



Newsletter #15 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 20 September 2019

E ara ake ana i te ūruhi

Rising Above The Ordinary

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

Kia ora koutou, Over the past few weeks our children have taken part in a variety of cultural experiences. Our Ukulele group took to the stage in the Horncastle Arena for the 'Strum Strike Blow' concert, and last week it was the turn of our Kapa haka group to perform in the annual Cultural Festival. It is always a thrill to watch Rāwhiti children perform with such pride and confidence.

This week our Year 7 & 8 sporting enthusiasts took part in the three days of competition against South Island teams at the Koru Games. At the same time, our Year 4 children were taking part in an overnight stay at Rehua Marae. Senior students from our bilingual programme have been helping them prepare for their visit.

### Teacher Only Day Friday September 27th.

One final reminder from me that school will be closed next Friday, September 27th, for staff to undertake professional development together. This means that school will finish for the term next Thursday, September 26th. Please ensure that you have made alternative arrangements for your child.

### Planning for 2020

Although it is only September, our leadership team are already looking at school organisation for 2020. If you know that your plans for 2020 do not involve Rāwhiti School please take the time to let us know now by emailing admin@rawhiti.school.nz

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#### **SEPTEMBER**

24th & 25th Tāwhirimātea Visit To

Ferrymead

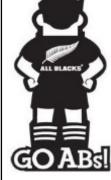
25th Out of Zone Ballot Closes

26th Last Day Of Term For Students

27th Teacher Only Day

#### **OCTOBER**

14th First day of term 4









### From The Principal— continued ...

Earlier this week a link to a Google Form was emailed out to Year 6 parents so that they can share with us their intentions for their child in 2020. This information is needed by us to be able to manage our staffing allocation for the coming year.

### **Staffing Appointments**

We would like to congratulate Talei Cordes (Tāne Mahuta) and Michelle Cochrane (Rongo-mā-tāne) on being appointed to our permanent teaching staff. We are fortunate to be able to attract teachers of their calibre.

#### Vandalism

This term we have had our external fire siren speakers stolen on three different weekends – which is very frustrating, not to mention expensive!

With the school holidays fast approaching, please help us look after our school. Feel free to bring your families in for a play in our grounds. If any neighbours or members of our community see anything that shouldn't be happening, please call the police or if not urgent email admin@rawhiti.school.nz so that we can follow up. We are fully alarmed and have security cameras on site, which means that if we have a day and time that something occurred then we can download security footage for the police. Thank you for your assistance - we always appreciate our community helping us keep our school a safe and happy one.

Happy school holidays everyone!

Ngā mihi nu nui ki a koutou, Liz Weir, Principal

### Principals Awards Ngā tāonga a te Tumuaki

### Rongo-mā-tane

Nyah L, Anameka, Izabella, Luca C, Evie, Meah, Mackenzie, Lucas F x2, Sanchia, James, Pippa, Chelsea x2, Kera, Layla x2, Anika x4, Harper x2, Jake, Luca H x4, Lexie x4, Jaxon B x2, Elijah x2, Austin, Tupara, Emil x2, Zavier C, Kingston, AJ, Vinnie, Bentley Hoogervorst, Lilia, Maddie x2, Aria, Eli G, Bentley Haines, Charlotte H,

### Ata Hapara

Lakyn



Bella-Rose



### **Clarification Regarding Socks**

Outside of the Learning Studios, children can either wear shoes or go barefoot. They are not to run around outside in their socks. This



is because we do not want them coming back into the Learning Studios with wet and muddy socks, or socks full of sand – which is what is currently happening. The only time a child would be asked to remove their socks inside is if they return to the Learning Studio after a break time with wet or muddy socks. This is to protect the carpet – and ensure it stays clean and dry for all children to sit on.

### SUCCESS@RAWHITI

Last weekend we had two staff members competing at a National level:

Courtney Ruske (Papatūānuku) competed in the New Zealand Road Race Championships in the 20km event. Courtney has been a NZ record holder over 10km and is hoping to qualify for the 2022 Commonwealth Games.



