24 QE2Base Assembly 2.15pm

26 PTA Meeting 7.30pm

27 Winter Tournament Finals

28 Beach Base Assembly 10.00am

September

2 Beach Base School Photos-9-11am

3 QE2 Base School Photos- 9-11am

SCHOOL NOTICES

Rawhiti School Year 5-6 Hockey

This year we have had two hockey teams with 6 people in each team. Our Purple Team (The Purple People Eaters) have won every game we played. In the 9 games we have played we scored 101 goals and have had 9 scored against us. The Green Team (The Green Machine) has only lost one game and that was the game against our Purple Team. They have scored 73 goals and only had 26 goals scored against them.



At the beginning of the season we had lots of people in the team that hadn't played hockey before. They have all worked hard and have improved so much. At the beginning we never really had trust in each other but now we have learnt to communicate and work as a team.

We have one more game to play this Friday 14 August. We play on the top field at the Rawhiti Domain (in front of the Rugby Club rooms).

I am really excited that our Rawhiti School Team won the

Eastern Zone competition and that we are going to the Canterbury Competition on the 27 August.

By Alexsia

SCHOOL PHOTOS
BEACH BASE WEDNESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2015
QEII BASE THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2015

All students will have an individual photo taken, and each class will have a class photo taken. There is no commitment to purchase any of these photos of your child/ren. It is expected that all students are in the correct school uniform.

FAMILY PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN AT BEACH BASE ONLY

ON WEDNESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER

(For Year 7 & 8 students in family photos we will do these at QEII Base on Thursday 3rd as they have their ski trip on Wednesday 2nd.)

If you wish for family photos to be taken please complete the form below and
return to either school office BY MONDAY 31ST AUGUST.

It is really important that these forms are returned by this date.

**We WILL NOT BE able to co-ordinate students between bases if your form is returned after
MONDAY 31ST AUGUST**

Arrangements will be made to transport students from QEII Base to Beach Base on this day, once forms have been returned.



FAMILY PHOTOS 2ND SEPTEMBER 2015

I wish for my children to have their family photo taken on Wednesday 2nd September at Beach Base.

I am happy for them to be transported from QEII Base to Beach Base

Name: _____ Room: QEII _____
Beach _____

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Library Amnesty:

At the moment there are a large number of overdue books - some taken out in April and May.

Overdue notices are distributed weekly, with letters going home if they have been overdue for some considerable time.

Children, when questioned, quite often know where the books are but have forgotten to return them.

Could parents/guardians please help their child search and ensure that books found are returned to the relevant base library as soon as possible.

Thank you for your co-operation



2015 International Competitions and Assessments –

These competitions were developed by Educational Assessment Australia (EAA) and conducted in over 20 countries.

Congratulations to all the Rāwhiti children who entered these competitions and we want to commend the following children for their outstanding results.

SCIENCE

Skills assessed included observing and measuring, interpreting data, drawing conclusions and predicting, investigating, reasoning and problem solving.

Distinction:	Connor, Josh (Y4)
Credit:	Alex (Y7), Xander (Y5)
Merit:	Torin (Y8)

Sausage Sizzle

Sausage Sizzle is back on as of this week - orders from 08.30 on Thursdays at QEII and Fridays at Beach base.

Quiz Night

We have had to Postpone the quiz night until Sunday 20th September and will be holding it again back at One Good Horse in Parklands. If you are interested in joining us please email us at pta@rawhiti.school.nz or text me on 021-136-5391. Cheers!

Help

The learning studio need your help. We are using driftwood from the beach to make sculptures for the new Rawhiti School. These are some of the things we need:

- Paua Shells
- Wire
- String
- Nails
- Glue PVA/stronger glue
- Old mirrors
- Metal Pipes
- Old Surf Boards
- Fishing Line

Thank you for your help.

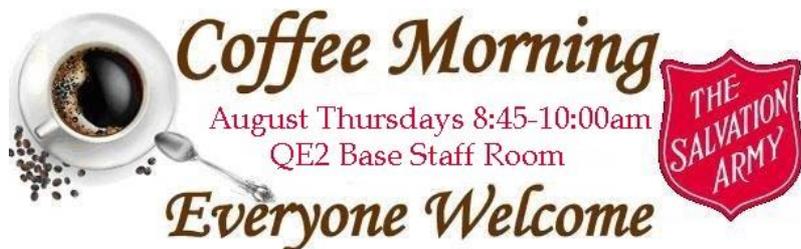
Community Notices

Kia ora all!

For those of you we haven't met we are Sara Mayer and Nakita Halleen and we are the Salvation Army School Support Workers for Rāwhiti School. We are privileged to be able to support the families, students, staff and school community. We often run coffee mornings on Thursdays which you are welcome to attend! You can reach us via email or you can call or text

Sara 029-771-2785 saram@rawhiti.school.nz

Nakia 029-771-2783 nakita@rawhiti.school.nz



CORE KIDS

The Salvation Army Linwood School Support Team runs an afterschool program on Thursdays, 3:30-5:00pm at 177 Linwood Ave. We make super awesome crafts such as these edible snowmen!

FRUIT & VEGE CO-OP

\$12 for approx **8kgs of fruit & veg**

Don't miss out on this healthy eating opportunity for you and your family.

Place your order with pre-payment Tuesday- Fridays from 10am to 4pm at St Faith's hall 46 Hawke Street New Brighton

Pick up your fruit/vegie bags the following **TUESDAY** 1-4pm. For more info contact Sara.

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