



Newsletter #18 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 10th November 2022

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

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

**Kia ora koutou,** I am not quite sure how we got to this point but there are only 23½ school days left before we finish for the year.

Our camps are done and dusted for the year. Our Year 5 and 6 children had an amazing time last week at Glentui and we would like to thank all of the parent helpers who made time to attend the camps and support our children. Camps are a huge undertaking for teachers, and we could not make them happen without the high level of support we get from our parent community.

Thank you also to everyone who helped out with the Zone Athletics on Tuesday. Congratulations to all of our athletes who competed. 13 students will be going to Canterbury Athletics later in the month to represent Rāwhiti School. (The results are later in the newsletter.) Again, a big thank you to the parent helpers, Mary and Anne, who helped out on the day.

### **Early Closing Thursday November 24th**

The New Zealand Education Institute has called a paid union meetings for all primary teachers who are members. These are scheduled to take place throughout November, and the area meeting for Rāwhiti School teachers is on Thurs 24th November.

We are asking that children are collected from school at lunch time (12.15pm) to allow teachers to travel to this meeting. If you are not able to make an alternative arrangement for your child on that day, please notify the school office as soon as possible so that we can arrange supervision on site for the afternoon. There will be no teaching programmes taking place that afternoon. Thank you for supporting our teachers as they negotiate a contract settlement.

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## **Mark Your Calendar**

### **NOVEMBER**

- 11th SCHOOL CLOSED
- 15th Parents Night Seminar
- 17th Ata Hapara Whanau Hui
- 21st Cohort #2 Of New Entrants
- 22nd Disco (see page 6)
- 24th 12.15pm School Closes—  
Teacher Union Meeting
- 24th Book Club Closes
- 25th Non-uniform Day For PTA  
Xmas Raffle
- 25th Whole School Assembly
- 29th Children's University  
Graduation
- 30th Canterbury Athletics

### **DECEMBER**

- 7th Y8 Formal Dinner 6-9pm
- 8th Board of Trustees Meeting
- 12th Showcase Assembly,  
1.30pm
- 13th Rumbustification Day
- 14th Book Character Dress-up  
Day
- 14th Leavers Final Assembly,  
6pm
- 15th 12.15pm School Finishes



## *From The Principal continued ...*

Congratulations to Chelsey, Izzy and Hebe from Tangaroa who took part in SCAPE's annual competition to produce designs for public artworks. Their work is now part of an exhibition at Tūranga showcasing the Sculpture and Mural winners, all shortlisted submissions and final 3D works. The piece being used in their advertising is by Chelsey.



The artworks are on display on Level 1, outside the TSB room from Friday 4th November until Wednesday 30th November. If you are in the central city please take the opportunity to support our students and their work.



### **Navigating Big Feelings Parenting Seminar**

Please support our PTA with their upcoming event next Tuesday, November 15th, at 7pm. This event is open to everyone so bring your friends and family - anyone you think this will be of interest to.

Learn how to support our tamariki to deal with big emotions and anxiety across all ages and stages with author & wellness coach Rebekah Ballagh and local counsellor Sandy Hitchens.

This seminar features Rebekah Ballagh who will speak for approximately 1 hour and then will have a short Q&A session. She will be talking about preschool/primary children right through to teens when talking about the states of the nervous system - this basically explains anger, anxiety, shut down/depression etc and will also apply to the parents themselves.

We will also hear from our own school counsellor Sandy Hitchens about attachment and this relationship being at the heart of helping our kids. She'll also speak about parents trusting their own intuition when it comes to parenting. Sandy will also have a short Q&A session and both speakers will mingle afterwards so that people can ask questions privately if they wish.

On the night the PTA will also be **drawing a raffle** with vouchers purchased from local businesses as a thank you for their support over the years. Tickets to the event are \$5 each and each ticket also represents one raffle ticket into the prize draw.

There will be hot and cold drinks to purchase and some nibbles. Please bring cash for these.

You can read more here. <https://catchlightnz.wixsite.com/rawhitipta/parenting-seminar>

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***From The Principal continued ...*****Learning Studio Placements for 2023**

A reminder that you have until Thursday, November 18th if you wish to provide us with any information you think is relevant for us to consider as we make decisions about classes for 2023. This may be related to friendships or siblings. This is not about 'choosing a teacher', rather letting us know of any mitigating factors that may support your child in having a successful year.

Only fill out this form if you have important information that you wish us to take into consideration while making the class placement decision OR you would like to notify us that your child will not be attending Rāwhiti School in 2023. <https://forms.gle/yqW3gm0bJU0pQVCk3>

**Final Assembly**

The final assembly this year will be on Wednesday 14th 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.

**End of Year Events**

Here are some key dates for you to note in your diary.

