



*Kei te whakatakataka a matou akonga mo nga ahei a tona wa  
Preparing our students for the possibilities of tomorrow*

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## 16th June 2023

### Week 8

#### Principal Report

This week has been a fairly normal week as far as school activities go. A great time for the teachers and students to settle into regular academic school work and focus on their goals. There are two more weeks of the term left and we have a few activities coming up: Weetbix TRYathlon, BOP Interschool Cross Country, Pyjama Day and Sleepover, followed by our Matariki breakfast on the last day of school.

We have two students that qualified for the BOP Interschool Cross Country, to be held at Woodlands School in Opatiki next Thursday.

Well done to Jonty Armer and Hemi Dawson. Go hard and best of luck, we know you will do us proud.

#### Parent/Teacher Interviews

Written reports and parent interviews will be held in week 2 next term, Wednesday 26th July 2023. Appointment times will be made available at the end of this term. Bookings will be via the SKOOL Loop app. Interviews are 15 mins each. School will finish at 12pm, please advise us if you are not able to collect your children at 12pm, so we can plan accordingly.

#### Amazing Race day and Welcome In

The Amazing Race is tomorrow, starting at 1pm. We have a good number of competitors and it will be a fun day. Following this we are holding the prize giving and welcome into the district dinner starting at 5pm. We're looking forward to seeing some fun costumes and meeting some new faces 😊

Thank you for supporting us & our school community.

#### Bus reminders

If your child is not going on the bus or is being picked up by someone else can you please sign them out, ring the school, or send a note. This will be a huge help for our duty teachers at the end of the day and ensures the safety of your children.

If you are picking your children up after school and crossing the road, can you please cross the road to the left of the car park.

Children's behaviour on the buses is sometimes a concern and we can deal with these as a collaboration between parents, children and the school. The drivers can not be responsible for the behaviour of the children on the bus as they need to have their full concentration on driving.

Our bus runs are run by Go Bus, as a business. If you have issues with the buses or the drivers the contact for Go Bus is: 29 Salisbury Road, Rotorua 3015.

Tel: 07 543 2926.

Email: [rotorua@gobus.co.nz](mailto:rotorua@gobus.co.nz)

#### Any upcoming students / new entrants

If you have any children new to the area or are due to turn 5 over the next year, can you please let us know, drop in, email or call to let us know by the end of Term. This will enable us to get an idea for student numbers and planning.

#### TRYathlon - Next Wednesday

Our school will be hosting our very own TRYathlon on Wednesday 21st 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.

#### Pyjama Day

We are having a Pyjama day on Thursday 29th June. Come along dressed in your favourite pyjamas. We are also planning a school sleepover that night with Matariki breakfast the next morning. More information will be sent out about this next week.

## School Cell phone

Please delete the school cell phone number as a point of contact. We are not consistently receiving texts from parents, or very delayed - some at 10pm at night! Therefore you need to advise us as below;

**Absentees** - Skool Loop or 07 3666 814 (leave a message)

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## Dates to Remember

Sat 17 Jun	PTA Amazing Race / Welcome In
Wed 21 Jun	LRS Weetbix TRYathlon
Thu 29 Jun	Pyjama Day
Fri 30 Jun	Matariki Breakfast / Term 2 Ends
Mon 17 Jul	Term 3 Starts
Tue 25 Jul	Board Meeting 7pm
Wed 26 Jul	Parent / Teacher Interviews
Fri 28 Jul	Shave for a Cure fundraiser

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



**Renata Davey, Lucy Page, Tennille Banfield, Cayden Allen, Deisel Johnson** - Working hard in early words.

**Te Kohu Gulde** - Doing great reading, focussing and making progress. **Monique Sterkenberg** - Using her word book to correct her writing. **Addison Banfield** -

Being a kind, caring and helpful member.

