



Newsletter #8 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 11 June 2021

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

From The Principal - Te Pū kāea a te Tumuaki

Kia ora koutou

The annual Winter Sports tournament with other local schools kicked off today with the majority of our Year 5-8 children heading off-site to play bowls, capture the flag, soccer, hockey and netball. On Wednesday our cross country team did us proud at the Eastern Zone Cross Country. Well done to Millah Isla, Elouise, Lyshia, Emily, Lachlan and Dylan D who will be representing us at the Canterbury Cross Country competition.

I would like to welcome Blake in Rongo-mā-tāne and Scott in Tāwhirimātea who have joined our support staff team as Teacher Aides.

This week is Support Staff week. At Rāwhiti we are fortunate to have a great team which includes Georgina, our caretaker, our office staff of Kim, Cheryl and Jude, and Sue taking care of our library resources. Then there is an awesome team that works alongside our tamariki in the classrooms - Leanne, Bex, Blake, Sue, Susan, Sharnee, Lisa, Becky, Scott, Ali, Marynita, Sharyn, and Jane. Yesterday we hosted a lunch here to say thank you to all these kind folk - we couldn't operate without you!

Over the past two weeks I have spent time in some of our Learning Studios. I always think that I will be able to sneak in at the back and just observe the learning taking place - but it never really pans out that way. The children in Rongo-mā-tāne were

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Mark Your Calendar

JUNE

- 15th Scholastic Book Club Closes
- 15th Tangaroa 7km Challenge
- 16th Learning Conversations
- 16th Strum Strike Blow
- 17th Learning Conversations
- 17th Ata Hapara Whanau Hui 5-7pm
- 23rd Canterbury Cross Country
- 23rd 1pm—SCHOOL CLOSING EARLY for staff to attend union meeting
- 23rd Dancing with the Stars, 6pm

JULY

- 1st BOT Meeting
- 6th Tawhirimatea Bridle Path
- 8th Learning Celebrations
- 9th Whole School Assembly
- 9th Last Day of Term 2
- 26th 1st Day of Term 3



From The Principal continued ...

involved in literacy activities when I visited and were most insistent that I try and spell their names correctly. Our senior students were working on digraphs and trigraphs and - fortunately - did not ask me to spell anything!

Thank you for your support of our Teacher Only Day last Friday. Our teachers had a full-on day of learning - getting themselves up to date with the Standards for the Teaching Profession and unpacking our concept curriculum. In the afternoon we joined with the staff of New Brighton Catholic and St Francis of Assisi schools to work on our Learn Create Share pedagogy. It is always valuable to learn and share elements of our practice with other teachers in the Te Ara Tūhura cluster of schools.

A reminder that we will be **closing early** on the afternoon of the Wednesday 23 June to allow our teachers to attend a Paid Union Meeting, which they are entitled to do under their Collective Agreement. Children will be sent home at 1:00pm unless you pick them up prior. *Please email Kim in the office if your child cannot come home at that time. Thank you in advance for your support of our hard working teachers.*

If you have not yet made an appointment for a Learning Conversation with your child and their teachers, there is still time for you to do this and make a time for either next Wednesday or Thursday. You can find out how to make a booking further on in this newsletter, or you can contact Kim in the office.

Liz Weir
Principal

Principals Awards ***Ngā tāonga a te Tumuaki***

**Rongo-Ma-Tane**

Abby x2, Ailla x2, Amelia, Ashlea, Blake, Edie x2, Freida, Gabby, Grayson x3, Isabel x3, Jax, Korbyn, Lakey, Leo, Lulu, Maddie, Mahalia, Mia H, Nova, Olive x2, Rad, Ricky x11, Tahlia, Travis

Winter Sport

Don't forget you can go on to our website to see the winter sport draw each week plus also information about where each sport is being held.

[CLICK HERE TO GO TO THE WEBSITE PAGE](#)

**Learning Conversations in June**

Learning Conversations continue next week and are the perfect opportunity to hear about your child's learning with the teachers.

To book a session with your child's teacher go to **www.schoolinterviews.co.nz** and the code is **bcnsa** or click on this link: [Learning Conversations](#).



Success @ Rawhiti

Congratulations to Meg and Isla who performed at The New Zealand Dance Awards over Queen's Birthday weekend. Dancers from all over New Zealand come to this competition.



Well done to Moses in Papatūānuku who helped clear away sand after the big storm recently.



