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Preparing students of today for the possibilities of tomorrow

31st July 2020

Week 2

Principal's message

The children have settled back into the routine of school and things are humming along nicely. We have been having auditions this week for the parts in the production and from what I have seen so far there is some strong competition for these parts. In any school there are times when you have concerns about what is happening or are not sure about what is going on. If this happens to you, please come down to see me so we can get things back on track straight away. The morning Breakfast Club has started this week and we have Weet-Bix, honey or raw sugar, and stewed fruit, YUMMY!!

Community Consultation

Thank you to all those that have contributed to our consultation process in reviewing our Charter. This input is critical to the school in why, how and what we do at Lake Rerewhakaaitu School. Please make sure you have your say in these consultation opportunities so we can deliver an education to your children that represents our community. Our next piece of the charter to have your say on is: **Maori Dimensions and Cultural Diversity and Inclusive Education**. Please read below the section from our current Charter and let me know any thoughts, ideas or concerns.

Māori Dimensions and Cultural Diversity

New Zealand's cultural diversity

Children, from every culture, deserve the best education possible.

We will reflect NZ's increasingly multicultural society through providing students with a range of opportunities to celebrate their own cultural identity and the diversity of other cultures.

The unique position of the Maori culture

We understand, value and appreciate the values of the Treaty of Waitangi. We aim to uphold the principles of the Treaty, partnership, participation and protection. Some of the ways we achieve these are through Te Reo and tikanga being integrated in classrooms and through cultural experiences such as: hangi, Marae visits, attendance at the Cluster Kapahaka Festival, to ensure that all children have the opportunity to experience Maori culture, protocol and language both in and out of the class. We aim for te reo Maori to be taught more formally as a language from years 0 to 8.

Inclusive Education

At Lake Rerewhakaaitu School, children with special needs are; participating and engaged in class and out of class with their peers at all times, are learning and achieving success, being challenged, learning within the curriculum and enjoying the things they are interested in.

We have high expectations of all learners. We are innovative and flexible and have processes to identify and support the needs and aspirations of all learners.

Reminders

Book Fair

We will be having a Book Fair on the week of 24-28th August (week 6). This will be in the library and open to all community members. Keep an eye out for further details as the time gets closer.

Calf and Pet Day

Calf and Pet day will be held on Saturday the 17th October. The day will consist of: Calf Judging, Lamb and Goat Judging, Pet Judging. The classrooms will be open with the children's displays that will be judged the night before. There will be an auction to sell the childrens cakes and other specialty items, raffles and the children will have games organised. There will also be a food stalls with sausages, cake and baking, burgers and chips as well as tea and coffee. It will be great to see the whole community down there for a fun filled day.

Notices will go home shortly for all those that will be having calves, lambs/goats or pets. If you are wanting to have a lamb we have organised with Onuku Maori Trust to kindly have a "Loan a Lamb" scheme. You will be able to "loan a lamb" for the next few months, train and care for it, and return it when Calf and Pet Day is over.

Lucky Book Club

Closing date for orders is the 12th September 2020.

Don't forget to book your team for Quiz night 2nd September!!!!

A warm welcome to to our new staff and students in Term Two

New Positions

Sarah Scott: Teacher Aide

Lina Lörtscher: Office Assistant

Students

Kourtney and Annabel Austin

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

Fri, 31st July	Waimangu Valley Trip
Wed, Aug 5th	CBOP Amazing Race
Wed, Aug 12th	Science Roadshow
Mon, 24th Aug	Scholastic Book Fair
Wed, 26th Aug	Community Consultation night
Fri, 11th Sept	Scholastic Book Club orders closing
Wed, 16th Sept (TBC)	Reporoa Valley Cluster Winter Sports
Tue, 22 Sept	Peter Pan Production
Sat, 17th Oct	Calf and Pet Day