**Riki-Lee Banfield** - Great attitude towards math and making steady progress.

**Hemi Dawson** - Having a great attitude and growth mindset towards reading.

**The Principal Certificate went to...Toby Marshall** for great perseverance



*A warm welcome to Flynn & Ted Reid and their family who are new to our school community.*

*We wish you all a wonderful new journey here at Lake Rerewhakaaitu.*

## 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

### Kakaramaea

Zaey Mclean & Holly Rogers

Congratulations to our house winner last week..

### Tarawera



## Automatic External Defibrillator



Although it has been here for a while now, a big thank you to the community for getting the Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) installed at Rerewhakaaitu. It has been used on several occasions since it was installed. These machines can help to save lives and the St Johns statistics

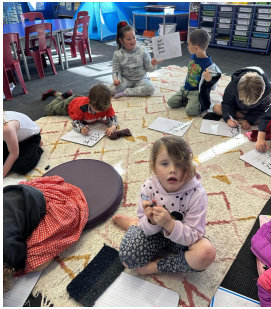
show why we need an AED:

1. Each year more than **2,000 New Zealanders will suffer a cardiac arrest** outside of hospital
2. For **72% of cardiac arrests a bystander** will perform CPR
3. People may show no warnings or prior symptoms and **12% survive** to hospital discharge following a cardiac arrest
4. Use of an AED within 3-5 min of collapse can increase the **chance of survival by up to 44%**

The Automatic External Defibrillator that is situated at the Hall is locked. If you have an emergency where you need to access the machine, dial 111 and they will give you the pass code that will open the cabinet.

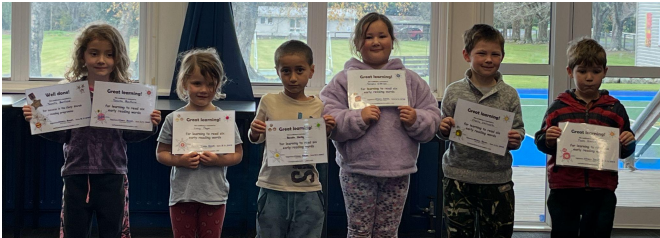
We wish to inform all Rerewhakaaitu residents that a fully automatic defibrillator is available at Trevor & Harriet Hamilton's residence 803 Ashpit Road Rerewhakaaitu around the back side of Lake Rerewhakaaitu. Because this defibrillator is fully automatic no training is required simply turn on and place the pads on the patient, the device takes over. This defibrillator will be registered with St John. The Defibrillator will be positioned at the front door under the porch and will be in a non-coded box for quick access.





## TERRIFIC TUPU

Our students have loved progressing and taking part in Early words. Early words is a programme that helps kids to learn their sight words through repetition and activities.

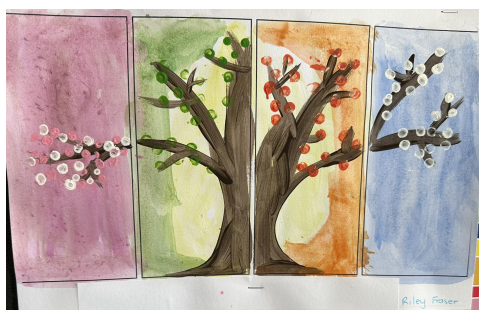


### The Seasons

For the last two weeks we have been learning about the different seasons, what we see, hear and feel and the order of them.



After writing about each season, we typed them up and then created a piece of art work with all the seasons.