- Friday November 25th—Non-Uniform Day for PTA Raffle Donations
- Tuesday November 29th—Children's University Graduation
- Monday December 5th—Helpers Drinks 5pm
- Wednesday December 7th—Year 8 Formal Dinner
- Monday December 12th—Showcase Assembly 1.30pm
- Tuesday December 13th—Rāwhiti Rumbustification Day
- Wednesday December 14th—Book Character Dress Up Day
- Wednesday December 14th—Leavers Assembly 6pm
- Thursday December 15th—Poroporoaki in each Learning Studio 11am
- Thursday December 15th—School Finishes for the Year 12.15pm.

**Swimming Pool**

From Monday of next week our swimming pool will be open for swimming lessons, and also lunch time swimming for Year 4-8 children so don't forget to pack their togs and towel (and goggles if they wear them)—and **PLEASE** name everything.



Enjoy your long weekend.

**Liz Weir**

**Principal**

## Principals Awards Ngā tāonga a te Tumuaki



### Rongo-ma-tane

Amelia, Asha x3, Autumn, Ava M, Avalon, Cherish x2, Eliza, Frank x2, Georgia B x2, Gerogia G, Ida, Isla P x5, Iyla G, Jayden x2, Johanna, Katherine, Kingston, Korbyn x2, Leon, Logan, Marama x2, Margaret x2, Mateo, Micah x3, Rocco x2, Rosalie x2, Shayla, Spencer, Travis, William, Zane, Zaquia x2

### Papatūānuku

Ailla, Emilie-Via x3, Koa, Mia H, Tegan, Zoe

## Zones Athletics

Congratulations to the following students who will be competing at Canterbury Athletics on Wednesday 30th November as a result of their competition at Zones this week:

Anika M—Discus  
Archer—80m and long jump  
Emily C—Long jump and middle distance  
Ezra—60m  
Jade S-S—Long jump and 100m  
Jatin—Long jump and 100m sprint  
Jessica A—80m  
Maeve—60m  
Nate M—Discus  
Nevaeh B—Discus and shotput  
Noah B—Discus  
Taylor P—High jump  
Tyson H—Shotput, long jump and discus



## Chromebook For Home Use (Y4-8 Optional)

If you are interested in purchasing a Chromebook for your child, all information can be found on our website under [About Us/Our Learning](#) or you can collect a handout with all the information from the school office.

Chromebook Flyer - [Click here.](#)

Chromebook Purchase Process - [Click here.](#)

Why Schools Manage Chromebooks - [Click here.](#)

2022/2023

Uru Mānuka Education Trust  
c/o Uru Mānuka Trust  
Hawke's Bay  
Christchurch  
Napier

Purchase Bundle Includes

	Amount
1. Acer C713 Chromebook	
2. 3 year manufacturer's warranty	
3. Bag - Tegan Education Works in Christchurch with 3 year manufacturer's warranty	
4. Your Chromebook comes with cover for the costs of repair and/or replacement of device, 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 Manufacturer Education Trust.	
	<b>\$550.00 GST inc.</b>

## School Photos

If your child was here on school photos day you will have received an email from Photolife (or a phone call from me if you don't have email) with your Access Key Code to your child's photos.

If you want free delivery back to school, your order must be placed by **Sunday 13th November**. You can order online or if you have any queries, contact them directly on (0800) 50 10 40.



## Rāwhiti School Library

The last day for students to issue books is Thursday 10th November. All books are due back to school on or before Friday 2nd December. The library will then be closed for a stocktake.

It will re-open on Monday 12th December for students to issue books for the holidays.

## New Books:

Our collection has been expanding with a variety of new books. Many of these come from suggestions by students or from the library survey they completed. To keep up to date on what's new in the library or displays of our current collection visit <https://rawhitlibraryvoice.blogspot.com/> or follow the @rawhitbythesea on Twitter.

We currently have books on display to tempt students to try new authors.

Remember you can also see what books your child has out by logging into [library.rawhiti.school.nz](http://library.rawhiti.school.nz)

If you have forgotten your child's password please email [library@rawhiti.school.nz](mailto:library@rawhiti.school.nz)

**Parent Library:**

If you head to our library Web Opac – [library.rawhiti.school.nz](http://library.rawhiti.school.nz) and search Parent Library you will see the collection we have. If you want to read any of these books feel free to pop in and we'll issue a book/s under your child's name or email [library@rawhiti.school.nz](mailto:library@rawhiti.school.nz)

## Cyber Snippet/Online Safety



**TikTok Parenting Tips - [Click here.](#)**

**TikTok** TikTok is one of the fastest growing social media apps. It's a platform for creating, sharing and discovering short videos. As young people enjoy being on it, TikTok and Netsafe have partnered on the TikTok Family Safety Toolkit to help you and your child safely navigate some of the online challenges and have fun.



