



Newsletter #18 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 26 November 2021

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

From The Principal - Te Pū kāea a te Tumuaki

Kia ora koutou, It's almost time to start putting the decorations on the tree.....unless, of course, you already have!

There are only 12 and a half schools days left before we finish school for the year - can you believe it? Nothing is slowing down though - each day is still full of learning activities here at school.

At this time of the year we are so grateful that we are one of the few schools in Christchurch that has its own swimming pool - it is certainly being well used.

Staffing Changes

The Board of Trustees has regretfully accepted resignations from two of our long serving staff.

Sharyn Brook has been a Teacher Aide for 28 years and is retiring at the end of the year. Sharyn started working at North New Brighton School and transferred to Rāwhiti when we opened in 2015. During that time she has supported thousands of children, working tirelessly to build connections with the most challenging of learners. Sharyn is adored by our children and will be very much missed by everyone here, as will her amazing baking skills!

Kylie O'Keeffe will be leaving Ata Hapara at the end of the year and is heading to university to complete her Master's Degree. Kylie has taught here at Rāwhiti since the school opened, and was teaching at Freeville School prior to that. Kylie has transitioned many of our littlest learners into school, both in the mainstream and in the bilingual programme. We wish Kylie great success with her study.

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**Mark Your
Calendar**

NOVEMBER

30th Children's University
Graduation, 5.30pm

DECEMBER

7th Year 8 Formal, 6-9pm
8th Y7/8 Big Day Out
9th BOT Meeting, 5pm
10th Rumbustification Day
13th Showcase Assembly
1.15pm
14th RMT Whale Pool Picnic
14th Leavers Assembly, 6.30pm
15th Last day of school:
11am Poroporoaki
12pm School ends

JANUARY 2022

27,28 School Office Open
9am-1pm
31st School Office Open
9am-3pm

FEBRUARY 2022

1st Goal Setting Day
2nd First Day of Instruction



*From The Principal continued ...***End of Year Events**

We know we are living in uncertain times. Already this year we have seen a number of school events cancelled - which always results in disappointment. While we are not yet sure what the 'traffic light' system entails for schools we have made some decisions about end of year events to give you all some clarity for the next few weeks.

- **Children's University Graduation** is going ahead on Tuesday Nov 30th for graduating students and invited guests only.
- **Parent Helpers Drinks** Dec 2nd - Cancelled.
- **Year 8 Formal** is going ahead - final details being determined.
- **Rāwhiti Rumbustification Day** Friday Dec 10th is going ahead. This day is for Rāwhiti children only - parents and siblings are not able to attend.
- **Showcase Assembly** Monday Dec 13th is going ahead for Rāwhiti children only. This event will be recorded so that whānau can see the performances.
- **Leavers Assembly** Tuesday December 14th (6.30pm) is going ahead for Year 8 students, their invited guests and staff, with a live streaming option for other members of our community. Details will be coming out to Year 8 students and whānau next week.
- **Porporoaki** Wednesday December 15th 11am. Decision pending.

New Fences and Gates

The Ministry of Education has funded the new boundary fences and gates to ensure that we are able to keep our vulnerable children safely on the grounds. Some children will find the height of the gates somewhat challenging and will need assistance. While we are very happy for parents to help children in the mornings by opening the gate to let them in, please do not prop the gate open, or open the gate for children who are trying to get out!

Parent Helpers

If you wish to be able to provide parent help in your child's Learning Studio, support with any upcoming end of year trips, go on school camps in 2022, or be a parent helper in any capacity, we need to see evidence that you are fully vaccinated. The office will take a copy of your vaccine passport (or other proof of vaccination) and you will be added to our confidential vaccination register. The expiry date of your vaccination passport will be recorded.

All schools are obliged to follow the government mandated guidelines and we are mindful of our roll in supporting the nation's Covid response. To be clear, the Health Order does not require parents to be fully vaccinated when they are on site for the purposes of 'being a parent'.

With the new 'Traffic Light' system due to be introduced next week, some of the current requirements may change and we will keep you informed of the most up to date requirements.