## MAHURI

If hedgehogs feel frightened they roll up into a ball. Baby hedgehogs are called hoglets. By Flynn

They turn into a ball to protect themselves. They are black and brown and they sleep in the daytime. By Syllas

Hedgehogs look like spiky balls. Hedgehogs have furry bottoms and little tails. Hedgehogs have brown spiky spikes. Hedgehogs eat snails and slugs. Hedgehogs come out at night. Hedgehogs live in leaf piles and bushes. Hedgehogs hibernate at winter. By Tai



Hedgehogs live in piles of leaves and paddocks. They also live in paddocks and gardens. Hedgehogs eat snails, slugs and earthworms. Hedgehogs look like spiky balls. They are brown. Did you know hedgehogs are nocturnal? Hedgehogs root up paddocks with their nose. By DC

Hedgehogs roll up into spikey balls only when they are scared. Baby hedgehogs are called hoglets. Hedgehogs hibernate, hibernate means they sleep at winter. Hedgehogs eat worms, caterpillars and cat food. By Finn

Hedgehogs live in hedges and farms and in paddocks and hedgehogs eat snails and slugs and earthworms and beetles and when hedgehogs are frightened they curl up into a ball. By Te Ngahere

## RAKAU

**Why did the Tomato start blushing?**  
**Because it saw the salad dressing!**

- Jake from Holly & Zoey

Kia ora koutou katoa,

Rakau has had another amazing week of learning. We have been really interested in learning about the Super 36 to learn all our multiplication and division facts. Students have been refining their research skills gathering information for their chosen plants for report writing. Could we please have ALL chocolate money and any unsold chocolates back to school ASAP! We have been taking orders for whole boxes before we place another order. If you would like a box, 36 bars for \$72, please let Miss Gow or Carla in the office know. Have a fantastic week. Ng ā mihi, Rakau Class

**Hillary Outdoors Camp.** Whoosh! The canoes hit the water 3 combined canoes (6 canoes in total) connected by wood and multiple pieces of rope. In our double canoes we had 5 people one was me another was Bryce and our instructor for the week Chucky was also in our canoes. We had 2 other people in our canoes, 2 boys named Rico and Milton. It was hard work paddling but since Chucky was the instructor he wanted to stay behind just in case something happened to someone in front. Once all the canoes went in front we started paddling again but it didn't last very long. Soon our paddles did nothing  
**WE WERE BEACHED!!!**

Chucky said we had to abandon ship and Rico jumped out immediately and started pushing the boat. Bryce and I used our paddles and pushed it into the sand. We got unbeached. After some paddling we got to a dead end but backwards there was a small waterfall. All of us went to it but the current made by the waterfall pushed us back so we couldn't get to it. After about 25 minutes we left the waterfall and went back to the place where we set off. Getting all of the canoes back on the trailer was hard work but the canoeing was amazing. Hillary Outdoors was one of the best experiences in my life.

By Connor McMillan



## Edventure Young Explorers Camp

Mon 10th - Thu 13th July (2nd week of the holidays)

We have an amazing week lined up with bush walks, archery, air rifle, rock climbing, fire building and cooking, hut building, tenting (optional), orienteering, team building and confidence activities, & night activities. Based at Aongatete Lodge- near Katikati.

Check out the NEW: [Edventure Tauranga Facebook](#); or e-mail: [todd@edventure.co.nz](mailto:todd@edventure.co.nz) for more information.

*Come and Join*

# PTA

**BE BETTER CONNECTED**  
CREATE CLOSER LINKS WITH THE HEAD, TEACHERS AND STAFF. IF YOU'RE NEW TO THE SCHOOL, THE PTA IS AN EXCELLENT WAY TO FIND OUT HOW THINGS WORK AND BECOME PART OF THE COMMUNITY. IF NOT, YOU'LL STILL GAIN GREATER INSIGHT BY SEEING HOW THINGS WORK FROM BOTH SIDES.

**IMPROVE YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING**  
STUDIES SHOW THAT CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS ARE INVOLVED IN SCHOOL EDUCATION DO BETTER. IT SHOWS YOUR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION IS IMPORTANT TO YOU. PLAY YOUR PART IN IMPROVING YOUR CHILD AND WATCH THEM THRIVE.

