



Newsletter #11 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 26 July 2019

*E ara ake ana i te ūruhi*  
*Rising Above The Ordinary*

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

Welcome to Term 3. A warm welcome to everyone who is new to Rāwhiti School this term – including some new staff members.

Nikki Robertson has joined the teaching team in Papatuanuku to help manage roll growth in this area of the school and will be with us until the end of the school year. Anna-Belle Graham is on leave for the term completing the 10 week Kā Poupou Reo o Tahu course. One of our regular relievers, Willie Mous, is teaching for the term in Ata Hapara. Nicole Cunningham and Karl Kahi-Donaldson are both on leave for the first three weeks of the term and we have Lisa-Maree Nakon and Sharon Shimanski relieving for them.

### **Learning Conversations**

Learning Conversations are scheduled for next week and are the perfect opportunity to discuss your child's end of term 'snapshot' report and their current achievement levels in Reading, Writing and Numeracy. You will have seen that there is a space for you to record your questions at the bottom of the report – so please take the time to do this and bring it along with you. Teachers have also been working on a new way to share the learning that happens inside of our inquiry focus each term. Last term this was Social Studies based and we have created a Learning Story to share what your child did and what this tells us about them as a learner. You can still book a time by going to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and our code is **2cxyd** or click on this link: [Learning Conversations](#).

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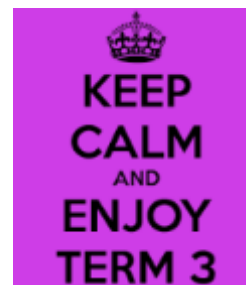
## **Mark Your Calendar**

### **JULY**

- 29th Canterbury Basketball Championships
- 30 July—1 Aug Learning Conversations
- 30th Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

### **AUGUST**

- 6th Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser
- 7th Out Of Zone Applications For Term 4 Close
- 9th KidsCan Crazy Day
- 10th PTA Quiz Night
- 15th BOT Meeting
- 16th Junior Assembly
- 22nd Canterbury Winter Tournament
- 23rd Whole School Assembly



***From The Principal— continued ...***

At some stage this term we will be practicing our lock-down procedures and testing some of the systems that have been amended after our March 15<sup>th</sup> experience. We will give you all plenty of notice as to when this is going to happen and will also prepare the children well in advance.

***Ngā mihi nu nui ki a koutou***  
***Liz Weir***

**Principals Awards**  
***Ngā tāonga a te Tumuaki***
**Rongo mā Tane**

Riley, Mackenzie, Sanchia x2, Harper x2, Eva, Chelsea x2, Nyah L x3, Sakura, Mira, AJ, Kobe, Jaxon B, Lilia P, Jeremiah x2, Jake, Aria, James D, Rangī, Dylan, Ben M, Anika, Amelia

**Papatuanuku**

Braxton, Archer P, Deacon

**Tawhirimatea**

Summah

**Success@Rawhiti****Bread Tags for Wheel Chairs**

Thanks to everyone for getting in behind this initiative. In our first three weeks we collected 1.3kg of bread tags!

Great stuff Rāwhiti – keep collecting!


**Relationship & Sexuality Education**  
**Information Evening**

For Parents of students in Years 5-8  
 Monday 5th August  
 6.30pm—7.30pm  
 Rawhiti School Library

This term Y5-8 students will be covering this topic in class. We believe this topic is best taught in partnership with whanau. Therefore, we welcome the chance to share the topics covered to prepare you for those tricky conversations at home!

Any questions about the evening, ask your teacher or email [sharont@rawhiti.school.nz](mailto:sharont@rawhiti.school.nz)

## PTA Quiz Night Donations

Our upcoming quiz night on Saturday 10th August has proven to be really popular and we are now sold out. Thank you to everyone who has booked a table.



If you aren't attending but would still like to help us out with our fundraising perhaps you might be able to donate a food item to help us keep costs down.

We are collecting the following:

- Canned tomatoes
- Canned chickpeas
- Corn chips
- Crackers of any kind.



If you have something you can spare then please drop them into the office before Monday 5th August.

If you are a business owner you might consider donating goods or services that we could use as a raffle prize. We gratefully accept prizes of any value and we'd be happy to promote your business in return. Please email [pta@rawhiti.school.nz](mailto:pta@rawhiti.school.nz) if you can help.