Noho ora mai,

Liz Weir

Principal

Principals Awards *Ngā tāonga a te Tumuaki*



Ailla x2, Aria C x2, Bella, Blake, Brooke x3, Charlie M x2, Edie, Gabby, Harlem, Isla-Jade, Izzy, Jacques x2, Jaxon, Jesse H x2, Kaia F x3, Kaia L x3, Korbyn x4, Kyzani, Lacey x2, Lakey, Lily, Luca x2, Lulu, Masyn, Mahalia, Mikayla, Olive, Oliver, Opal x2, Parker, Pearl, Rad x3, Samu x4, Sione-Pongi x3, Tahlia, Tara, Tayah, Te Ariki x2, Tikaia, Tommy, Willow, Wyatt, Zoe.

Late Drop Offs In The Morning

If you are dropping your children off after 9am, please help them open the new gates so they can get in. Do not just drop them off and drive away. Some children are stuck outside because they are too short to let themselves in.



School Accounts

There is still a large amount of outstanding costs on school accounts for things like sport, touch, camps, Art Gallery trip, Bridle path transport, Antarctic Space visit, Ferrymead, uniforms and the take home component of technology.

We appreciate your support in contributing towards your child's experiences at school.

You can come in to the office to pay by cash or eftpos (please wear your mask and scan/sign in) or you can make online payments into the school account 12-3240-0211804-01—put your child's name as a reference.

If you want to view your account details, click on "Finance" in the Hero app. Contact Kim in the office if you're not sure how to access your account information in Hero or if you would like to know if you owe anything.

Rotary Club School Honour Roll Awards

Well done to Mailli, Isla H, Camryn and Robbie for being awarded the Rotary Club Avon-Otakaro School Honour Roll Award for showing good



Black Shorts/Pants/Skorts Needed

If anyone has spare black shorts, tracksuit pants or skorts they would like to donate, we would appreciate them in the office as spares if needed during the day—thank you.

Chromebooks Purchased via Uru Mānuku

We now have information on the Chromebook bundle deal from Uru Mānuku. Chromebook orders placed by 3rd December will be delivered by the end of this term. You can still order a Chromebook after this date. It is likely to arrive for the start of Term 1, 2022. If a WINZ letter is required this will be automatically generated from the order form. See later in the newsletter for more info.

PLEASE NOTE: Buying a Chromebook is optional. All children will have access to a Chromebook while at school—this option is if you want them to have one at home.

Chromebooks Purchased from other resellers

If you are intending on purchasing a Chromebook from a reseller can you please let me know via email. At the start of 2022 the Chromebook will need to be brought to the office so it can be enrolled.

All Chromebooks that are used by students at Rāwhiti School are managed. For more information on what this means [click here](#).

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



Library Books Due Back

Please have a hunt around at home for any of our library books and return them ASAP so we can do a stocktake!



If you've lost a book/s then please email library@rawhiti.school.nz

ICAS Exams



Congratulations to the following students for some great results in the recent ICAS exams:

Digital Technology

High Distinction - Travis M
Distinction - Leon P, Everley, Heath
Principal Award - Suhaib

English

High Distinction - Travis M
Distinction - Leon P
Credit - Jeremiah L, Zara W, Oskar GS, Heath
Principal's Award - Reuben S

Science

Distinction—Travis M
Credit—Leon P, Heath
Merit—Noah S
Principal's Award—Caleb S

High Distinction = Top 1% of participants
Distinction = Next 10% of participants
Credit = Next 25% of participants
Principal's Award = Very close to a Credit

Kiwi Competition Results

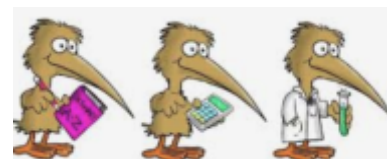
Congratulations to the following students for some great results in the recent Kiwi Competitions:

Science

Merit - Heath
Achieved - Jakob P

English

Merit - Heath



2021/2022



Uru Manuka Education Trust
c/- 190 Waterloo Road
Hornby
Christchurch
8042

Purchase Bundle includes

1. **Acer C733 Chromebook**
2. **3 year manufacturer's warranty ***
3. **Bag** - Targus Education Work-in Clamshell with 3 year manufacturer's warranty.
4. Your Chromebook comes with cover for the costs of repair and/or replacement of devices, accidentally lost and damaged - associated to an **Acer Device Care Programme**. This is not an insurance product, it is an incident repair service offered with Acer Chromebooks devices for the Manaiakalani Education Trust.

Amount

\$550.00 GST inc

Payment Required Before Order Processed
(WINZ option available see your child's school)

Please complete the form and make a payment through internet banking
<https://www.urumanuka.org.nz/buy-a-chromebook>

For delivery this side of Christmas, orders must be placed by 3rd December 2021.
Any order after this date will be for delivery at the end of January 2022.

