



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

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23rd June 2023

Principal Report

We have passed the shortest day and are on the way to summer 😊 One more week of school for this term and we are halfway through the year. It has been a great term with cross countries, fun run and TRYathlon, trips to the Forestry nursery and Benny Bee. The children have been studying plants and sustainable systems as well as numeracy and literacy, and we will be finishing off the term with a Pyjama day and sleepover, read on for more details.

Please be aware there have been a few cases of strep throat locally, so if you have a sore throat please get it checked out and swabbed by getting in touch with your healthcare provider or the lovely team at Reporoa Health 07 3337301.

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.

All children will have a permission form attached to the newsletter. Please fill this in and bring back to school ASAP

Week 9

to travel) and we are so pleased we were able to secure this for Lake Rerewhakaaitu School. Well done to Riki-Lee and Temple for winning the spot prizes for their exceptional efforts on the day.



Weetbix TRYathlon

What a fun-filled day we had with the Weetbix TRYathlon. All the children had a ball and so did the parents. Thank you to all of our parents and community members that came down to help on the day, what a great effort!

Bringing these sorts of events to school is rare (usually we have



Lost Property

Please come and check the lost property in Ngahere. There are lots of un-named garments, shoes and socks in there. Unclaimed items will be donated to charity after the end of the Term. Please remember to name all items, as children do not always recognise what's theirs.

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 on Monday 26th June. 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.

Please put your hands together 🙌🙌🙌

Last week's certificates went to...

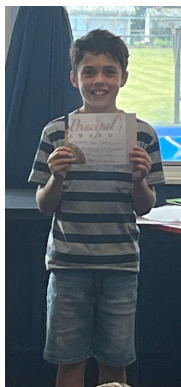


Deisel Johnston for working hard in writing and forming all his letters correctly. Ted Reid Welcome to Lake Rerewhakaaitu School! Elsie Pacey for working hard in class and developing strategies to finish her work. Flynn Reid for settling into new class routines in class and at school with a fabulous attitude - Welcome to our school. Toby Marshall for making a big effort to focus on his writing and following instructions.

Rebecca Sterkenburg for consistent perseverance in learning.

Ezekiel Poumako - Bartlett for showing kindness and compassion to others.

Dakota Nicholls for having a great attitude towards progressing in Reading.



The Principal Certificate went to...

Hemi Dawson for having a fantastic mindset towards learning



Dates to Remember

Thu 29 Jun	Pyjama Day / Sleepover
Fri 30 Jun	Matariki Breakfast / Term 2 Ends
Mon 17 Jul	Term 3 Starts
Tue 25 Jul	Board Meeting 7pm
Wed 26 Jul	Parent Interviews - school ends 12 noon
Fri 28 Jul	Shave for a Cure fundraiser

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 - Zoey Mclean & Holly Rogers

Congratulations to our house winner last week..

Congratulations to our house winner

last week.. Kakaramaea



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 THEIR EDUCATION DO BETTER IN SCHOOL. ENGAGING WITH THE PTA IS IMPORTANT TO YOU. PLAY YOUR PART IN IMPROVING THE SCHOOL 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 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. CHILD'S LEARNING AND MAKE BETTER. BE PART OF THE GROUP THAT PAYS FOR THE PLAYGROUND YOUR CHILD LOVES OR FUNDS THE LIBRARY THAT'S THEIR FAVOURITE PLACE TO BE.
- 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 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 UPBRINGING. DADS CAN BRING DIFFERENT SKILLS, THEY CAN BRING A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE, AND THEY CAN BRING ALONG OTHER DADS.
- 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 HARE-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

TERRIFIC TUPU

Botanical investigations

For the last two weeks Tarawera and Kakaremea have been learning about invasive species. Miss Gow has been teaching about invasive animals while Miss Harris has been teaching about invasive plants, after a week with one teacher the houses switch over.

