

Newsletter #20 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 13 December 2019 E ara ake ana i te ūruhi Rising Above The Ordinary

From The Acting Principal - Te Pū kāea a te Tumuaki	Mark Your Calendar
 Kia ora koutou, welcome to the final newsletter for 2019. Another extraordinary year nearly done. Reports & 2020 Information Yesterday your child should have brought home an envelope containing their report (except Y1s in Rongo-mā-tāne) and information about their 2020 class placement. School will begin with Goal Setting meetings on Monday 3rd February and there is more information about this later in the newsletter 	DECEMBER Saturday 14th New Brighton Christmas Parade Monday 16th • Showcase Assembly • Ata Hapara Whanau Christmas Party, 3.30pm—5.00pm
STUDIO COMPOSITION FOR 2020 Rongo-mā-tāne (Year 1&2): Nicole Cunningham, Lisa Handley, Michelle Cochrane, Rachel Beaumont (Tues-Fri), Marcella Wood (Mon) Papatūānuku (Year 2&3): Helen Hogarth, Courtney Ruske, Brogan O'Neill, Nikki Robertson Ata Hapata (Year 1-8): Jasmine Stirling, Kylie O'Keeffe, Racheal Cooper, Karl Donaldson-Kahi Tāne Mahuta (Y4, 5, 6): Alison Beech, Eugene Bec- consall, Kathy Lumley, Talei Cordes Tawhirimātea (Y 4, 5, 6): Urmi Shah, Nigel Stewart, Sharon Robertson Tangaroa (Y7&8): Nogo Sipeli, Sharon Thompson, Andrew Redmond <i>continued on next page</i>	 Tuesday 17th Leavers Assembly, 6pm Wednesday 18th Poroporoaki including shared morning tea in each studio, 10.30am * All whanau welcome* 18th SCHOOL FINISHES, 12.15pm January 2020 30th & 31st Office open, 9am—12pm February 2020 3rd Goals For Growing Meetings 4th First day of classes, 9am start Powhiri/Mihi whakatau at 9.15am



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Final Assembly Tuesday 17th December, 6pm

We expect all children to attend our upcoming final assembly on December 17^{th,} which is scheduled for the early evening to allow families to attend. This special assembly is a whole school event at which we recognise a range of achievements, celebrate our year, and farewell our Year 8 students. It's a chance for us all to acknowledge our senior students and wrap up the year in a collaborative way. Children should come in their uniform and the usual running time is approximately 1 hour.

At the final assembly we will be farewelling our staff that are leaving us at the end of the year who are Paula (Tawhirimātea), Anna-Belle (Ata Hāpara), Kayla (Rongo-mā-tāne) and Jude Seeto (Learning Support).

New Feijoa Trees

We have two lovely new feijoa trees planted in our orchard, a very kind gift from Lewis (Year 8) and the Hawkyard family.

Year 8 Formal

Our Year 8 Formal Dinner was held last night. The students all shared a meal together to celebrate as a group the end of their time at primary school.





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Rumbustification Day

What a great day with lots of activities on offer. The children have had lots of fun at the pool parties, water-gun fights, badmintion, karaoke, crafts, treasure-hunting, Minecraft, photo booth, games, sports activities just to name a few. The Pedalmania recycled bikes and Cheapskates were popular activities. We also had students working alongside a stone carving artist sculpting from limestone.



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Dogwatch

Thank you to everyone who recently supported the Dogwatch fundraiser junior disco organised by Riley, Holly, Callum and Matthew from Tangroa. They donated a large box of dog food and \$486.60. What a great effort!

Road Safety

There are a number of children who walk and scooter to school without parent supervision - please make sure that

your children are aware of the risks, and know how to cross road safely. This week we heard of a 'near miss' where a Rawhiti School child scootered out in front of a car.

Using Our Grounds Over The Break

Everyone is welcome to use the grounds during the break however if you see anyone not respecting our grounds, or have climbed the fence into the pool, please feel free to

contact the Police on 105 to report what you have seen or contact 111 if you think someone needs to come immediately.

Congratulations Talei!

Congratulations to Talei, Tane Mahuta, who has achieved her Full Tacher Registration.

Lost Property

There are large piles of lost property in each of the studios. Please check these and see if any belongs to your child. Any unclaimed items will be taken to the clothing bins.

Showcase Assembly

Our annual Showcase Assembly is happening on Monday 16th December from 1.30pm—3pm. This provides an opportunity for our children to share their talents and will include performances from kapa haka, Pasifika, singing groups and Amplify music students. As always all the Rāwhiti Staff have been working on an end of year item—I wonder what it will be this year?!

Accounts

Accounts were sent out again earlier this week. If you have any money owing, please try and settle before Wednesday.

Thank you for all your support throughout the year. Wishing you a safe and happy holiday. Ko koe ki tena, ko ahauki tenei kiwai o te kete.

Helen Parata Acting Principal





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Principals Awards

Ngā tāonga a te Tumuaki

Rongo-mā-tane

Nyah x3, Ruby, Bentley Haines x4, Sanchia, Thea x2, Payton, Lilia P x2, Maddie x2, Layla P x3, Eden B, Maniya, Chelsea B x2, Pippa, Mackenzie x3, Indie x2, Zediah, Jeremiah x3, Ashley J, Lexie T, Bentley H, Kobe x2, Emil, Carys, Harper, Evie, Ben x2, Vinnie x2, Austin, Jaxon B

Tawhirimatea Nikita, Summah





SUCCESS@Rāwhiti

Congratulations to Paige and Maeve who were in the winning team, 1st place, under 8's Relay in Surf on Sunday 1 December. What a great effort!!!