Payment details :

Uru Mānuka Education Trust: ASB 12-3441-0091909-00

Please include the following details with your payment

Particulars (Student First Name)

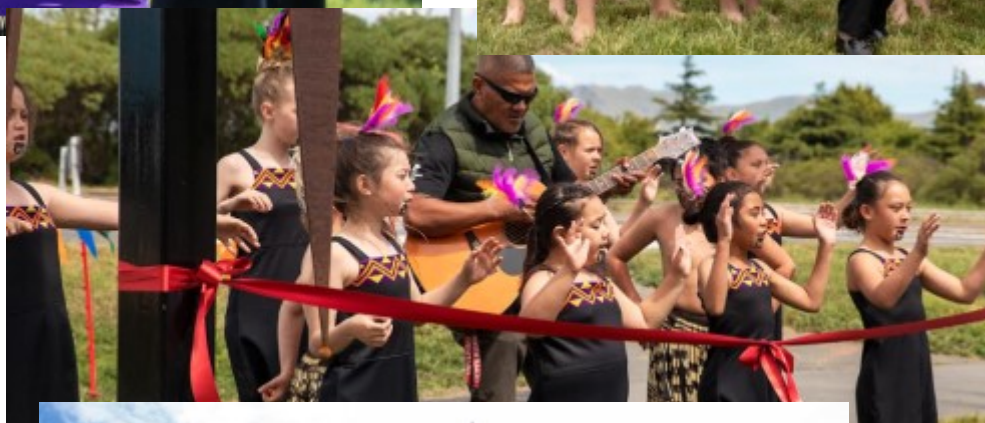
Reference (School Name)

Code (Student Surname)

If you have trouble, contact your school office who will help you through the process.

Opening of Fronds Sculpture

Recently a small group from our kapa haka went to support the official opening of the Fronds Sculpture on the corner of Anzac Drive and New Brighton Road. They performed some waitata and the Mayor cut the ribbon to officially open the sculpture.



Weetbix TRYathlon

The Weet-Bix TRYathlon Foundation is set up to give less fortunate Kiwi kids the chance to participate in the Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon by providing subsidised entries. Each series, the Weet-Bix TRYathlon Foundation reach out to 120 schools to provide them with discounted entries and **WE** are one of those lucky schools!

If you would like to enter you need to enter via our school group- Rāwhiti for the AM race on Sunday, 6 March 2022 at Jellie Park Burnside. **Please note that no teacher will be able to be present at the event** (I have Athletics Nationals on the same weekend).

To enter a parent or caregiver must be able to transport and support the participant on the day.

Discount Code – FDTCHRAW

The above code will provide 10 students with a discount off the entry price*. Simply apply the discount at the online checkout when entering at home.

If you have any questions please contact Courtney - courtneyr@rawhiti.school.nz



Assembly Sharing

Last week we were able to get all of our students together for an assembly to share some of the learning that has been happening in each studio. Here are the links for each studio's presentation.

[Rongo-mā-tāne](#)

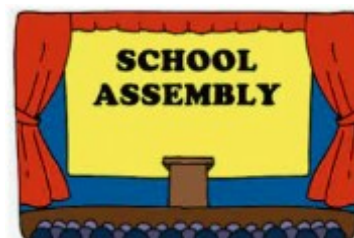
[Papatūānuku](#)

[Ata Hapara](#)

[Tāne Mahuta](#)

[Tāwhirimātea](#)

[Tangaroa Part1 & Part2](#)



Summertime Reading Challenge

Kōrero pukapuka ā te wā o raumati 2021/2022

Christchurch City Libraries - Kids and Teens - ages 0 to 18 - tell us about your summer reads in three words and be in to win!

Summertime Reading Challenge is on from Wednesday 1st December 2021 to Monday 28 February 2022.

For paper entries [click here](#). Entries also available in each learning studio and library. Entries can be returned to any Christchurch City Library or to the school office. To support the Summer Reading programme the school library will be open to students on 13th & 14th December to issue books and to whānau from 3.00pm to 3.30pm.