Our current fundraising goal is to help the school raise money to refurbish the front playground and landscape the area surrounding it.

Thanks so much for any support you can offer.

### A Big Thank You!

We just want to say a big thank you to Hamish Wright from Hattrick Services (Z New Brighton) for a generous donation to our school as part of the "Good in the Hood" promotion.



### New Sports Page on Website

Just a reminder that we have a new page on our website with all the information you will need if your child is doing winter sports. There are links to the draws, our teams and the grounds etc.

Look for this page under "General Information" then ["Sports"](#)

## SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Accounts have been sent home today. We appreciate your contribution towards your child's school activities. Payment can be made via internet banking 12-3240-0211804-01 or in the school office which has eftpos available. We welcome regular weekly or fortnightly payments.

**Winter Sport** is into its second term and the cost is \$40 per student. We appreciate prompt payment if you have yet to contribute towards your child playing winter sport.

**Basketball** for our seniors is an out of school activity and payment was part of your child playing. Please pay this as soon as possible.

**Maths Whizz** is a maths programme for our Tāwhirimātea year 5 & 6 students. The cost is \$5 per term or \$20 for the year. Your contribution is appreciated.

**Dancing with the Stars** was a great success. We appreciate your payment of \$10, if your child participated.

**Mindful Movers** is a programme your child will have, or is yet to be, part of for 2019. The cost of this is \$2.50 per term or \$10 for the year. This has been a great programme teaching your child calming and coping strategies.

**Technicraft** for our Year 7 & 8 students for Terms 3 and 4 is now one session only. The cost is \$11.50 per term. This cost covers materials that your child uses at Technicraft, and we appreciate your contribution towards this. If you have paid the full years fees at the beginning of the year you will notice a credit on your account of \$15.

**Seesaw & Hapara.** Seesaw is where students can "show what they know" using photos, videos, drawings etc. It's simple to get student work in one place and share with families. Hapara enables teachers to organise their students work, track their activity and progress. These fees have also been added to the accounts for terms 3 and 4.

If you wish to discuss your child's account please contact Cheryl at any time.

## Basketball Fundraiser

The Year 7/8 basketball team is fundraising to help us get to the Mainland Primary School Basketball tournament (South Islands). We are having a sausage sizzle for all classes on the 30th of July and the 6th of August. The sausages will cost \$2 each with the profit going towards our tournament costs. Orders (with payment) will be taken before school on the Monday and Tuesday morning before each sizzle. We will be located outside of the office.

Thanks for your support—Year 7/8 Basketball



# Rāwhiti School Library

The signage on the library shelving is now complete. Groups of students in Ata Hāpara, Tāne Mahuta and Tāwhirimātea were responsible for the artworks that made the signage for the Older Picture book area, non-fiction area and fiction area.

It's very rare to walk into a library space and find signage created by using student's drawings.



The ***Junior-non-Fiction Area – Take motuhake tamariki*** has been revived! This is a popular area for the junior students at our school. Students from Rongo mā tāne and Papatūānuku helped to draw all the wonderful pictures that were used to make the colourful signage.

We have purchased many new and exciting books!





On **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August**, our school is getting **#CrazyForKidsCan**. It's a nationwide fundraising day where students (and businesses!) are encouraged to wear something crazy.

Some suggestions are:

- A crazy hairstyle
- Some crazy shoes
- Or check out the Idea Generator.

Along with wacky dress ups, a gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated for KidsCan.

All proceeds help KidsCan provide the basics for Kiwi kids who need it most. This includes food at school, school shoes and socks, raincoats and basic health care products. A little crazy goes a long way for Kiwi kids in need. Thank you!