Kidsfest July School Holidays



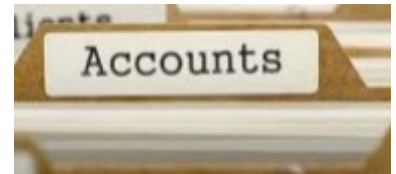
The Kidsfest activities for the next school holidays have been loaded on their website and bookings can be made from Monday 31st May. There are many great activities and some of them are free for children in the July school holidays.

Go to www.kidsfest.co.nz for full details.

School Accounts

You can view your school account at any time by going into the Hero app and clicking on "Finance". You can't make payments via Hero but you can still pay via online banking or come into the office with cash or EFT-POS (but not credit cards).

Contact Cheryl on exec@rawhiti.school.nz if you have any queries about your account.



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DISCOVER WALL AT NEW BRIGHTON LIBRARY

We are very excited to be hosting Christchurch City Libraries' mobile Discovery Wall at New Brighton Library from 26 June to 8 July and then again from 16 -29 July.



The Discovery Wall is an interactive touch-screen that accesses thousands of photos documenting Ōtautahi from the 1850's to the present day. Follow this link to have a look at what's there so far: <https://discoverywall.nz/>

We would love to have your tamariki visit New Brighton Library to explore this fantastic resource. We also have activities to suit all age groups.

Proudly presents

The Little Mermaid

A fun, witty family musical performance. Perfect for all ages

Directed by Kerri-Anne Barnes. Adapted by Josh Cairns

Times:
 Sunday 18th July 11.00am & 2.00pm
 Monday 19th July - Friday 23rd July 6.30pm
 (No show on Wednesday)
 Saturday 24th July 11.00am & 2.00pm

Venue:
 Merivale Lane Theatre,
 Rangitapu Girls High School,
 10 Merivale Lane, Christchurch

Tickets:
 Book at: act2drama.co.nz
 Limited door sales may be available.
 \$10.00 PP or family concession
 \$40.00 (2 adults and 3 children or 1 adult and 4 children)
 Children under 3 are free but will be required to sit on a parent/guardian's knee.

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 Refreshments available.

For queries/information
 Please text or call Fay on 0210431108

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WISE-UP is an 8 session life skills programme for 8-10 year olds. It supports children to recognise feelings and emotions, and explores new and different ways of dealing with these. Workshops are also offered to support and inform caregivers of the children attending the programme.

Cost: Please discuss with our WiseUp coordinator.

Programme aims:

- > Build children's **SELF-ESTEEM** and **CONFIDENCE**
- > Help children to see their strengths and find what makes them **HAPPY**
- > Assist children in discovering more about themselves and their strengths
- > Provide children with strategies to cope when they are **FEELING ANXIOUS** and worried
- > Equip children with new tools to **MANAGE HARD EMOTIONS** such as frustration and anger
- > Help children identify their own and other people's emotions

Participants need to be:

- > Aged between 8 – 10 years old
- > Willing and able to engage efficiently in a group environment.
- > Have parents that are willing to be involved in the Parent Workshops
- > Experience low-moderate levels of anxiety, or would benefit from learning about their emotions and how to manage them




For information and enrolment please contact:
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 Christchurch Methodist Mission
www.mmsi.org.nz
www.facebook.com/WiseUpCHCH




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A LIFELONG LOVE OF SPORTS!



Why should the big kids have all the fun?!

Sports for 1 to 5 year olds!

Book a trial class!

Get your toddlers and preschoolers active with our sports classes!

BOOK ONLINE AT
kellymini:sports.co.nz

FIND US ON  

Our programmes are designed to teach your toddler or preschooler essential skills and a lifelong love of sports. They're also a great place for parents to socialise!

A BRAND NEW PROGRAMME FOR KIWI PRESCHOOLERS

Delivered by expert coaches in a safe and fun environment, our professional programmes allow children to discover sport while developing their fundamental motor skills, confidence and social skills.

- 45 minute sessions
- Indoors
- Non competitive
- Emphasis on team work
- Team uniform

Our current programmes include football, basketball, rugby, tennis and cricket.

BIG FUN FOR LITTLE KIDS

To cater for the different levels of development, programmes are for:

- Mini Sporters: 1 to 2.5 year olds
- Big Sporters: 2.5 to 3.5 year olds
- Giant Sporters: 3.5 to 5 year olds

AT PARKLANDS RECREATION CENTRE

77 Queenspark Drive, Parklands, Christchurch.
 Visit our website for more info on session times.

ENQUIRE NOW

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