TUNING IN TO KIDS



**A six-session
programme for
parents/ caregivers
of children aged
4-12 years**

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

**Tuning in to Kids is an
evidence-based
programme
designed to teach
parents &
caregivers:**

- How to coach a child through periods of heightened emotion resulting in emotional regulation
- Awareness of their children's emotions
- To use children's emotional experiences as an opportunity for closeness and teaching
- Skills in assisting children to verbally label and manage their emotions
- Skills in assisting children to problem solve
- To guide children's behaviour with appropriate limits

Sessions include:

- Watching video material
- Group discussions and exercises
- Role plays
- Home-based activities to practice different ways of responding to your child's emotions

Parents are encouraged to share experiences and ideas within the group

Spaces are limited. Please contact:

Kim at admin@rawhiti.school.nz

for further information or to reserve your place.

* Let Kim know if you would prefer to come during the day or in the evening



MANA AKE
STRONGER FOR TOGETHER

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

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Youth Alive Camps

Youth Alive in New Brighton have a number of camp opportunities and school holiday programmes available. [CLICK HERE to go to their website.](#)

Different things coming up include:

Holiday Programmes: School Years 1-8

Teens Summer Camp: School Years 8-13

Intermediates Breakaway: School Years 7-8

January 2022 Programmes

4. Camps

We take young people on overnight camps and weekends away throughout the year, such as Amped Camp, Eastercamp and the Surge Summer Camp.



Father/Son Camp - Teen Edition



Father/Son Camp - Intermediates Edition



Mother Daughter Day



Easter Camp



Surge Summer Camp
Year 9 - 13



Famine Sleep-Over

KELLY SPORTS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

CONTACT
STEVE POTTER

STEVE@KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ
021 044 6283

BOOK ONLINE AT
KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ

BEEKEEPING COURSES

Ever wanted to learn more about bees?
Want the opportunity to see inside a hive? Now's your chance!
The time is now to book in for a unique Christmas gift!!

Learn beekeeping skills in a safe and supportive learning environment.

For Kids
One-off experience in the hive
Be a beekeeper and examine a hive in full PPE gear
Session - \$55 for 1.5 hours
Limited sessions available. Maximum of 3 students per session.
Small class sizes allows a hands-on experience for every child.

Beekeeping Holiday Programmes in Dec 2021 and Jan 2022
9am to 3pm at Phillipstown Community Hub
Single days \$75
Whole week \$325

10 WEEK COURSES
Children and adults courses available (after-school and evening courses)
Book in now for Term 1, 2022!
All PPE provided (except footwear)

For enquiries and bookings, please contact Kathryn
on cleverlittlebees@gmail.com or 027 863 8730
www.cleverlittlebees.co.nz

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skids
Safe Kids In Daily Supervision
Parkview
Room 12

Holiday Programme
Short Day 7am to 3pm \$45
Full Day 7am to 6pm \$55

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| MON 13 DEC NO HOLIDAY PROGRAMME School Term | TUES 14 DEC NO HOLIDAY PROGRAMME School Term | WED 15 DEC NO HOLIDAY PROGRAMME School Term | THUR 16 DEC NO HOLIDAY PROGRAMME School Term | FRI 17 DEC XMAS BAKING Let's make some yummy Xmas treats! |
| MON 20 DEC XMAS MOVIE DAY How many can we cram into 1 day? | TUES 21 DEC XMAS CRAFTS Let's get creative | WED 22 DEC XMAS WATER BLAST Let's have some water fun! | THUR 23 DEC SKIDS 1ST EVER FAMILY XMAS PARTY Kids from all our skids sites will join together. Parents join us for a sausage sizzle & some fun from 3pm. | FRI 24 DEC XMAS EVE No skids today as staff enjoy time with their families. Merry Xmas everyone |

For more information, call 0210784064
Mobile 021 0784064 Email parkview@skids.co.nz
Register now at www.skids.co.nz click on **Parent Login** Work MSD Approved

JUNIOR YEARS 7-8

SUMMER CAMP 2022

Join us for a three day Junior Camp (day only) for boys and girls of all skill levels in Year 7 or Year 8.

