



Newsletter #20 - Te Pānui o te kura o Rāwhiti: 8th December 2023

E ara ake ana i te ūruhi
Rising Above The Ordinary

From The Principal - Te Pū kāea a te Tumuaki

Kia ora koutou,

And just like that - the school year is done—only 3.5 days left!

There is still plenty happening here at school before we finish up next Thursday lunchtime - so here is a final rundown of next week for you.

Monday Dec 11th:

- Showcase Assembly 1pm
- 2024 Information envelopes coming home including studio placements, stationery lists etc
- Year 8 Dinner

Tuesday Dec 12th:

- Rāwhiti Rumbustification Day (at school, Rāwhiti students only)

Wednesday Dec 13th:

- Leavers' Assembly 6pm - all children expected to attend

Thursday Dec 14th:

- Poroporoaki in each Learning Studio—School finishes at 12pm

Please do bring your children to the Leavers Assembly on Wednesday at 6pm. 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. The usual running time is 1 hour.

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Mark Your Calendar

DECEMBER

- 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





Tips for Managing Screentime on the School Holidays

As the school holidays approach, it's natural for kids to get excited about having more free time to spend on their favourite screens. However, as parents and caregivers, it's important to encourage healthy screen time habits to ensure that our children maintain a healthy balance of activities. With so many entertainment options available, it can be challenging to manage screen time effectively. Check out our latest blog for some tips to help manage screentime harmoniously over the school holidays. We wish you and your school community a Happy Holidays!

Need a Dog sitter or Dog Walker?

Check out "[T-Bone The Dog Walker's](#)" [Facebook page](#)

Not only does Tyrone deliver the school lunches, and dress up as The Chicago Santa, he also has a dog walking/sitting/training business. He owned a doggie daycare in Dallas, Texas before moving to NZ.



SUMMER SURF CAMP

Merry Christmas!

START THE DAY OFF SURFING WITH STOKED

DAILY LESSONS

HOLIDAY PROGRAM

FAMILY LESSONS

CHRISTMAS GIFT VOUCHERS

BOOK ONLINE OR EMAIL US

HELLO@STOKEDSURFSCHOOL.CO.NZ

SANTA PHOTOS

AT
THE NEW BRIGHTON MUSEUM
8 HARDY STREET

Saturdays and Sundays

9TH-10TH, 16TH-17TH and 23RD- 24TH

DECEMBER 1PM -4PM

Bring your family, pets are welcome too, and take your own photos with Santa.

Gold coin donation.

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.)



WORD
YOUTH MTB ADVENTURES
January Holiday Camps

WORD mountain bike camps are the best part of the school holidays! Each camp we will ride, learn and giggle...heaps!

There's a variety of camps on offer, so check out the age groups below to see which ones would be the most fun for your young person. All WORD camps are open to kids of all MTB skill abilities. We split into groups, so we can ride with mates of similar redness. Places are limited, so get in quick!

[7-9 years old holiday camps](#)
[10-12 year old holiday camps](#)
[13-17 year old holiday camps](#)

WORD (World Off-road Riding Decentment) is a youth mountain bike charity based in Wellington, Wānaka, and Ōtautahi, Aotearoa. We support youth to be good people and good mountain bikers and create opportunities for young people to ride, connect and adventure!

