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Principal Report



Woohoo that great yellow thing in the sky has returned at last!

Hopefully we can get everything dried out ready for the frosts.



Week 3

We had a fantastic trip to the Rotorua Forestry Nursery where the children learnt all about pine trees growing from seeds and cuttings. Thank you to the fabulous staff at the nursery who were absolutely marvellous with the children.



During the week some students also went to Reporoa to play rugby for the Fell Cup. Our Year 3-4 team went exceptionally well and some of the boys had their first game of tackle rugby. Well done Taituha Dawson, Jonty Armer, DC Gulde, Charlie and Ryan Schutt. Hemi Dawson and Morgan Perry played in a composite Year 6-8 team and made some great runs and tackles.

Top effort to all of our players.



Teachers have been working with Karen and Amy from Evaluation Associates to develop our skills in teaching 'Assessment for Learning'. The key idea is to help the children develop their self

assessment skills to give the children more agency and voice in how, what and when they learn.

Friday Sports helpers needed

Friday Sports is a great way to get the community involved in what we do at school. We are looking for anyone who wants to come down to school at 2.00pm on Friday afternoons to help with our sports games. This term we are doing: Rippa rugby, netball, soccer and hockey. If you are able to help please get in touch and we will organise a roster system for everyone.

Weetbix TRYathlon - Thursday 1st June

This event has been postponed to Thursday 1st June. We still need parent helpers for this event. Please let us know if you can help on this day. Briefing will be held at 9.15am, with our school finishing expected around 11.15am.

PTA corner

The PTA would like to inform the community that **Sammie Allen** is our new Chairperson. Congratulations on your new position Sammie, you are very grateful for you stepping up to this position.

We would like to extend our thanks to **Angela Robinson** for her dedication to our school and the children over the very many years she has been a part of our school community.

We hugely appreciate all that you have done and all that you continue to do for our children and community.

*It is the people who strengthen
our community and connections.*

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Please put your hands together 🙌🙌🙌
Last week's certificates went to...



Renata Davey and Temple O'Brien for having a positive attitude towards learning. Taituha Dawson for making a special effort to complete his work to a high standard. Paige Jepsen for always doing her best work. Charlie Schutt for always making an effort in his reading. Daniel Swan & Hemi Dawson for great attitude and determination in reading this week. Morgan Perry for showing great leadership and helping others in their learning.



The Principal Certificate went to...

Lucy Page for perseverance.



House Points

Each week we will be giving out a house cup to the house that's in the lead. Students can earn house points by following our school rules, being on task and even when they get caught being awesome.

Our house leaders are:

Tarawera - Connor McMillan & Josh Roberts

Kakaramea - Zoey Mclean & Holly Rogers

Congratulations to our house winner last week..

Kakaramea



Dates to Remember

Wed 24 May	Fun Run
Fri 26 May	Arataki Honey Trip
Wed 31 May	Cluster Cross Country
Thu 1 Jun	LRS Weetbix TRYathlon
Mon 5 Jun	King's Birthday
5 - 9 Jun	Hillary Outdoor Camp
Sat 17 Jun	PTA Amazing Race
Fri 30 Jun	Term 3 Ends

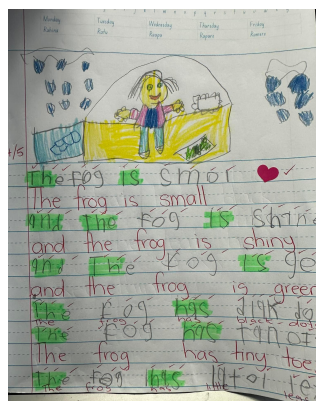
TERRIFIC TUPU

A lot of frogs have been hopping around school due to the rainy weather we had last week. We managed to catch one for a little while and we made some scientific observations about it.

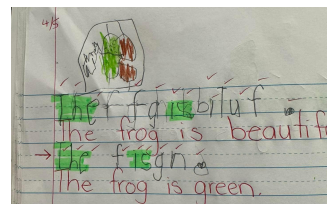


We talked about what we could see, smell and hear (We left out taste and feel because we didn't want to harass the poor fella!) As a whole class we made a brainstorm and then students went off to write their own observations about the frog. We let the frog go quickly after our observations.