Office Hours and Emails



The school office closes on Wednesday 18th December

at 12.30pm and will re-open on Thursday 30th and again on Friday 31st January from 9am-12pm. From Monday 3rd February the office will be open normal hours, from 8.30am— 4.00pm.

Emails sent to staff and to the school office will be checked throughout the holiday period but please do not expect an instant response.

Poroporoaki—Wednesday 18th December, 10.30am start with shared kai

A poroporoaki is a farewell ceremony and can be at the conclusion of a hui or at the end of school year. It is a chance for everyone present to acknowledge and express their thanks, thoughts, feelings and opinions and to reflect on the school year that has been, in a face-to-face situation.

Parents/caregivers/whanau are invited to attend and this year we are adding shared kai, starting at 10.30am.

The format will be:

- Shared kai
- Greeting/Welcome by Team Leader
- Staff will outline the procedure and purpose, give a brief overview of the year, and fare-well those who are leaving. Students and whanau will be invited to respond.
- Open the floor to students and whanau members to speak
- Studio teachers and staff to speak
- Closing karakia/farewell gestures by staff.



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Student Chromebooks

DATE CHANGE: We have just been advised that the cutoff date to order a student Chromebook for the start of the school year is **Friday 13th December 2019**.

If you order after this date you may get the Chromebook in week 2 or 3 of Term 1, 2020. You can order via the Uru Manuku site and pay the money to the trust in January 2020.

Orders can still be received by Uru Mānuku after Friday 13th December but if you wanted a Chromebook for your child for the start of term then order on/before Friday 13th December.

Purchase bundle includes:

- Acer C733 Chromebook
- 3 year manufacturer warranty starts Jan 2020
- Bag Targus Education Work-in Clamshell with 3-year manufacturer warranty.
- Accidental Damage, Loss or Theft Insurance*starts Jan 2020 for up to 3 years with \$zero excess. Includes two Repair Claims and one Replacement

<u>Ura Mānuku website</u>

Why School's Manage Chromebooks

If you have any questions email: elizabeth@rawhiti.school.nz

Christmas Raffle

Thank you to all the children and parents who sold the Christmas Raffle Tickets this year. The draw has

been done and all winners have been notified by the PTA.

The final amount is yet to be confirmed but it looks like it will be over \$4000 which is a great effort so a big thanks from the PTA to everyone. Prizes are being awarded to some children at the Showcase Assembly.

OSCAR On Last Day Of School

The Oscar van will pick up from Rawhiti at 12:15pm on Wednesday 18th December.





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Goals For Growing/Goal Setting Day—Monday 3rd February 2020

We will be starting the 2020 school year with **'Goals For Growing'** meetings on Monday 3rd February 2020. While this is our first day of school for the year, children are only required to attend their **'Getting Connected'** meeting with their parent/s and teacher. This year we are asking parents to book a specific time for the meeting. Please click the following link which applies to you:

Rongo-mā-tāne

All other studios EXCEPT Ata Hāpara AND Year 8s

NOTE: Ata Hāpara are starting with a whole studio whanau breakfast hui starting at 9am—just turn up, no need to book.

Year 8 students are only required to turn up at 1pm in Tangaroa—no need to book a meeting. Meetings will run for 30 minutes (or 60 minutes for Rongo-mā-tāne meetings).

We do understand that some of you may find it difficult to attend so you are welcome to arrange this directly with the studio teachers using their school email address as contact. You will find teacher email addresses on our school website or included in the info pack sent home at the end of 2018.

Meeting Format

Teachers will start the meeting by showing you around the Learning Studio then sharing information about the programme, routines and expectations.

This will be followed by time for children and parents/caregivers to complete an individual profile sheet. These are not parent interviews.

Children do not need to wear uniform for the 'Goals For Growing Meetings.

School will begin for full instruction on Tuesday 4th February at 9am. There will be a short mihi whakatau/welcome for new students and their families at 9.15am.



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Are you looking for quality preschool spaces for 2020?

North Beach Community Preschool has a number of spaces available in our preschool starting early 2020.

Due to a number of children going to school next year we have opened our waitlist for a limited time only.

We offer part/full days (open 8a.m - 4p.m), affordable fees and 20 hours Free ECE.

Please contact Rachael Vincent, Centre Manager for any enquiries nbccc@xtra.co.nz/0272388173 or feel free to pop in for a visit at any time.

A week filled with dance, crafts, makeup, performance and more. Your child will love their week spent creating and exploring the different details that create a show. On Friday afternoon there will be a performance for family to come and watch.

Details Monday 20th - Friday 24th January 9am - 4pm Ages 8 and up No dance experience necessary

Click Here To Enrol

Tutors: Meri Bonet - dance, choreography Sara Anderson - dance, crafts Jenny Payne - singing

Price: Early bird discount \$255 if paid by in full by 11th January \$300 if paid after this date (prices are for one child for the full week, including all materials needed)

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