

TOGETHER



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Week 8

Principals Report

Another week has flown by and we are into our end of year mode. Getting ready for prize giving, choir in full swing for christmas songs, stock taking and generally having a good time.

Cluster News

The teachers attended a cluster PD session at Reporoa College on Thursday afternoon. These get-togethers are for all of our teachers to share ideas and network with others to find exciting ways to engage our children. Thanks to Reporoa College staff for allowing us into your space and for providing us with some exciting take-aways to try at Lake Rerewhakaaitu School.

Pool Keys

The pool will be open for swimming from the 17th Dec, after school finishes. The lock on the pool gate has been changed because we had no idea who had keys and who was using the pool.

If you are wanting a pool key for this season please contact me. The keys will be \$60.00 each which includes a \$20.00 bond refunded upon return at the end of the season. This helps to offset the cost of chemicals etc over the holiday period. Keys will be available for pick up on the 14th -15th Dec. The key is for your use only and not to be loaned out.

Start date next year

We will be starting next year on **Tuesday 9th February 2021**. The official starting dates can be any day between the 1st to the 9th of Feb 2021. The reason we are starting on the 9th start is to allow for the renovations disruptions. The later start will be less disruptive as we will still be in the hall and library.

Pink Shirt Day



We held our Pink Shirt day last Friday to increase awareness around bullying. The students and teachers all joined in the fun for a very serious cause. With the end of the year approaching it is a timely reminder to be nice to each other and show tolerance and patience. The children are getting tired and are ready for a break. So we all need to remind ourselves about our behaviours towards each other.



Building update

The gib is now going up and things are progressing nicely. Still a long way to go but we are getting there!



Correction

Apologies to Fletcher Armer who last week was reported as coming 3rd in the High Jump at Cluster sports. Fletcher in fact came 1st. Well done Fletcher

Reminder about our BBQ Raffle

The **Weber 3100 BBQ Raffle** ticket sales are going well with some families already having sold their 10 tickets. The proceeds from the raffle will be put toward the resurfacing of the courts. We have been extremely lucky to have been given the Weber BBQ to raffle off. Valued at nearly \$1000.

We have asked each family to sell 10 tickets at \$5.00 each. Tickets will also be available at school.

A huge thank you to **Barry and Christine Mogg** for donating this BBQ to the school to use as a fundraiser. Come down to school to see the BBQ set up in the office, This is a great prize!!

Dates To Remember

Tue, 8th Dec	BOT Meeting 7.00pm
Mon, 14th Dec	Prizegiving 5.45pm
Tues, 15th Dec	Last day of school
Wed-Thu, 16-17 Dec	Teacher only days
Tue, 9 Feb 2021	First day of Term 1 2021



Juicies are for sale every Wednesday at the PTA shack for \$2. This is a fundraiser for the Year 8 Leaving Jerseys.

Meanwhile at this week's assembly, our super star awards go to... drum roll please ...



Blair Holmes- for persevering with his learning.

Te Kaia Poumako and Natasha Kena- for fantastic attendance this Term.

Chase Roberts - being a respectful listener

Olivia Holmes - showing a positive attitude to her school experiences

Holly Rogers - doing some great writing with lots of details

Fletcher Armer - for showing respect and being a great helper

Connor McMillan- for showing a positive attitude towards his learning

End of Year School Reports

The teachers have finished the ends of year reports for all of the children. These are now being printed and checked ready to go home with the children next Friday the 11th Dec. So keep an eye out for these in the childrens bags :)

Standing the test of time

There are some things in this world that have been built by humans that will last for thousands of years:

Stonehenge



The Pyramids

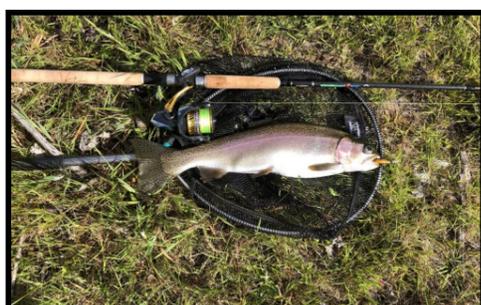


Room 4 Stairs



PTA Fishing Contest in the planning

The PTA are planning to hold a fishing and eeling competition over the school holidays. The fishing contest will be held at Lake Rerewhakaaitu between Friday 15th - Saturday 16th January. Fishing will start at 12:00pm Friday and continue until 3 pm Saturday. Final weigh-in by 4 pm Saturday. The exact rules are being hashed out at the moment and will be published soon. The major prize will be



awarded to the angler that comes closest to the average weight of all the fish caught in each section (adult/child trout and adult/child eel). Prizes will also go to the heaviest, longest, smallest (legal size fish/eel) as well as spot prizes on the day. There will be an adults section and a children's section. There will be a prize giving/dinner with steak sandwiches, chips, sausages etc etc held at the school on the Saturday evening. **Watch this space!!**

Weet-bix Kids

TRYathlon

Last weekend there were a few of our students who participated in the Weet-bix kids TRYathlon. Well done to Jonty and Fletcher Armer and Esther and Rebecca Sterkenburg. Great effort!!



Road Safety Filming Monday

On Monday we will have the Wood is Good crew here to film an advert for road safety. The Land Transport Safety Committee is also involved.

The video will be 3 - 4 minutes long and details a loaded logging trucks journey from a skid site through town and past a school ending up at a saw mill. NZ actor/comedian Pio will be the guest and our local mayor. Our school has been chosen to be in the video and a small number of students will be included in the scenes. Filming will take a couple of days.

So can we please not park in front of the school office when dropping the children off on **Monday morning** as we will need this space for filming. Children can be dropped off further down the field and come in through the big gates.

Have a great weekend

Take Care
Rick :)



Horse Riding Lessons

After school at Sunset Farm on Republican rd.
\$20 one child or \$30 for two
Horse treks 1hr \$40 2hrs \$70

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