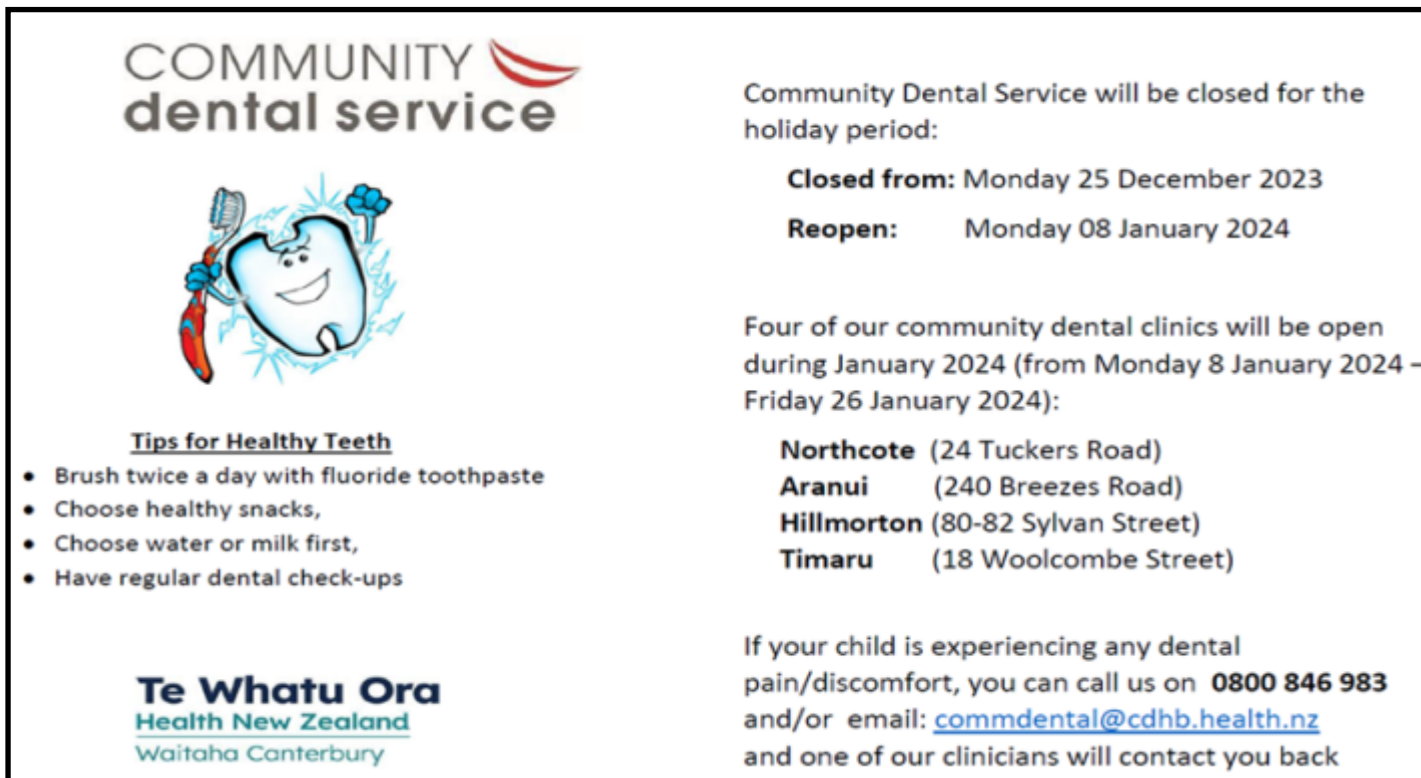
MORE INFO:
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DRAGONS 5-7YR
YOUTH 8-12YR
SENIORS 13YR+

WINNER TOP 2 #1
 2023
 WINNER TOP 2 #1
 2022

SCAN ME
 WWW.SMAKARATE.CO.NZ



COMMUNITY dental service



Tips for Healthy Teeth

- Brush twice a day with fluoride toothpaste
- Choose healthy snacks,
- Choose water or milk first,
- Have regular dental check-ups

Te Whatu Ora
 Health New Zealand
 Waitaha Canterbury

Community Dental Service will be closed for the holiday period:
Closed from: Monday 25 December 2023
Reopen: Monday 08 January 2024

Four of our community dental clinics will be open during January 2024 (from Monday 8 January 2024 – Friday 26 January 2024):

- Northcote** (24 Tuckers Road)
- Aranui** (240 Breezes Road)
- Hillmorton** (80-82 Sylvan Street)
- Timaru** (18 Woolcombe Street)

If your child is experiencing any dental pain/discomfort, you can call us on **0800 846 983** and/or email: commdental@cdhb.health.nz and one of our clinicians will contact you back

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Summer 3D DESIGN WORKSHOPS

Experience the entire 3D design process in our 2.5 hour classes these Summer Holidays at Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre.

Workshops run 9.30am-12.00pm and 1.30pm-4.00pm and cost \$20 per student. Cost includes the workshop and two printed designs.

Wed 3rd Jan: Flexi Toys
 Fri 5th Jan: Pencil Holder
 Mon 8th Jan: Stamps
 Wed 10th Jan: Phone Stand
 Wed 17th Jan: Treasure Box
 Fri 19th Jan: Star Lantern

www.theprintabledragon.com

Suitable for participants aged 8-15 years old. Minimum age requirement of 8 years old applies. Terms and Conditions apply.




CODINGNZ
 Summer 2023/24

Free Coding Holiday Activity

Ages: 9 & 10, 11 & 12, 13 & 14, 15 to adult

Educational? Yes!
 Fun? Yes!
 Affordable? Yes! (it's free!)

Suitable for beginner to advanced coders

Limited spots

SIGN UP FOR FREE NOW:
codingnz.com/freeactivity

AKOTECH CodeCamps Summer School Holidays - FREE PRIZE & EARLY DISCOUNTS

Our holiday camp allows children from the ages of 7-12 to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed environment. Create and train your own AI Avatars, make games, code drones & go to work for a simulated Tech Gaming Studio to build games for a big pretend client.

Develop confidence & initiative through design, creativity, solving problems, presenting & collaboration. Create your own games, worlds and apps to make our world a better place.

We also have **Literati Lab** just for girls

Enter our competition to win a FREE 4 day pass to one of our CodeCamps

Venues: Canterbury Uni & St Andrews College

Dates: 8th - 11th & 15th - 18th January

Book Now at www.akotech.nz

Competition: www.codecamp.co.nz/competition

EarlyBird Save Up to 21% Until 14th December

Siblings Save 6%