- Liz Weir performed in the finals of the New Zealand Theatre Federation One Act Play Festival in Wellington representing Riccarton Players. Their play, 'Fin and Euba' won both the Best Adult Production and Best Design categories.
- Sharon Thompson (Tangaroa) has passed her Level 1 Certified Educator 'Google For Education' Qualification.

In the 3 months that we have been collecting bread tags, we have kept a whopping 4.9 kg of bread tags out of landfill. There is a new collection box in the school office, which was custom made locally by Bernie at https://

www.footpathandbeyondsigns.co.nz/and funded by the Rawhiti PTA.

Keep up the great work and send those bread tags to school!

### Year 6 Students

If you would like to talk with the teachers in the Intermediate section of our school about how things might work for your child in Year 7 in 2020 then please feel free to contact the acting Team Leader, Sharon Thompson <a href="mailto:sharont@rawhiti.school.nz">sharont@rawhiti.school.nz</a> to make a time to connect.

### **Senior Jacket For Sale**

There is a senior jacket available for sale for \$50, size M. It was never worn but a name has been written on the inside. See the office staff if interested.

### **Parking Outside School**

The Board of Trustees has asked the Christchurch City Council to send parking wardens to enforce the parking restrictions outside our

school. This is because of the ongoing issues with drivers ignoring the yellow lines and parking time restrictions.





# Dental Care During the Holidays

The Community Dental Service will be providing dental care for children enrolled with our service during the upcoming school holidays. The clinics will offer treatment and relief of pain sessions by appointment only. To make an appointment please contact our Call Centre which operates between the hours of 8am and 5pm, Monday to Friday throughout the year.

The following Dental Clinics will be open during these school holidays:

- Woolston Clinic, 11 Hopkins Street
- Hillmorton Clinic, Hillmorton Hospital, Sylvan Street
- Ashburton Clinic, 38 Elizabeth Street, Ashburton
- Hornby Clinic, 2 Hei Hei Road, Hornby

The clinics will offer appointments between 8.45am and 3.00pm for school-age and preschool children requiring treatment.

If your child has dental pain as a result of an accident please contact your dentist in the first instance.

To book an appointment at one of our clinics please call 0800 846 983 or email:

commdental@cdhb.health.nz

### School Holiday Activities

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<u>Kelly Sports School Holiday Programme</u> <u>www.kellysports.co.nz</u>



SKIDS School Holiday Programme www.skids.co.nz



**Basketball Clinic** 

Y2-6

**CLICK HERE** to register

## **Lions Basketball**

### Skills Clinic

Dates: 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> October (Thursday/Friday)

<u>Time:</u> Year 2, 3 & 4 – 10:00am-12:30pm

Year 5 & 6 - 1:00pm-3:30pm

Cost: \$55 for both days per child

Location: Celebration Stadium, 81 Bickerton St, Wainoni

Please bring: Reversible singlet, drink bottle and size 5 basketball if you have one.

Lions Basketball Club is running a 2 day holiday clinic with a focus of developing young player's fundamental basketball skills in a positive and encouraging environment.

To register https://celebrationchurches.breezechms.com/form/455731

Each clinic limited to 60 spots so get in quick!

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### **Research Participants Wanted**

My name is Jenny Brown and I'm a PdD student at Canterbury University. I'm conducting research into the effects ongoing earth-



quake insurance claims have on mental wellbeing. Anyone can take part, including those who haven't had ongoing claims. It involves a 25 minutes anonymous survey. Once completed you can leave your email to go into a draw to win one of 8 \$50 Westfield youchers.

Here is a link if you are interested:

https://canterbury.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 0MnzXkqN9vRw 7GZ

Contact me on 0274246046 for more details. Kim in the office has an info sheet on the study.





At Barnardos Early Learning we are passionate about children! Our dedicated home-based Educators provide high quality education and care for children from 6 weeks - 5 years. Our Educators offer flexible hours, the comforts of home and nurturing relationships with the children. If you need childcare please text or call Amy Warwood our Early Learning Consultant on 0277078247 or email <a href="mailto:amy.warwood@barnardos.org.nz">amy.warwood@barnardos.org.nz</a>. Amy will run through the process for you and can answer any questions.

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<u>Link to September 2019 Tots</u>

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