



Newsletter #19 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 24th November 2023

E ara ake ana i te ūruhi
Rising Above The Ordinary

From The Principal - Te Pū kaea a te Tumuaki

Kia ora koutou, Heading in to the last three weeks of school it is hard to tell if we are 'winding down' or 'winding up'!

Our Year 7s and 8s have just finished their three day camps down at Staveley. I had a fantastic day down there last week taking part in the 'legacy project' work in the beech forest, where our Year 7s were learning to identify native species and also helping remove exotic plants. I loved seeing how hard our students worked and hearing how well they understood the need for this important work. It was delightful to receive the following message from the camp staff today:



"Kia ora wonderful teachers. Thank you so much for bringing your students to Kakariki Camps. As a school you bring passion, manners, curiosity and wonder. As teachers, wow, you're all off the scale and, along with the parents, we enjoyed you so much. Arohanui."

I am very much looking forward to next Friday, December 1st, when we celebrate our Rāwhiti Day of Action. This is the culmination of our years focus on understanding the concept of Kaitiakitanga. Parents and whānau are invited to join us and be a part of this day. There will be various activities celebrating our learning and different events are taking place across the day. If you have not seen the Hero post from earlier in the week, you will find all of the information further on in this newsletter.

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Mark Your Calendar

NOVEMBER

- 29th Canterbury Athletics
- 30th Kapa Haka Festival 5pm

DECEMBER

- 1st Kaitiakitanga Day of Action
- 1st Whole School Assembly
- 4th Board of Trustees, 5pm
- 6-8 Library Closed For Stock-Take
- 7th Parent Helper/Supporters Function 5pm
- 11th Showcase Assembly, 1pm
- 11th Year 8 Formal Dinner, 6pm
- 12th Rumbustification Day
- 13th Leavers Assembly, 6pm
- 14th School Finishes—12pm

JANUARY 2024

- 31st Goal Setting Day— more details coming out soon

FEBRUARY 2024

- 1st First Day of Instruction
- 1st Mihi Whakatau, 9.15am
- 5th SCHOOL CLOSED
- 6th SCHOOL CLOSED—
Waitangi Day



Te Ara Tūhura Cluster KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL 2023



All schools will be performing:

5.00pm Welcome

5.15pm Te Rito Harakeke Marshland

5.30pm Mairehau Primary

5.45pm Pūtahi Belfast

6.00pm New Brighton Catholic

6.15pm Te Maire St Francis

6.30pm Rāwhiti

6.45pm Mairehau High School

- No parking onsite
- Kensington St & Nancy Ave both have entrances to the back field area

St Francis of
Assisi School Field
370 Innes Rd,
St Albans, CHCH

Thursday
30 November


Come for a night of celebration and share in the tamariki's hard work and passionate commitment to their schools' Kapa Haka group.

Bring your whānau, blanket, chairs, kai, etc.

Bring some pūtea (money) as some food trucks & sausage sizzle will be on site.

Community Notices – Ngā pānui a te hapori

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FREE event for parents

Supporting Young People To Be Safer Online

Join us for a free presentation & discussion for Parents & Whānau

29 NOVEMBER 2023 at 7PM


WEBINAR

Netsafe's Education Advisor will talk about the risks, challenges and opportunities of digital technology, and the practical ways we can help young people to be safe online.

There will be plenty of time to answer your questions.

Contact carriem@netsafe.org.nz for more information

Link to the teams call to join the webinar:
shorturl.at/zGK14



RSVP VIA QR CODE OR LINK:
tinyurl.com/we6cx4f5



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Are you the next Star of Christmas?

Win the opportunity to record a Christmas carol in studio with Nathan King from Zed

The grand prize
Record a Christmas carol in studio with Nathan King from Zed, return flights to Auckland for two (if you live outside of Auckland), hotel accommodation for one night and a studio tour.

To enter
Must be under 13 years old. Email yourself singing a Christmas carol to christmas@newstalkzb.co.nz before entries close 11 December.



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Host Families Wanted

Shirley Boys' High School is currently recruiting homestay families for International Students arriving at the beginning of next year (2024).

We are looking for hosts for

- 1) Short term Korean group arriving on Feb 14th and departing on Feb 26th.
Double placement possible.
Short term Thai group arriving Mar 11 and departing Apr 5 (they will away in Queenstown over Easter break)
- 2) Term 1 placements, approx 8-10 weeks , Japanese, Single Placement, All 15 students are Japanese
- 3) One year placements, Combination of Japanese, Thai and Korean students. Single placement.
Some may continue into 2025. First host is not committed to continue to host the following year.



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We are looking for caring host families who are prepared to care for and parent the students as they would like their own children to be cared for. Homestay payment is \$300 per week per student. This would include 3 meals a day, unlimited wifi and laundry. Longer term students must have their own room with a desk for study.

If you are interested in hosting a boy for Shirley Boys' High School, please reply to Leanne Russ – lor@shirley.school.nz

FUNDAMENTAL FRIDAY



Learn to skateboard at your school
We have boards, safety gear, ramps and more. learn with confidence under the supervision of our trained instructors. We teach a step by step program making it easier to learn how to, ride, tiktak, carve and step off a skateboard. Challenge yourself with some with new tricks, hippie jumps, board flips, drop in and more... No registration needed just come say hello.
Classes are \$20 payable in cash or online Skate skool 38-9023-0151048-01
3:15 - 4:45 AT YOUR SCHOOL

Coming to Rāwhiti on Fri 1st December—**BOOK IN NOW!**



Anyone (no criteria) can go in and choose food to fill a grocery basket and pay just \$25 (worth approx. \$75). They also have produce boxes available \$15 - \$40 (depending on size).
It is located on 136 Springfield Road.
Open Tuesday - Thursday 10:00am - 4:00pm