



Newsletter #23 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 23 October 2020

E ara ake ana i te ūruhi
Rising Above The Ordinary

From The Principal - Te Pū kāea a te Tumuaki

Kia ora koutou, Welcome to term 4. I hope you managed some time with your children over the break. During the break I joined many other New Zealanders in exploring our own country, spending a week in Northland visiting Cape Reinga, Tane Mahuta and the kauri forest, the Waitangi Treaty Grounds and scenic Bay of Islands. What an incredible country we live in.

We were very excited to come back to school and see that work was underway on the redevelopment of the adventure playground at the front of the school. This project is being jointly funded by the Board of Trustees and our hardworking PTA, and I know the children are particularly looking forward to the new swings. Here's the design concept that will show you what to expect.



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**Mark Your
Calendar**

OCTOBER

- 26th SCHOOL CLOSED—Labour Day
- 27th Y4-8 Athletics
- 28th Cultural Festival
- 28th Y4 Marae Stay (Tane Mahuta studio)
- 29th Y4 Marae Stay (Tawhirimatea & Ata Hapara)
- 29th Y1-3 Disco, 2pm

NOVEMBER

- 2nd Chromebook Info Sessions 2.30pm & 5.00pm
- 5th Scholastic Book Club Closes
- 5th BOT Meeting
- 10th Zones Athletics
- 13th SCHOOL CLOSED—Show Day
- 16th SCHOOL CLOSED—Teacher Only Day



From The Principal continued ...

As per usual we have a busy term ahead so please keep an eye on the calendar. The weeks will fly by and it will be our A & P Show Day before you know it – Friday 11th December. Next week children will receive information about all of the different categories they can enter at the show – craft and produce, gardening, and animals/pets.

Teacher Only Day this Term

As part of the Teachers Contract we have 8 extra Teacher Only Days to take over 3 years. Teacher Only Day this term is on **Monday 16th November** and the school will be closed on this day.

Reporting in Hero

At the end of last term we published, via the Hero app, at least 2 examples of children's maths work this term and an up-to-date sample of their writing. These posts came with a short explanation as to what the piece of learning is showing, and also referenced your child's particular learning goals.

You may have noticed that a photo or a piece of work that you could see at the end of last term is now missing. This has been caused by a 'glitch' in the Hero server storage over the holiday break and is something that is outside of our control. Hero is now in the process of reloading any missing photos so you will see these start to reappear over the next few weeks.

This term you will see teachers continuing to post pieces of maths and literacy evidence, and you will also start to see your child's reading goals and achievements showing in Hero.

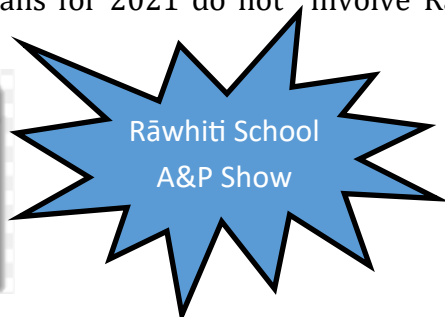
Planning for 2021

We are once again at the time of the year when we start planning the structure of our Learning Studios for next year, and the placement of both teachers and students within teams.

As our school is arranged into collaborative teaching teams the process of organising children into studio groups is quite different to the task of drawing up traditional class lists. A lot of professional thought goes into placing children into studio groups with teachers we think they will form a strong connection with. However, we don't always get this right. If you feel you need to share any information with us regarding your child's needs and the type of teacher you would like to see them placed with please let us know by emailing admin@rawhiti.school.nz no later than Friday 6th November. Your opinions will be considered alongside the information from teachers and input from the children themselves.

If you know that your plans for 2021 do not involve Rāwhiti School please take the time to let us know now.

December 2020						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



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*From The Principal continued ...***Final Assembly**

Final Assembly this year will be on Tuesday 15th December at 6.00pm. 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 everyone at Rāwhiti School to acknowledge our senior students and wrap up the year in a collaborative way. **All children are expected to be part of this event** so the assembly is scheduled for the early evening to allow families to attend. The usual running time is 1 hour.

Noho ora mai,
Liz Weir
Principal

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Congratulations to Ali in Tangaroa who recently completed 25 years service as a teacher aide, starting at Central New Brighton and then with us.

Last term, another group of teachers sat and passed their L1 Google Certified Educator Exam. Congratulations to Helen H, Talei, Lauren M, Lisa, Brogan, Urmi and Liz.

Congratulations Emily C who placed at the Canterbury Primary School Swimming Competition.



- 1st place in backstroke for Y5 girls
- 3rd place in breaststroke for Y5 girls


Principals Awards
Ngā tāonga a te Tumuaki
**Rongo-Ma-Tane**

Peyton x3, Vinnie x2, Ashleigh, Amelia, Tayah, Gabby, Macie, Ted, Azaiah, Nishil, Maddie H, Moses, Azalea-Rose, Tegan, Beau, Jamie, Jackson, Brenyn x2, Cayden x4, Geordie, Ava x2, Luca C, Emilie-Vida, Sam, Mahalia

Y1-3 Disco—Thursday 29th October

Our seniors are holding a Halloween Disco for Y1-3 at 2pm—2.50pm on Thursday 29th October. Order slips are coming home as glow sticks, lollies and juice boxes can be prepaid. Gold coin donation to attend.

See flyer on last page.

Kiwi Competition Results**ENGLISH**

Achieved: Breanna, Ava M, Freya M, Reuben, Isla H, Olive L, Lewis M,

Merit: Heath H, Brooke Wi

Excellence: Skye Y

**MATHEMATICS**

Achieved: Reuben S, Kaeden M, Caitlyn M, Dominick N

SCIENCE

Achieved: Abe R, Brooke Wi

Merit: Shafrin M

Amplify Music End of Year Concert

Some of our students who have music lessons with Amplify will be performing at their end of year concert on Saturday 7th November. Contact Amplify for more details.



