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## 19th May 2023

Week 4

#### **Principal Report**

This week we were lucky to have <u>Haka for Life</u> and <u>Corroboree for Life</u> come to school to share their stories and perform for us. The children were thoroughly entertained and participated in the dancing and interpretations of the emu (not flamingo), kangaroo (not rabbit) and dingo. The groups were here to farewell Jamie Schuster. Our sincere condolences go to the Schuster whanau.

Thank you to all of the community who supported our PTA with donations of food to cater for the service.









#### Irlens screening 25th May

The trust coordinates Irlen and Vision Screening to identify students who may be struggling with visual difficulty. Good vision is vital to students being able to access learning. 70% of young people with a learning difficulty will have visual issues of some kind. Sometimes it is unclear whether a child has an issue or not, so we screen all students in year 4, plus any new students in above year groups.

Our project involves screening students for Irlen Syndrome and other visual issues, and then referring on those who need it to the optometrist and Irlen Diagnosticians.

Thank you to Empowered Learning for providing this free service for our students.

#### Arataki Honey Trip

Next Friday we are going to Arataki Honey for part of our environmental topic. Our tour will be from 10 -11am. We will require some parental assistance with the trip, please let us know if you are able to help. We will be travelling by bus to Waiotapu.

#### School Cross Country / Fun Run

Just a quick update on the Cross Country this coming Wednesday, 24th May. Postponement will be advised via our school facebook page by 11.30am. Postponement day will be Monday 29th May.

#### Please dress in house colours

#### The Cross Country will be held at school

Lunch will be from 11.30am -12.15pm

Rakau will be having a **sausage sizzle on the day** to fundraise for senior camp

Sausage sizzle \$2.00, no pre-ordering required.

#### The races will start at 12.30pm (see below)

Distances: Year 1 & 2: 0.5km. Year 3 & 4: 1.0km Year 5 & 6: 1.5km. Year 7 & 8: 2.0km

#### Event times:

The following approximate starting times are for organisational use only. They may be adjusted on the day depending on group numbers and time taken to finish races.

If you want to see your child/ren run - you will need to be here at 12.30pm.

12.30 pm	Pre School
12.35 pm	Year 1 boys
	Year 1 girls
12.40pm	Year 2 boys
12.45pm	Year 2 girls
12.50pm	Year 3 boys
	Year 3 girls
1.00pm	Year 4 boys
	Year 4 girls
1.10pm	Year 5 boys
	Year 5 girls
1.20pm	Year 6 boys
1.30pm	Year 6 girls
1.45pm	Year 7 boys, Year 7 girls
2.00pm	Year 8 boys, Year 8 girls

#### 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 - Wednesday 21st June

Third time lucky!  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\rightarrow}$  Due to a possible teacher strike (watch this space), the TRYathlon has been rescheduled to Wednesday 21st June. We apologise for the disruptions, but our priority is for this event to go ahead for our tamariki.

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.

#### Photolife

Order codes have been emailed to caregivers emails direct from Photolife **\*\*\*FREE DELIVERY EXPIRES Midnight Sunday 21st May \*\*\*** If you can't see them, please check your trash / spam folder, if that fails please email office@lakerere.school.nz





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#### **Fuel for Schools**

We would like to take the time to mention who those members of the community are that have contributed to our school, they are listed as follows:

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Dates to Remember	
Wed 24 May	Fun Run
Fri 26 May	Arataki Honey Trip
Wed 31 May	Cluster Cross Country
Mon 5 Jun	King's Birthday
5 - 9 Jun	Hillary Outdoor Camp
Tue 13 Jun	Board Meeting 7pm
Sat 17 Jun	PTA Amazing Race
Wed 21 Jun	LRS Weetbix TRYathlon *New date*
Fri 30 Jun	Term 3 Ends

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



Caoimhe Dawson for passing Early Words One. Charlie Whitworth and Cayden Allen for consistently

sounding out words in reading and writing. DC Gulde for focussed work in all areas this week. Te Ngahere Redmond for being a focussed and thoughtful learner. Syilas Hemi for being a great Karakia leader. Bryce Davey for showing great leadership qualities. Connor McMillan for a fantastic attitude towards learning.



The Principal Certificate went to... Bryce Davey for manaakitanga



#### **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:

<u>Tarawera</u> - Connor McMillan & Josh Roberts

<u>Kakaramea</u>- Zoey Mclean & Holly Rogers Congratulations to our house winner

last week.. **Tarawera** 



# TERRIFIC TUPU

In mathematics our Huhu group are learning to say the number before and after. They have been practising numbers up to IO and now they are ready for numbers up to 20.





Students have also loved our tuakana teina time of learning about soil and seeds. This week we dived into a science kit where students got to do some experiments around scarlet runner beans, mung beans and how the germination process looks.





# Mahuri

The tree nursery was fun. I saw some tractors and I saw some small trees and there was a dog too, and a seed planter and there was a

weed sprayer and a tree cutter and they put the trees back in the ground. By Liam

We went on the bus to go to the nursery. On the bus we sang songs. Then we saw a

dog and we learned about pine trees. All of the tractors cut the bottom off the pine tree. Then we had lunch. By Evelyn

I learned about the trees and seeds. The tractor has a razor blade on the bottom and there is a seat on the back to control the up and down. By Syilas







We went to the Owhata Tree Nursery. There was lots and lots of little trees. By Nikau

First we went into our house groups. When we got there we talked about pine trees. There was about 28,000 trees in a row. Then we went to see the tractors. Each tractor



was bigger than another. By Tai

Last week we went to the Owhata tree nursery. I did not know that you cut the roots off the bottom and sides of the pine trees, then

they stay little. By Te Ngahere



#### Why did the teddy bear skip out on dessert when she was on a date? RAKAU Because she was stuffed!

Rakau has had yet another fantastic week of learning. We are excited to announce that we will be off on beach camp in Term Y! Which leads to more exciting news, we will be doing a Whittakers Chocolate fundraiser.

Chocolate bars will be on sale for \$2 each, a box of 36 for \$72, each fundraising pack contains I2 bars each of Creamy Milk Slabs and 6 each of Coconut, Hokey Pokey, Peanut and Almond Gold (flavours subject to change depending on availability).

If you would like to buy a box please see or email Miss Gow natalieg@lakerere.school.nz.

To keep sugar hype at low during learning time, students will NOT be selling chocolate on the bus or before school. If students would like to purchase chocolates they can bring their money on Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's. Rakau students will be selling them during the second half of lunch time outside Rakau class. These little morsels are perfect to have on hand in the tractor or dairy during calving for that little pick me up! Get yours today!

Thank you in advance for your support in our camp fundraising, we really appreciate it! Ng  $\bar{a}$  mihi, Rakau Class

### Waiotapu Scout Group

This week at Scouts Cooper, Connor and Caitlin made damper dough then wrapped a sausage with it and cooked it over a fire. It was a super fun evening.



### **KID'S READS ANI** REVIEWS



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See some of the new children's and middle grades novels (ages 8-13) that have recently hit our shelves. Many of them are also Recommended Reads! You can find these books on the first shelf of the children's area.

- What Snail Knows by Kathryn Apel [Realistic fiction]
- The Lorikeet Tree by Paul Jennings [Realistic fiction]
- Bored: Evie Dreams Big by Matt Stanton [Humour]
- <u>The Great Fox Heist</u> by Justyn Edwards [*Mystery*]

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