### Return Spare Clothing

A reminder that if your child has been sent home in our spare clothing, can you please wash and return to the office please.

This is the time of year a lot of changes of clothing is needed and our supply is very low at the moment.



Mark This In Your Diary!



# THE OUT OF THIS WORLD DISCO

Date: Tuesday 22th November

Times: Year 0 - 3 disco 1:30pm - 3pm  
Year 4 - 6 disco 4pm - 5:30pm

Cost: Gold coin donation  
Food and drink - \$1 per item  
Glow sticks etc - various prices

## Year 0-3 Disco

Order forms for food, drinks and glowsticks will be coming home in week 4 & 5. See office for spares.

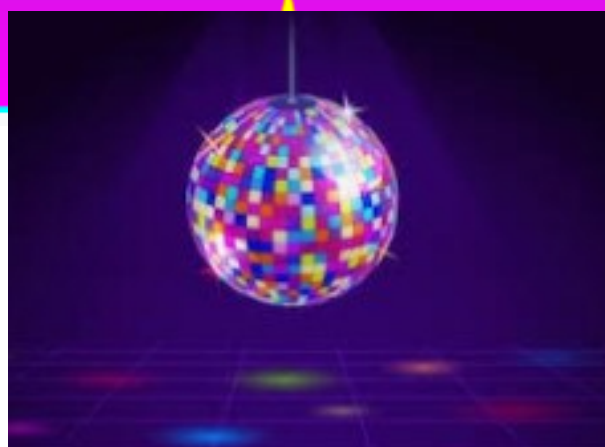
These need to be returned to the school office by Monday 21st November.

## Year 4- 6 Disco

Entry will be by gold coin donation.

Food and drinks will be available for sale at the disco for \$1 per item.

A limited amount of other products - such as glow sticks will also be available for sale.



... And Also Mark This In Your Diary!



# BOOK DAY!

WE ARE HAVING A BOOK DAY ON  
WEDNESDAY 14TH OF DECEMBER.



COME TO SCHOOL AS  
YOUR FAVORITE BOOK  
CHARACTER

(AND REMEMBER, IT'S A BOOK  
CHARACTER NOT A MOVIE  
CHARACTER.)



WHAT'S YOUR  
FAVOURITE  
BOOK?



**Navigating Big Feelings—Book Your Ticket Now (Click on the picture below)**



**Navigating Big Feelings**  
PARENTING SEMINAR

with speakers  
Rebekah Ballagh  
& Sandy Hitchens

TUESDAY NOV 15 - 7PM - RĀWHITI SCHOOL HALL - TICKETS \$5



**Youth Alive Programmes**

**OSCAR Specials**

Reminder we're running some SPECIALS for our daily Oscar programme until the end of this year

- \$15 per day up to 6:00pm (rolling back to our 2016 prices)
- \$10 per day up to 4:00pm
- 20% discount when booked with a sibling on the same day
- First Week FREE if you're a new family to our Oscar
- Year 4's welcome until the end of this year (then they'll be Year 5 anyway)

- **Seniors Oscar** (School Years 5-9) EVERYDAY with Van Pick Ups 2:45pm – 6:00pm
- **Amplify Music Lessons** (School Years 1-13) Everyday 3pm – 6pm
- **Basketball Clubs** (School Years 5 – 7) Mondays 3:30-4:30pm & (School Years 1-4) 4:45-5:45pm (limited spaces!!)
- **Kitchen Klub** (School Years 5 – 9) Mondays 3:30-5:00pm (limited spaces!!)
- **Kōtirotiro Girls Club** (School Years 1 – 6) Wednesdays 4:00-5:30pm
- **Tamatāne Boys Club** (School Years 1 – 6) Thursdays 4:00-5:30pm (limited spaces!!)
- **Craft Club** (School Years 5 – 9) Thursdays 4:00-5:30pm
- **Rock Solid** (School Years 7 & 8) Fridays 4:30-6:30pm
- **Surge** (School Years 9 – 13) Fridays 7:00-9:00pm

[CLICK HERE to go to Youth Alive's website for more details](#)



**Canterbury**

District Health Board

Te Pōari Hauora o Waitaha

COMMUNITY  
dental service

**Free Dental Care for Children -**  
**including special information regarding Year 8 students**

One of our Community Dental Service preventive mobiles will be making a short visit to your school soon.