Kakaremea learnt about Thistle, Blackberry, Mexican Daisy and German Ivy. We became botanists, and looked at how botanists in the past used to study plants and record them without technology. Then we created our own botanical journals with sketches of invasive plants that affect New Zealand.



RAKAU

What did the mama cow say to the calf?
It's pasture bedtime!



Rakau has had another fabulous week of learning. This week we visited our school library to find a novel/ chapter book we would enjoy reading throughout the day. Attached are some photos of us reading our exciting books. We have been working on comprehension and understanding what is actually

going on in different texts. We have been doing this in a number of ways, including sharing what we have read with our peers.

Our next Whittakers order arrived in Rotorua this morning and will be at school by Monday morning. If you have already paid and ordered a full box then these will be sent home with your children or can be collected from school on Monday. If you would like a box please call the school and let Miss Gow know, email

natalieg@lakerere.school.nz or call in and see her.



Some amazing Hedgehog art works from

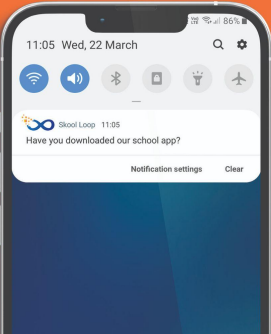
MAHURI



Have a safe and happy weekend!
Ng ā mihi, Rakau Class



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- Sign permission forms
- Book interviews and more!

Simple free download:
In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

Adventure 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, 8 night activities. Based at Aongatete Lodge- near Katikati.

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



HAVE YOU GOT SOME PROUD MOMENTS TO SHARE?

We would love to share your achievements and fun in our newsletter!

SEND THEM TO
OFFICE@LAKERERE.SCHOOL.NZ

DARKEST NIGHT



SATURDAY 24 JUNE

ZORB
ROTORUA

This is your chance to experience the thrill of rolling downhill in our ZORB balls, in the dark of night.

Beat the doom and gloom with glowing ZORB balls (yes we light them up) toasty warm hot tubs, delicious food from our friends at Tesha's Coffee and an electric atmosphere.

We only do this once a year, so celebrate the shortest day and the longest night of the year.

SATURDAY 24 JUNE 2023

5.00PM - 8.00PM

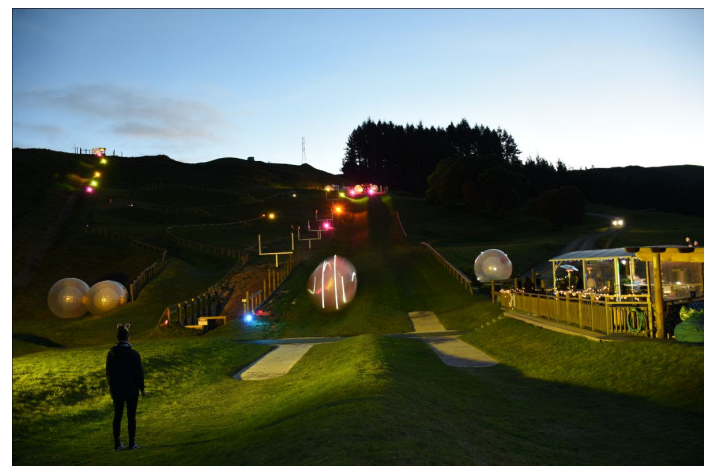
Limited tickets available! Get in quick to avoid missing out!

DARKEST NIGHT RIDING PRICES

- 1 ride for \$20.00 pp – 1x Straight Track (normally \$40.00)
- 2 rides for \$45.00 pp – 1x Straight Track & 1x Sidewinder Track OR 1x Big Air Track (normally \$85.00)
- 3 rides for \$60.00 pp (normally \$99.00) – 1x Straight Track, 1x Sidewinder & 1x Big Air Track

Please note:

- All rides are water rides (don't worry, it's warm water)
- Not available in conjunction with any other offers or deals.
- MEGA Track will not be available, it's just too dark and too scary!
- Each package is per person, every person riding needs to purchase a package -multi ride packages cannot be shared.




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