28-30 JANUARY 2022
CHRISTCHURCH NETBALL CENTRE

Register via netballchristchurch.org.nz
Contact Sara Norton
jnrnetballcnc.org.nz
027 919 4474

CHRISTCHURCH NETBALL CENTRE
Tea and coffee available to all
Netball | We live this game

skids
Safe Kids In Daily Supervision
Parkview Primary
Room 12

Holiday Programme
Short Day PT 7am to 3pm \$40
Full Day PT 7am to 6pm \$55
Trip Short Day 7am to 3pm \$50
Trip Full Day 7am to 6pm \$60
Full Week FT 7am to 6pm \$260

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| MON 3 JAN PUBLIC HOLIDAY No skids today | TUES 3 JAN PUBLIC HOLIDAY No skids today | WED 4 JAN SKIDS CLOSED No skids today | THUR 5 JAN SKIDS CLOSED No skids today | FRI 6 JAN SKIDS CLOSED No skids today |
| MON 10 JAN DIY GAMES DAY Creativity Rules! | TUES 11 JAN SKIDS WORLD RECORDS Kids breaking records! | WED 12 JAN TRIP TO MOVIES Let's watch the latest release | THUR 13 JAN GIVING BACK Today we giving back to our community | FRI 14 JAN TRIP PARK CRAWL Let's visit one park after another! |
| MON 17 JAN SKIDS GOT TALENT What's your talent? | TUES 18 JAN TRIP OURAHIA PARK Let's have fun in the park | WED 19 JAN LEGO DAY Let's get creative! | THUR 20 JAN TRIP WILLOW BANK Exploring different animals | FRI 21 JAN TEAM BUILDING How well can we work together? |
| MON 24 JAN SPORTS DAY Want to try a new sport? | TUES 25 JAN TRIP TO BEACH Sandcastles, volleyball & even skating | WED 26 JAN SLIME SCHOOL Slime of the day! | THUR 27 JAN PIRATES DAY Ahoy my mates! | FRI 28 JAN TRIP FRISBEE GOLF Something new to try |

For more information, call 0210784064
or email parkview@skids.co.nz

Community Notices – Ngā pānui a te hapori

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Elements nature based play: Are you looking to give your children an active & creative experience in school holiday's? Let's be imaginative & curious amongst nature. Think huts, ropes, trees, water play, tools, arts n crafts. Time and space to be a kid! For the summer holidays Elements are offering a range of programmes such as **Going Wild Xmas**, & **Barefoot n Buckets**, or **Kiwi Summer** in a variety of Chch locations including Marshlands, Brighton, Lincoln & Cashmere for ages 5-13yrs. Limited spaces.

See our website <https://www.elementsnature.co.nz/> or facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/elementsprogrammes/> to see what we get up to. Bookings are through <https://elements.aimyplus.com>. For more info email elementsprogrammes@gmail.com.

A Nature Picture for TOCK



TOCK has visited thousands of children over the last 8 months and seen lots of creativity. TOCK loves nature and as a final competition for 2021, TOCK would love the children to draw / paint / make (not photograph) a picture of their favourite thing(s) in nature. Open to NZ children aged 0-6 or 7-12.

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PARENTING COURSE

NEXT CHAPTER PARENTING offering Individual, or group, PARENTING SESSIONS via Zoom.

Eight one hourly sessions, weekly at a time convenient to you, available evenings.

Topics covered include Communication, Empathy, Setting Limits, Quality Time, Consequences, Choices, Redirection, Pick your battles with your child, Problem Behaviour, Praise vs Acknowledgement, Time In vs Time Out, The Pause, Erickson's Stages of Growth, Personality Types and how it affects your children.

WINZ funding assistance where eligible.


Website: www.nextchapterparenting.co.nz

Contact: brigid@nextchapterparenting.co.nz

What's On in Christchurch This Summer

Given the current uncertainty around events, the CCC have made the difficult decision to not print the usual hard-copy brochure for the up-coming 2021/2022 summer season.

[CLICK HERE TO LINK DIRECTLY TO THEIR WEBSITE](#)



What do you want your Residents' Association to do for you?
We want to hear from you, come have your say!

Next Meeting: Monday 29th November
Meeting Time: Drop in anytime from 7pm - 9pm
Location: North Beach Surf Club

Nibbles and good chat are provided

 Come join us on facebook for the latest updates
<https://www.facebook.com/northbeachresidentsassociation>



NewstalkZB

This Christmas morning on Newstalk ZB - it's the Star of Christmas singing competition... on The Crazy Kiwi Christmas Kids Show!

Be treated like a Star!

Win flights (if out of Auckland), accommodation, music studio tour and studio time with Nathan King, judge from POPSTARS

If you can sing, and are under 13, email your audition singing a Christmas song to christmas@newstalkzb.co.nz or call 0800 843 864 before 13th December. Then tune into Newstalk ZB on Christmas morning from 6am to see if you've won!