- **Only the children who currently require a check-up will be seen at this visit.**  
Please do not be concerned if your child is not called for a check-up this time.
- **Year 8 students:** all year 8 students enrolled with the Community Dental Service are transferred from the Community Dental Service to a FREE private dentist from year 9 until their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. To help with this transition please ensure you have informed your child of their family dentist (not orthodontist). This will enable us to transfer your child onto the correct dentist for year 9 onwards. More information will be sent home after their year 8 check-up.
- The dental therapist will not only be checking the children's teeth but will also X-ray, clean, and apply protective treatments fluoride and or Fissure sealants (coating put on teeth to prevent decay) if required
- If your child requires further dental care such as fillings they will bring home a 'Care Plan' which will explain what dental care and appointment times are required.
- When you receive the 'Care Plan' please contact our **Call Centre as soon as possible** as you will need to arrange a time to bring your child to one of our Community Clinics for this dental care.
- Please contact our Call Centre if you want further information on the Community Dental Service, to enrol your child or if you have any specific questions about your child's dental care (a dental therapist will call you back)

To contact our Call Centre: phone 0800 846 983 / email [commdental@cdhb.health.nz](mailto:commdental@cdhb.health.nz)

## Community Notices – Ngā pānui a te hapori

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### 101 Free Things to Do in Greater New Brighton

Did you find the map sent home at the end of last term? If not, you can pick one up from the Library, a local Community Centre or view it online at: <https://newbrightononline.nz/101-free-things-to-do.html>

Share your photos and experiences on the [101 Free Things to Do in Greater New Brighton Facebook Page](#).

From Bellies, Babies to Tweens

**Buy & Sell**

**Pre-Loved Market**

MATERNITY, BABIES & KIDS

**SUNDAY**  
**27 NOV**  
**9am-12pm**

**PIONEER STADIUM**

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NEW ZEALAND

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**GIVE IT A GO!**

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**EnviroKids Events**

Click on the event details below so you can stay notified about these upcoming events.

**November 5th:** Bee Awesome with Envirokids - <https://fb.me/e/2ocMaRkku>

**November 12th:** Be a Stormwater Superhero - <https://fb.me/e/3VmKVFGcd>

**November 19th:** World Sustainable Toy Day with EcoSplat - <https://fb.me/e/8or3rk3j0>

**November 26th:** Keep CHCH Beautiful with Envirokids - <https://fb.me/e/2hGgWi2rq>

**SURFKIDS**

Childrens Surfing Programme.

Learn the skills of Surfing in a fun, safe environment. All equipment provided and professional instruction from Aaron Lock and team. For kids 8 - 14 years.

Sundays 10am to 12pm.

Dec / Jan Holidays : from 19th Dec, 10am -12pm

Cost \$35 per day or \$160 for five lessons. Bookings essential.

Venue :Sumner.

Call Aaron on 0800 80 SURF (7873) or register online at [surfcoach.co.nz/book](https://surfcoach.co.nz/book)



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### TMC Trucking and Industry Show - Family fun!!!

A fantastic family event coming up on Saturday November 26<sup>th</sup> at the Canterbury Agricultural Park in Christchurch. The TMC Trucking Industry Show is New Zealand's largest Trucking Festival and there is so much going on, making it heaps of fun for the whole family! **Kids are FREE and all kids activities at the show are FREE too!** Adults are just \$10 entry.

There are so many activities for the kids – plan to stay all day! These include:

- The largest truck bouncy castle in the world – a 22m long truck obstacle course (for kids over 10 years old)
- The Mega truck bouncy castle 14m long!
- The Carter Tyre Run – race through the tyre run in the quickest time to win prizes at the end of the show
- Road Metals Giant Sand Pits with hidden treasure– one for the little-ies and one for kids over 8 years old. Dig for treasure and win prizes!
- The Valvoline Road Safety Scooter Track – grab a pedal kart or scooter and race around the track, learning some fun road rules at the same time
- Activities Chill Tent – including colouring-in competitions for all ages
- Trucking 9-hole Mini-golf course – grab a putter and make it round the trucks to beat your family and friends
- People's Choice – vote for your favourite truck, it'll be pretty hard to pick from the 400 trucks on display!
- The RC Haulers Radio Control Trucks – these miniature trucks have amazing detail and will be driving around a huge Trucking Village

Over 400 big shiny trucks will be on display, so walk around and vote for your favourite in the People's Choice competition. There will be plenty of food vendors, coffee, ice cream and sheltered areas to relax, as well as the huge Monstavisision screen where you can sit and watch the excitement from the industry competitions. The Show Shop will have a great selection of truck toys and remote control trucks available from just \$30 – arrive early as these sell out fast.

**KIDS GO FREE & ALL ACTIVITIES FREE!**



**22M LONG GIANT BOUNCY TRUCK OBSTACLE COURSE!**

**9-hole Trucking Mini-golf Tyre Obstacle Course**  
**Colouring Competitions**  
**Bouncy Castle Trucks**  
**Road Metals Giant Sand Pits**  
**Vote for your Favourite Truck**  
**Plus much more!**

[www.nztruckingassn.co.nz/trucking-industry-show](http://www.nztruckingassn.co.nz/trucking-industry-show)