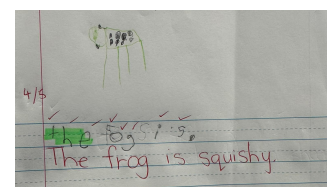
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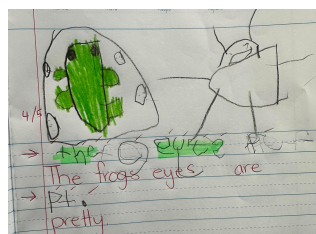
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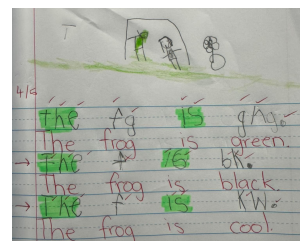
Charlie Whitworth



Elsie Pacey



Lucy Page



MAHURI

It has been raining for a week and it has been annoying but it has been sunny sometimes. I don't like it because I can't play outside. I like to colour in. By Stella

It was raining and I had to play inside. I wanted to play outside so I can ride my bike. I wanted to ride my scooter so I watched TV. By Evelyn

It's been raining for a week and it's been fun because my mum lets me play in the rain and when I see a puddle I jump in it. It is fun because I get wet and my hair gets wet.

By Eva-Rose

It's been raining for days. Hi my name is Paige. Did you know that rain can turn to snow! But it has not done that. But it only does that when it's cold. The rain can make puddles for you to splash in. Even to feed the plants and seeds. Rain is sometimes bad. Rain is fun to play in. By Paige

Past Pupil Endeavours: Max Fraser-Harris, Year 11 RBHS

During the school holidays I had the opportunity to sail on a 7 day youth trip on the R.Tucker Thompson in the Bay of Islands. As well as myself, there were 11 other trainees plus 6 awesome crew members. The weather was pretty wild with rain and winds gusting to 40 knots. It made for some pretty thrilling sailing!

Every morning the crew would wake us up to go for a morning swim before we were put in our groups and went on with our duties. Our daily routine consisted of chores, breakfast,



sailing, onshore activities, beautiful island walks and learning to manage the ship so that we could sail the ship all by ourselves as a team for the final stretch home. The highlight of the trip for me was being able to climb up the rigging daily and conquer my fear of heights and being chosen by my peers to be first mate on the last day which was epic. I'm really fortunate to have this experience as I got to make new friends and I

also got to experience first hand what my grandad built and what my mother used to captain until she came to Rerewhakaaitu.



RAKAU

What goes up a chimney down, but won't go down a chimney up?
An Umbrella!



Rakau has had a fantastic week of learning despite the constant rain we have had this week. Well done to those students who participated and represented the school in the Fell Cup Rugby on Tuesday. A BIG thank you to our parent helpers who looked after our rugby players for the day, without your support participating in events like this wouldn't be possible. Last week we were super excited to start our passion projects! Rakau really enjoyed being big buddies in the cooking passion project. Here are some photos from our first cooking session where we made rhubarb pies.

Have a safe and happy weekend.

Ng ā mihi,
Rakau Class





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Even kids can't imagine the real difference financial support could make for their family.

Kids have big imaginations. So when asked how they'd spend an extra \$300 a week we got some very ambitious answers...



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Working for Families payments help families busy raising the next generation.

Payments are based on your income, family circumstances and are available to qualifying families with dependent children 18 years or under.




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There are four types of Working for Families payments.

You may qualify for more than one payment type, depending on your personal situation.



Best start tax credit

A payment for families supporting a newborn baby.

If you qualify for Best Start you'll receive the payment until your child turns one - no matter what your family earns. You could continue to receive Best Start payments until your child turns three, but this will depend on what your family earns.

Best Start payments begin once paid parental leave finishes.

In-work tax credit

A payment for qualifying families who have some income from paid work each week, with no minimum hours of work required.

Like the family tax credit, this payment depends on how much your family earns.

If you're receiving an income-tested benefit or a student allowance you will not qualify for this payment.

Minimum family tax credit

A payment to make sure qualifying low-income families get a minimum level of income.

The parent, parents, or caregivers need to work a required number of hours for salary and wages.

A single parent must work at least 20 hours a week. In a two-parent family or other family structure, one or both parents between them must work at least 30 hours a week.

If you're receiving an income-tested benefit you will not qualify for this payment.

Family tax credit

A payment to help qualifying families with the costs of raising children.

This payment depends on how much your family earns, the number of dependent children you have, and any shared care arrangements.

If you receive an income-tested benefit you may also qualify for this payment. In this case, Work and Income will usually pay you the family tax credit.

To see if your family may qualify, check out the Working for Families calculator at ird.govt.nz/workingforfamilies - it only takes 5 minutes to complete.



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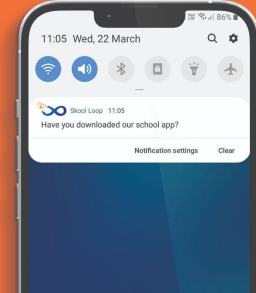
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