Hero On SchoolApps

Just a reminder that there is a link to the Hero app on the home screen of the SchoolApp which can make logging in easier.



Hats for Term 4

Our Sun Smart policy requires all children to wear a Rāwhiti School sunhat in Terms 1 and 4.

We have been giving children plenty of reminders of this over the past two weeks, and from Monday any children not wearing Rāwhiti hats will be required to sit under the covered area in front of the learning studios during break times. If you still need to buy a hat for your child they are \$12.50 and can be purchased from the school office.

If you need to buy one, you can get it from the office for \$12.50, or you can order them online at https://rawhitiuniform.bigimpact.co.nz/shop/?product_cat=headwear

Tennis Balls!

Thank you to the North Beach Tennis Club for their very kind donation of 60 tennis balls.



These are greatly appreciated and will be shared into studios to support Physical Education programmes.



Canterbury Rams Basketball Mentoring

As part of our involvement in the Healthy Active Learning Initiative and Sport NZ, we have our first intake on the basketball mentoring programme. We will be running a Year 5/6 group and Year 7/8 group each term. The first groups have already started, but we know there are many more students interested in places for 2021.

The CRBF basketball mentoring program involves groups of 12 children participating in a weekly 45-50 minute session with two Canterbury Rams players/coaches attending each session. The students in these groups will not only benefit from the physical activity and the coaching of basketball skills but the benefits of having a mentoring role model they look up to.

Arriving Early

Children can come onto our school grounds and straight into the Learning Studios from 8.30am each morning. As the weather is starting to warm up we are noticing that children are being dropped at the school gate earlier and earlier.

Please be aware that your child is not our responsibility until 8.30 am, and we appreciate you keeping them in your care until that time.

No Touch On Monday

Just a reminder that there will be no touch competition on Monday afternoon due to it being Labour Day.

Inquiry in Tāne Mahuta

In Tāne Mahuta an inquiry group has been learning the organisms that make up our local ecologies. We have created a website to present our learning and teach others about the amazing organisms that inhabit our local environment. Follow the QR code to learn more:

<https://sites.google.com/rawhiti.school.nz/our-new-brighton-ecologies/home>



Year 7 & 8 Sailing

This week our Year 7 & 8 students had the opportunity to go sailing. It was a great day for everyone.



Your School Accounts

Your child's school account is now available to view on Hero - if you haven't already downloaded the Hero app please do so. If you are having trouble viewing, contact Kim in the office.

If you have logged in to Hero, click on the 3 lines (menu) top left of the screen, then touch "Finance" and your statement will be there.

The Rawhiti School Board of Trustees has opted in to the Ministry of Education School Donation Scheme this year. The school will now receive additional funds as part of the operating grant in 2020. This means that we will not be asking for donations or fees for normal everyday school curriculum activities. The following will be automatically covered by the Ministry of Education Donation Scheme:

- Group trips and excursions relating to curriculum delivery
- Google account management
- Family school donation
- Swimming.



We can continue to request payment contributions for optional activities such as **winter sports teams, camps with an overnight component**, and the take-home component of the **Year 7/8 technology programme**.

Items that are required to be paid in full because they are extra curricular activities are: **Kiwi Competition, ICAS, Adrenaline Forest, Basketball, Skiing, Touch Rugby, Koru Games, Children's Uni-versity, School Uniforms, Dancing with the Stars**. If your child has any of these activities on their school account we appreciate your prompt payment. Please check your school account on the Hero app!



Optional Chromebook Purchase @Rāwhiti School for 2021 Information Sessions

When:

Monday 2nd November 2020

Times:

2.30pm and 5.00pm

(both sessions will cover the same content)

Where:

Rāwhiti School Library

Over the last three years we have been part of the Te Ara Tuhura Cluster and have been learning about the Manaiaikalani model of teaching and learning called Learn Create Share. This year we've had Mark Maddren and Sharon Spragg working with specific teachers at Rāwhiti School. They have been providing professional development to implement Manaiaikalani's model of teaching and learning with students.

Children who have a personally owned Chromebook will have the advantage of being able to learn any time and in any place, including at home. We are now able to offer parents the opportunity to purchase a Chromebook for their child to use at school in 2021.

The bundle will include the Acer C733 and carry bag, 32 GB Local Storage, 3 Year Warranty and 3 Years Insurance - 2 Repair Claims or 1 Replacement. The device comes set up ready to use at school at no additional cost. The cost per device will be \$520 (including GST).

Mark will share information about Learn Create Share, how the Chromebook can support our learners to develop the knowledge and skills to navigate the complexities of the world wide web and details about the Chromebook package. He will also answer any questions.

Community Notices – Ngā pānui a te hapori

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

Free Family Movie Night
Saturday 31st October

Bring your own dinner from 5:45pm.
 Movie starts at 6:30pm

Come along and enjoy a Family Friendly
 Movie. Snacks and cold drinks available for
 purchase.

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**You're invited to the Māirehau High
School End of Year Concert**

Where: Māirehau High School Hall

When: Thursday 29th of October

7.00 - 8.45 pm

FREE ENTRY



**Rawhiti School
Year 1-3 Halloween Disco
Thursday October 29**

2.00pm - 2.50pm

Gold Coin Donation

Order slips will be handed out in class

Also available from the office

Please return slip and money to the office by 9am, 29th Oct.



2 Glow sticks \$1.00



Lolly Bag \$1.00



Juice boxes \$1.00

Choose your flavour

