



Newsletter #6 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 3 May 2019

E ara ake ana i te ūruhi

Rising Above The Ordinary

## From The Principal - Te Pū kāea a te Tumuaki

Kia ora koutou

Welcome back everyone. I hope you enjoyed the holiday break with your children.

In the final week of last term we hosted a team from the Education Review Office (ERO) who were here to complete the first full review of our school. In our short life as a school we have had a Readiness to Open review (late 2014) and an Assurance Audit (early 2017). While we won't have a final report for a few months yet, the initial feedback to the Board of Trustees has been extremely positive. ERO commented on how well our staff and our tamariki work together to create a caring, collaborative and inclusive learning environment. They were also complimentary about the range of innovative, meaningful learning experiences teachers are making available to children. There have been four years of hard work by both the board and the staff to ensure this school is a place we can all be proud of, and I am really looking forward to sharing the full report with you when it becomes available.

## **Staffing News**

At the end of last term we farewelled Judith Boeren from the Tane Mahuta teaching team. Judith is off on a big overseas adventure in June. However, this week we welcomed her back to the Tawhirimatea team for six weeks to cover Paula Redmond's sick leave. Paula had unexpected surgery earlier this week, and we are all sending healing thoughts her way.

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#### MAY

8th 1.30pm School Early Close10th Careers Expo (Tangaroa)13th Cross Country, 10am

17th Pink Shirt Day

21st Zones Cross Country

22nd BOT meeting24th Junior Assembly

27-31 Samoan Language Week31st Whole School Assembly







## From The Principal— continued ...

Michelle Cochrane has joined the teaching team in Rongo ma tane. Michelle is an experienced early childhood teacher and we are excited to be adding her skill set to our junior learning team. Welcome Michelle, we hope you enjoy your time with our littlest learners.

## **Winter Sport**

Winter sports gets underway at the end of this month. It is always our goal to include any children who would like to be involved. To achieve this, we definitely need parent and community helpers to ensure we can field as many teams as possible. You do not have to coach a particular sport, we welcome anyone who is keen to accompany a team on Friday afternoons as a supervisor. You might like to team up with another parent and share a team. Further on in this nows

supervisor. You might like to team up with another parent and share a team. Further on in this newsletter you will find information about the sports on offer and the number of helpers we need.

We would also welcome assistance from parents who would like to support the sports programme we offer here at school for those who are not keen on taking part in the weekly tournament.

#### **Board of Trustees Elections**

If you are at all interested in standing for the Board of Trustees at the upcoming elections please do not hesitate to get in touch. I am always able to make time to talk with you about the role of the board and the vital work they do in our school.

## Ngā mihi nu nui ki a koutou Liz Weir

## Principals Awards Ngā tāonga a te Tumuaki

## Rongo mā Tane

Luca C, Sophia-Jane, Ben x2, Jake, Rangi, Tupara, Chelsea B, Fletcher, Charli, Josiah, Sakura x2, Jeremiah x2, James D, Alex V-T, Mayan, Sophie B-S, Azaliyah, Bentley, Carys x2, Lexie

## Papatuanuku

Benji, Amahri, Anika

# Ata Hapara

Emma-Rose, Ihaia



#### **Out Of Zone Enrolments**

A reminder that if you are living out of zone, or you know someone who does, and are wanting to apply for an Out Of Zone placement at Rawhiti School, the ballot for starting in Term 3 closes on Wednesday 27th May 2019 at 4pm.

All applicants will be advised the following week if they were successful in getting a placement in Term 3.

Any questions relating to out of zone enrolments, please talk with Kim at the office.

#### Manaiakalani Parent Ouestionnaire

As part of our school's involvement in the Manaiakalani Outreach Programme, Woolf Fisher Research Centre is collecting information about parents' understanding of the impact of the Manaiakalani learning process - 'Learn, Create, Share' on their child's learning. This information adds to the big picture research around our learners' progress and achievement.