**CREATE LASTING MEMORIES**  
OUR CHILDREN ARE ONLY AT SCHOOL FOR A FEW YEARS. BUT THEY WILL REMEMBER THE DIFFERENCE WE MAKE FOR A LIFETIME. THEY WILL MAKE FOR A LIFETIME. THEY WILL CHERISH THE ACTIVITIES AND GAMES WE FUND. LEARN USING RESOURCES WE BUY. AND REMEMBER THE EVENTS WE HOLD. HELP KEEP THE PTA GOING SO FUTURE PUPILS CAN BENEFIT TOO.

**SUPPORT THE SCHOOL**  
THE PTA IS VITAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THE SCHOOL. CHILDREN'S LEARNING AND EVERY STUDENT'S EXPERIENCE THAT PAYS FOR THE PLAYGROUND YOUR CHILD LOVES OR FUNDS THE LIBRARY THAT'S THEIR FAVOURITE PLACE TO BE.

**IT'S NOT JUST FOR MUMS**  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME. AND IT'S ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TO HAVE DADS AND MALE CARERS REPRESENTED. AS MALE ROLE MODELS ARE CRUCIAL IN CHILDREN'S UPRISING. DADS CAN BRING A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE, AND THEY CAN BRING ALONG OTHER DADS.

**LEARN NEW SKILLS**  
EVERYONE HAS SOMETHING THEY CAN BRING TO THE PTA. BUT YOU CAN ALSO LEARN NEW SKILLS BY TRADING WITH OTHERS. ALWAYS WANTED TO PERFECT THAT COOKIE RECIPE? NOT SURE HOW TO DESIGN A POSTER? WANT TO HONE YOUR PUBLIC SPEAKING SKILLS? YOU CAN DO IT WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

**MAKE LASTING FRIENDSHIPS**  
MEET AND CHAT TO A WIDER CIRCLE OF FAMILIES FROM DIFFERENT CLASSES AND YEAR GROUPS. GET TO KNOW OTHER PARENTS, AND BOND OVER EXCITING EVENTS, SOCIALS AND GET-TOGETHERS. FIND A PLACE TO BELONG AND SPEND TIME WITH OTHERS WHO SHARE YOUR VALUES.

**IT'S TOTALLY FLEXIBLE**  
WHETHER YOU'RE A FULL-TIME PARENT OR WORKING THE NINE TO FIVE, ANYONE CAN GET INVOLVED. IT'S LESS COMMITMENT THAN YOU THINK, AND YOU DON'T ALWAYS HAVE TO ATTEND MEETINGS. SMALL JOBS SUCH AS DESIGNING A POSTER, DISTRIBUTING LETTERS OR RUNNING A STALL KEEP EVERYTHING RUNNING SMOOTHLY.

**BECAUSE IT'S FUN!**  
BE PART OF THE TEAM WHICH ORGANISES THE BEST EVENTS AND GET-TOGETHERS. DEBRIEF OVER A GLASS OF WINE (OR TWO). SUGGEST YOUR MOST HIRE-BRAINED IDEA AND WATCH AS IT CATCHES ON AND EVERYONE WANTS A PIECE OF THE ACTION. LAUGH, CRY, BE THERE FOR EACH OTHER.

**Lake Rerewhakaaitu School**  
TOGETHER WE GROW

Are you keen to see what PTA is all about?  
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## New: Unit Standards Level 1

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US	Title	Credits
<b>Work and Study Skills</b>		
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26624	Read texts with understanding	3
26625	Participate in spoken Interactions	3
26623	Use number to solve problems	4
26626	Interpret statistical information	3
26627	Use measurement to solve problems	3
7121	Search for, access and select information	2
<b>Communication Skills- Writing</b>		
3483	Fill in a form	2
<b>Communication Skills- Interpersonal communications</b>		
3503	Participate and communicate in a group to complete a task	2
<b>Computing</b>		
18743	Produce a spreadsheet from instructions	2
2792	Produce published documents using templates	2
<b>Occupational Health and Safety</b>		
487	Knowledge of workplace health and safety requirements	3

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