[www.KidsCan.org.nz/CrazyForKidsCanDay](http://www.KidsCan.org.nz/CrazyForKidsCanDay)

## IDEA GENERATOR

Take the first letter from your first and last name

A - AMAZING	A - APRON
B - BIZARRE	B - BOW TIE
C - CRAZY	C - CUPCAKES
D - DOTTY	D - DRESS
E - EDGY	E - EARMUFFS
F - FANTASTIC	F - FLIP FLOPS
G - GLITTERY	G - GLASSES
H - HILARIOUS	H - HAT
I - INTRIGUING	I - INSTRUMENT
J - JELLY	J - JACKET
K - KOOKY	K - KNITWEAR
L - LOUD	L - LEGGINGS
M - MARVELLOUS	M - MITTENS
N - NEON	N - NECKLACE
O - ODD	O - ONESIE
P - PURPLE	P - PYJAMAS
Q - QUIRKY	Q - QUILT
R - RADICAL	R - RAINCOAT
S - STRIPEY	S - SOCKS
T - TREMENDOUS	T - T-SHIRT
U - UNIQUE	U - UMBRELLA
V - VINTAGE	V - VEST
W - WACKY	W - WIG
X - EXCITING	X - XRAY
Y - YELLOW	Y - YACHTIE
Z - ZANY	Z - ZEBRA

## Online Gaming – Parent Information Presentation

Belfast School are holding an **'Online Gaming - A parent information presentation'** with Guest Speaker James Driver (registered psychotherapist).

This parent evening will focus on the impact of online gaming. James Driver will be the main speaker and following his presentation (approximately 40 minutes) there will be a panel question and answer session with James, Sandi (counsellor at Rāwhiti School) and Megan Robertson (Police).

Sandi will focus on how parents can reconnect with their children as they reduce the gaming time and Megan will share her insights about dealing with young people impacted by gaming. There will be some prepared questions to get things started.

If you plan on attending this parent evening can you email Kim at the office on or before Friday 26th July - [admin@rawhiti.school.nz](mailto:admin@rawhiti.school.nz)

### Online Gaming

A parent information presentation

Guest speaker James Driver (registered psychotherapist)

**Wednesday 31 July**  
**6:30-8:00pm**  
**Belfast School Hall**  
**700 Main North Road**

Online gaming (including Fortnite) is a popular activity for our young people.

What do we need to know as parents and teachers about the impact of online gaming?

Do you have concerns or questions relating to your child's online gaming habits?

The Student Volunteer Army and  
Citycare present:

FREE FOOD!

CONNECT THE COMMUNITY

27th JULY

NEW BRIGHTON!

Meet at The Old School at 115  
Hawke St at 9:00am-9:15am

STUDENT VOLUNTEER ARMY

The Student Volunteer Army is the largest club at the University of Canterbury. The SVA was initially formed in response to the 2010 and 2011 earthquakes. UC's student body was able to quickly mobilise a volunteering force that helped the East-Side clean-up. Since then, the SVA has continued to organise volunteering events so students can contribute to community.

**Our next event is going to be held right here in New Brighton and South Brighton, and we want your help!** This Saturday, the 27<sup>th</sup> of July we are hosting the Connect the Community volunteering event. We want to engage with the locals and help New Brighton folk engage with each other through some good hard mahi. Projects around New Brighton and South Brighton include various activities and more.

broad range of impacts.

We will work from 9:30am-12:00pm then at 12:30pm we will meet up at 'the Hub' situated at The Old School for some free kai and some awesome games and activities. 'The Hub' will have free candy floss, sausages in bread with sauce, sports gear, music, and a bouncy castle. Bring your families and children and have a great time. You can come to volunteer, or just come to 'the Hub' for food and fun, or you can do both @

**If you want to help volunteer, meet us at The Old School from 9:00am-9:15am so we can direct you to a project.**

If you have any questions please send them to our Facebook page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/StudentV>

Get involved – Do some good – Make some Friends – Have Some

## ***Community Notices – Ngā pānui a te hāpori***

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

### Kelly Sports Sports Clinics for Term 3

Kelly Sports is back for term 3 with our Play Like a Sports Hero theme.

This term our 7 week Sports Clinic will introduce skills and games associated with the sports of Handball, Rippa Rugby, Football and Hockey. This programme is designed for children in years 0-4 and is a great initial introduction to Sport, as well as skill enhancement.

To register and for more information please visit [www.kellysports.co.nz/christchurch-east](http://www.kellysports.co.nz/christchurch-east)

# Want to practice your reo?

Drop in for a kawhe and  
build your kōrero skills with  
fellow learners.

Free, no bookings required  
10–11am, every Thursday  
Starts 25 July  
New Brighton Library