You can complete the short survey before Friday 24th May by following the link below:

#### Parent Questionnaire



#### **New Enrolments With Siblings Here**

For parents who are currently living <u>out of zone</u>, please remember that even if you have children attending Rawhiti School you will still need to apply for the out-of-zone ballot for any siblings you need to enrol.

As mentioned earlier, for any new children expecting to start in Term 3, whether there are siblings

already here or not, the out of zone ballot closes on the Wed 29th of May.



#### Winter Sports

This year we are again participating in weekly Winter Sport. Each week our year 5/6 and year 7/8 students will play teams from other schools on a Friday afternoon. Last year we trialled Circus School which was very successful and this year we are introducing another option—Capture the Flag.

After asking the students what they would like to do, and coordinating with the organisers to see what will work with ground availability and team numbers, we are going to enter the following teams:

#### Year 7 & 8

Capture the Flag 15 a side - 1 team Circus School - 20 students Netball 7 a side - 3 teams Football 9 a side - 1 team Hockey 6 a side - 1 team Table-tennis - 1 pair

#### Year 5 & 6

Capture the Flag 15 a side - 3 teams Circus School - 20 students Netball 6 a side - 2 teams Football 6 a side - 2 teams Hockey 6 a side - 1 teams Table-tennis - 1 pair Bowls - 3 pairs

**Dates:** Friday afternoons starting  $31^{st}$  May and finish either  $23^{rd}$  or  $30^{th}$  of August (depending on weather).

**Times**: Games run between 1pm and 2.30pm. **Venues:** Rawhiti Domain, CNB courts, Rawhiti School.

**Cost:** \$40 per child which is required to be paid by Friday 31st May. Please contact Cheryl if you wish to discuss this.

More details and permission slips will be coming home soon.

#### Reminder Of Uniform For Winter

With the colder weather approaching a reminder that children should still be wearing our regulation polo shirts and polo fleeces, or Senior Jacket for Y7/8 students and **anything BLACK on the bottom**. Children will be expected to remove non-regulation uniform items on request.

Students can wear long-sleeved thermal tops under their school shirt but they must be either black or white.

Students can wear black or white plain ankle or knee length socks or plain black tights.

There is a full list of uniform requirements on our website.

#### **Delays With Uniform**

We have been having trouble with supplies of some of our uniform (Size 6 fleeces and size 8 shirts). We've been told by our supplier that they won't be arriving until the end of May. However for those parents that have an order in for shirts, they are going to supply us with some plain purple shirts to get us by while we wait. They weren't able to provide a temporary solution for fleeces, but we may be able to help you with a second hand fleece if you have nothing. Or your child might be able to wear a thermal underneath their shirt while in class.

#### Senior Jacket For Sale

For Sale, size M senior jacket \$50. Please phone Jackie on 0225124741 if you are interested.

#### **Sports Uniforms**

If you have any sports uniforms at home, please send them to school so we are ready for the new season.

#### **Board of Trustee Elections**

Next week we will be posting out a parent election notice and the nomination form to all voters.

Please feel free to come in to the school office and check the roll to ensure you are eligible to vote. There will also be a list on the notice board of any candidates that are nominated for you to view.

The following ad will be placed in The Star also:

## Rāwhiti School Board of Trustees Election

Nominations are invited for the election of five parent representatives to the board of trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself. Both parts of the form must be signed.

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Friday 24 May 2019 and may be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

If an election is required, voting papers will be sent to all eligible voters.

Voting closes at noon on 7 June 2019.

Jude Bell
Returning Officer
Rāwhiti School
150 Leaver Terrace
North New Brighton
Christchurch 8083



#### **School Accounts**

School accounts are being sent home today. We thank you for your support in contributing towards your child's school activities.

You are welcome to make small weekly payments if this is more manageable for you and your family. The school office has eftpos available or you may find internet banking more convenient. Please put your child's name as your reference: Bank account: 12-3240-0211804-01.

