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Week 3

Principal Report

To achieve our target of 95% attendance rates we need your help and engagement at school. Parent Engagement in Schools is defined as parents and school staff working together to support and improve the learning, development, and health of children and adolescents. This is a shared responsibility in which schools and other community agencies and organisations are committed to reaching out to engage parents in meaningful ways, and parents are committed to actively supporting their children's and adolescents' learning and development. This positive relationship between schools and parents cuts across and reinforces children's health and learning in multiple settings—at home, in school, in out-of-school programs, and in the community. Research shows that positive parent engagement in schools is closely linked to better student behaviour, higher academic achievement, and enhanced social skills. It also makes it more likely that children and adolescents will avoid unhealthy behaviours.

Meet & Greet

Our Meet and Greet evening was our first planned event for engaging parents and the community in school. Thankfully it was able to go ahead earlier this week. The weather was perfect and we had a small group of families who came and enjoyed the evening.

We are planning more evenings to support parents with ways in which they can help at home. Some of the ideas we have put together are:

- An introduction to Seesaw and Skoolloop
- Reading, writing, and maths night for parents
- Ways of getting involved with the class etc

If you have any suggestions on what you would like, please contact me.

Ways to help with Reading at home:

1. Share the reading, take turns or see whether your child wants to read or be read to today.
2. All children like to be read to, so keep reading to them.
3. Visit the library together and help them choose books to share.
4. Read emails from family or whānau aloud.
5. Play card and board games together.

Working Bee 25th March

We will be having a Working Bee on Saturday 25th March from 10am - 2pm to get a few jobs done around school. Save the date, a list of jobs will be published in the next newsletter. BBQ lunch will be provided.

Swimming

Children are swimming everyday, as it is a part of the curriculum, all students are to bring their togs and towel each day.



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



Renata Davey for overcoming challenges and having a positive mindset.
Riley Fraser for being a kind member of Tupu.

Nikau Mohi for amazing effort in embracing challenges.

Jonty Armer for fantastic work in encouraging others.

Salem O'Brien and Morgan Perry for showing great

citizenship, kindness and respect for others and your environment.

Keep up the fantastic mahi!



Recently the PTA had the opportunity to man an aide station for the Tarawera Ultra Marathon (TUM). The TUM looked a little different this year due to slips on their usual route so Rerewhakaaitu was not on their route. The PTA along with some amazing helpers in the form of staff, parents and super star locals had the 4pm to 5am shift at Hemo Gorge. Our theme this year was Pirates & anything nautical! We had an amazing time helping the participants, handing out food, drinks, encouragement and a lot of lollies! There was a lot of coffee consumed to keep us awake and chipper. Thank you to all those that helped 🍌



Dates to Remember

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| Tue 28 Feb | PTA Meeting 6.30pm |
| Thu 9th Mar | Swimming sports |
| Wed 15th Mar | Cluster Swimming |
| Sat 25th Mar | Working bee |
| Thu 30th Mar | Cluster Summer Sports |
| Mon 3rd Apr | Photo life |
| Thu 6th Apr | Term 1 Ends |



**WORKING
BEE
VOLUNTEERS
needed!**



When?
10am - 2pm
25th March 2023

Where?
Lake Rerewhakaaitu
School

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Our School App

- 🔔 Events
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Tupu has been enjoying Friday tuakana teina time with Rakau class. After a nice refreshing swim, we settled down to read and listen to stories from the older students.

A great way to bond and get to know everyone at school!



Cyclone Gabrielle Hits

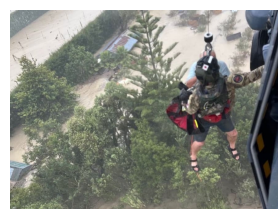
My cousins live in Northland. They are in the floods but they are up on a hill. Lucky we got back to Rerewhakaaitu. It was flooding on the way back. We went to the pontoon it was 5 minutes to swim out. By DC



In New Zealand, in the points, there are floods. They are big. People are getting on tables then shelves and then they poke a hole in the roof and a helicopter comes and rescues them. On the bus I see a paddock with puddles, heaps of puddles, it was nearly a lake. By Paige

A few days ago there was a flood. Our lake was above the jetty. The lake was really high. But we didn't get the flood. At my beach there was a big slip. We were sliding down it. There were about 200 people evacuated. There were people on houses. By Tai

A bridge got swept away. A bridge was in the flood. Some people helped some people get on a boat. People needed a helicopter. People climbed onto the roof. Water came really high. People swam to higher rooves. Float planes could not land. By Charlie



Lots of rain makes a flood. The water came up and up. My Nan lives in Napier but she is safe from the flood. The people had to climb up on the roof. The people have to get a boat, if they don't have a boat then get your phone and ring the helicopter. People take people to safe places that are not flooded. A horse died on the roof. People died, and a two year old baby got washed away. Cars got stuck, there was food on the ground. Houses got broken, bridges washed away, roads broken, slips on farms. By Johannah

RAKAU

What is a cow's favourite snack?

A Mooslie bar!



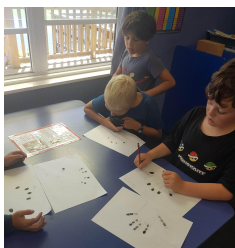
Rakau has had a fantastic week of learning this week. We have had the pleasure of sharing some of our learning time with Mahuri class. Today we looked at the different flags New Zealand has had since 1834 and had a go at creating our own flags if we were a country. We spent the afternoon in the pool practicing our swimming focusing on freestyle and floating. This week's picture is of us being star fish with Mahuri class.

Have a fantastic, safe and happy weekend.

MĀHURI

In Mahuri we have been looking at our own uniqueness and

discovering that everyone has different fingerprints that we are born with and do not change. We made our own fingerprints and then looked closely to see if they were a whorl, an arch or a loop.





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Waiotapu Scout Group

What do the likes of Bear Grylls, Barack Obama, Taylor Swift, Richard Branson, Harrison Ford, Paul McCartney, Hillary Clinton, Michael Jordan, Bill Gates and Muhammad Ali, along with 11 of the 12 astronauts to have ever walked on the

moon have in common? They were all Scouts!

The Waiotapu Scout Group runs an action-packed program of outdoor adventures and skills for boys and girls in the Reporoa, Broadlands, Waikite Valley, Waimangu, Ngakuru and Rerewhakaaitu Districts. While our fantastic den and central base is located on Corbett Road near the Waikite Valley hot pools we are often out-and-about making the most of our surrounding lakes, farms and forests.

If mountain bike rides, campfire cooking, constructing rafts, firearm safety, abseiling or knife-making sounds like the sort of activities your child would enjoy then check out our 'Waiotapu Scout Group' Facebook page to see the other sorts of adventures we get up to.

Our Scout Section caters for those youth 10-14 years of age and runs on Monday nights from 6.30-8pm throughout the entire school year. Our younger Cub Section is currently on hold. Enquiries welcome.

For more info contact: Kyle Brennan -Scout Section Leader 0279040133

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TE RĀ O NGĀ TAMARIKI CHILDREN'S DAY

Join us in celebrating a day dedicated to our tamariki with free whānau-centered activities and performances.

WHEN:
Saturday 4 March, 10am - 1pm
(this event is weather dependent)

WHERE:
Rotorua Lakefront

FREE ACTIVITIES:
Bouncy castle, art and crafts, toddler play, rangatahi games - something for all ages!

For more information:
Visit rotoruanui.nz/event/childrens-day-rotorua

Thanks to our community partners and local businesses for helping to bring this event together.