#### **School Donations**

Each year we ask for a donation from each family to supplement the money we receive from the Government and from local fundraising. For the first time in 5 years the Board of Trustees has increased the amount of the school donation to \$60 for one child and \$100 per family. Donations are tax deductible and the office can provide you with a receipt to make this claim.

So what does that amount actually look like? Over a 40 week school year a \$60 donation equates to \$1.50 a week, just 30 cents a day. For a family attending Rāwhiti School the donation amounts to \$2.50 per week, just 50 cents per day. While this might seem like an insignificant amount, your support in this way is crucial as we endeavour to provide an extraordinary environment and extraordinary experiences for our children. Your contributions are always used to enable us to maintain activities greater than the government grants are intended for. Thank you to those who regularly support the school by paying a school donation.

## **Technicraft Activity Fees**

Technicraft costs for 2019 are \$18.75 per term or \$75.00 for the full year. The activity fee covers the cost of materials used by your child for the items they make at Technicraft on Thursday when they attend the Linwood College Technology Centre. The cost of the bus transport to Technicraft is funded by the Ministry of Education. The buses leave school at 8.30am so please make sure your child is at school early on a Thursday.

#### Mindful Mover Sessions for All Students in 2019

We have had the team from Mindful Mover, Erica and Johanna, teaching us how to bring mindfulness routines into the school day for student and teacher wellbeing. We will be heavily subsidising this but asking you to contribute just \$2.50 per term, or \$10 for the full year. Sessions are underway, so remember to ask your child how this is going.

#### Maths Whizz - Tāwhirimatea students

This year our Tāwhirimatea students will be participating in Maths Whizz. This activity cost is \$5 per term or \$20 for the full year. For more info about this please contact the studio teachers.

If you have any concerns or questions relating to your child's school activities costs please contact Cheryl in the school office.



# Rāwhiti School App - IMPORTANT!

You need to Update to the 'School Apps NZ'



Apple no longer allow apps to be published 'on behalf' of an organisation on the app store. To get around this School Apps NZ have

developed a 'container app' that they can load school apps into.

## What you need to do:

On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019 an alert was sent out to update the School App. <u>Please check your Alerts</u> and follow the instructions.

You will be prompted to download School Apps NZ.

Once updated check your 'Alerts' you may need to re-subscribe.

If you have a child in Year 7 or 8 make sure you select 'Technology Year 7 & 8's.'

Then remove the old Rāwhiti School app (with the Rāwhiti logo). This app will no longer receive any alerts or be updated with, for example, the school calendar.

If you are unsure of what to do, come to the library on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2.30pm – 3.30pm.



## NEW! Parent Library @ Rāwhiti School

Are you looking for something to read? We now have a parent library at Rāwhiti School.

Feel free to pop in on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2.30pm – 3.30pm and we can issue you a book or email suea@rawhiti.school.nz

We'll issue the book to you and send this home with your child.

#### New this week -

Sitting Still Like a Frog - Mindfulness Exercises for Kids (and their parents).

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# OPEN EVENING

MAIREHAU High School prides itself in knowing and valuing each student. We are a small co-educational school, focused on improving the academic achievement and well-being of our students.

We would like to invite you to our Open Evening on Thursday 30 May at 5.00 – 7.00pm pm to meet our staff and students and to look around our facilities at 440 Hills Road, Christchurch

If you require further information, please call the school on 385 3145, e-mail admin@mairehau.school.nz

or visit our website www.mairehau.school.nz



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"Kiwi soul, alabal vision"



#### Parent Information Evenings

(Meet Headmaster John Laurenson for an informal chat over a cup of tea or coffee)

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019 6.00pm - 7.30pm In the school library

#### **Community Open Day**

We would like to invite the community to come along and have a look at the new school. All Welcome.

Sunday 19 May 10.00am-12.30pm

#### SBHS Open Night

(for students and parents looking to enrol for 2020)
Thursday 23rd May 2019
6.30pm - 8.30pm
Commencing in the Main Theatre

#### C V Gallagher Trust Scholarship Exam

Thursday 9th June 2019
1.00pm - 3.00pm
Please meet at Reception by 12.45pm
Please register on the school website or at the school office

Travis Road, Christchurch Phone: 375 7057 office@shirley.school.nz www.shirley.school.nz



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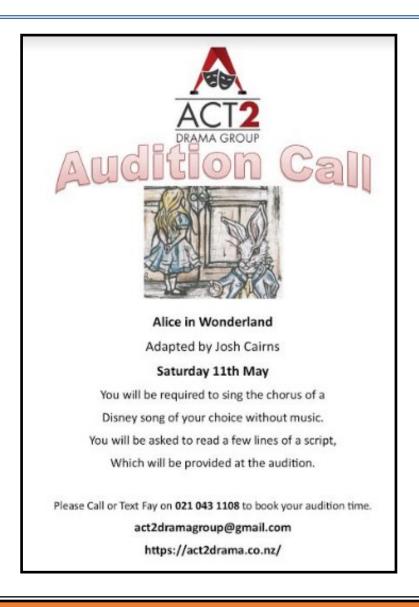
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Do you have tamariki keen to learn about coding and robotics? New Brighton Library is offering a term-long weekly Makerspace Club, starting on 7 May that takes children on a journey from the basics of robotics and coding through to the most advanced technology the library has to offer for ages 10-13 years.

Makerspace Club—Robotics New Brighton Library Tuesdays during term 2, starting 7 May 3.30pm—5.00pm \$20 per term

Phone: 941923 for bookings Be in quick as places are limited!





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# **INFORMATION**

## **MULTI-SPORT**

FOR PARENTS

Programmes run weekly on one day a week for one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

✓ Football

Basketball

✓ Hockey
 ✓ Netball

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

For year 0 - 6 students.

## DUE TO TARGETED FUNDING ACCESS THIS 7 WEEK

PROGRAMME FOR JUST \$55

Banks Ave School – Tues, 3.10pm to 4.10pm Hornby School - Fri, 3.10pm to 4.10pm Lyttelton Primary School Tues, 3.10pm-4.10pm

Parkview School - Wed, 3pm - 4pm Rawhiti School - Fri, 3.10pm to 4.10pm

Thorrington - Mon Lunch, 12.40pm to 1.30pm

Westburn - Fri, 3.10pm to 4.10pm Wigram Primary - Thurs, 3.10pm to 4.10pm

#### **BOOK EARLY & SAVE**

Use the voucher code 'earlybird' before 1st May to save!

Website: https://www.kellysports.co.nz
Contact: Julia Smith (administrator)
Email: chcheast@kellysports.co.nz

Phone: 021 0814 8755

Facebook: www.facebook.com/KSportsCHCH



Taekwon-Do classes for 5-8 year old students available. Call/text Angela Oliver on 021842011 or email <a href="mailto:info@pulsetkd.co.nz">info@pulsetkd.co.nz</a> to book your free trial as spaces are limited.



New Brighton Library will host New Zealand Women's Chees Champion and World Chess Olympian, Jenna Charamova, where she will play 12 chess opponents simultaneously! All are welcome to come along and see if they can topple this expert or look on to learn some techniques as 12 mini-dramas unfold.

Simultaneous Chess with Jenna Charamova New Brighton Library Saturday 11 May 1-3pm Free, no booking required

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**DRAMA CLASSES** – The Canvas Bag Drama School South Brighton is now taking enrolments for Term 2. Ask about a free trial class.

Drama gives children a chance to develop imagination and confidence in a playful social environment.

Experience leadership, comedy, improvisation, costumes, laughter, friends, and wrap it all up with a fabulous performance in term four.

All of our tutors are qualified teachers.

Classes run on Thursdays: 5 to 7 year olds 3.30

8 to 12 year olds 4.30

For more information: please email info@canvasbag.nz or Contact Gina Fowler

022 351 2519 or visit our website www.canvasbag.nz

