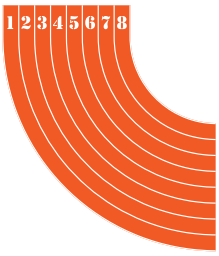



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# RICK'S Ramble

Term 4 2026
Week 3

What a wonderful week. The birds are birding, the grass is grassing and everything is turning up roses. Our athletics practice sessions are coming along nicely with the children learning about the techniques of: throw, push, jump, twist and explosive energy. Passion projects are coming along with our focus on musical instruments, rhythm and beat. Megan and the group of avid gardeners are doing a fantastic job in the vege garden. This is a great community project that will eventually feed the masses.




Our Athletics event is coming up on Thursday, 19th November, and we are looking for parent helpers to assist with running activities. To enable us to get through all of the events, Athletics will be staged across three days (17th–19th November). If you are able to assist please let me know by Friday, 13th November. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Dates;

- 17th Nov, 01.15pm: Junior High Jump
- 18th Nov, 01.15pm: Senior High Jump
- 18th Nov, 11.30am: 200 and 400 m race
- 19th Nov, Starting at 9.30am: All other athletic events

To the Lake Rerewhakaaitu School Community,

After much consideration and reflection, I have tendered my resignation as Principal of Lake Rerewhakaaitu School, effective at the end of this school year. Serving as the principal of our wonderful school has been an incredible privilege and a truly fulfilling journey. Working alongside our dedicated staff, supportive Board and PTA, engaging students, and welcoming community has made my time here deeply rewarding. Together, we have built strong learning foundations, navigated exciting curriculum developments, and celebrated countless memorable achievements. While it is difficult to say goodbye to a school community that means so much to me, I am confident that Lake Rerewhakaaitu School is in a fantastic position for the future. Our teaching and support team remains as committed as ever to providing the very best environment for our tamariki to grow, thrive, and succeed. The Board will begin the process of recruiting a new principal in due course and will keep you updated on the transition plan. In the meantime, my focus remains fully on supporting our students and staff through the remainder of the term and ensuring a smooth, positive transition. Thank you all for your warmth, partnership, and steadfast support during my time here. I look forward to connecting with many of you over the coming weeks as we finish the year on a high note.

Have a great weekend, take care.



🏆 Huge congratulations to two of our young athletes, Finn and Louis, who recently competed in the Whaka Kids races as part of the Whaka100 event.
Out of 236 participants in the Whaka Kids 5km, Finn placed 1st and Louis took 3rd place! Finn didn't stop there- he also tackled the "That's It." Whaka 10km race, placing 3rd out of 215 competitors. Fantastic results, boys—keep up the amazing work! 🏃‍♂️💨




Our Community Emergency Support Team is putting together a register of people who may need a little extra help during a flood, storm, earthquake or extended power outage (Or any natural disaster). This might include:

- Elderly people living alone
- People with limited mobility
- Those without reliable transport
- Anyone needing a generator for medical equipment during power outages
- Anyone who may need checking on or extra assistance
- Young families without support or partners/ family working away
- Limited cell phone or internet

If this sounds like you, or you have a family member who may need extra support, please complete the form below.

📋 **Community Emergency Support Register:**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScfiD1tg53E7HqtI-TLDYI9vuVTxfyapqMvpKv0iAzQeQhBUg/viewform

The register covers Rerewhakaaitu, Waimangu, Rainbow Mountain, Tumunui and Waiotapu.

Information will be kept confidential (Saved to the Project Rerewhakaaitu Drive that only Sammie & Rob Allen, Megan Schutt, John Young and Jacinda Poland have access to) and used only by authorised members of our emergency response team in AN EMERGENCY SITUATION.

Please ensure you have permission if completing the form for someone else.




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## Office Hours

| | |
|---|---|
| Monday: | 9.00am - 3.00pm |
| Tuesday: | 9.00am - 3.00pm |
| Thursday: | 9.00am -12.30pm |
| Friday: | 9.00am - 3.00pm |

## Important dates

### November

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|---|---|
| 17- 19 | LRS Athletics |
| Mon 23 | Calendar Art orders close |
| Wed 25 | Cluster Athletics |

### December

| | |
|---|---|
| Wed 2 | Board Meeting 7pm |
| Fri 11 | Swimming Sports |
| Tue 15 | Celebration of Learning |
| Wed 16 | Last day for students |
| 17 & 18 | Teacher only days (TOD) |

**Parent help required**
LRS & Cluster Athletics

**Ikura**
Manaakitia te whare tangata
Period Products in Schools

A reminder that we have a variety of free Period products available for ākonga to use at school and at home. Students can take as many as they need for their full cycle and ongoing cycles. These are in the sickbay. staff toilet or contact Carla in the office. For more information check out healthnavigator.org.nz and search "Menstruation"

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

# CLASS Snippets

## KĀKANO

Kia ora, koutou,

We have been brave enough to try learning a musical instrument! Last Friday in Kākano we learnt how to play some notes on a recorder. It was very tricky remembering to hold the recorder in our left hand and cover the holes properly so that our notes came out smooth instead of shrill and squeaky. We learnt three notes and practiced them to a jam track from our youtube lesson. It won't be long before we can play a song.

Kia pai tō rā,
Kākano Class

## TUPU

As we work towards our upcoming athletics event, we are focusing on what it means to be our best selves. This includes having a go, showing resilience when things feel challenging, and encouraging others along the way. We are learning that success isn't just about winning, but about giving things a go, learning from our mistakes and being proud of our efforts. The children are also stepping outside their comfort zones as they explore learning a musical instrument, developing patience, perseverance and confidence as they practise new skills. It's wonderful to see our tamariki discovering what they are capable of when they keep trying, support one another and approach new experiences with a positive attitude.

Ngā mihi,
Whaea Kylie

## MAHURI

*Be brave enough to try!*
*As a class we have been working on SMART goals to help us achieve in athletics. SMART goals are **S**pecific, **M**easurable, **A**ttainable, **R**elevant, **T**imely. We are learning the importance of making our goals specific so we know exactly what we are working towards. For example, if our goal is to jump further in long jump, we can break the skill down into four key areas: the run-up, the take-off, the flight and the landing. By focusing on one area at a time, we can make our goals more achievable and identify the small steps that will help us improve. This approach encourages us to keep practising, persevere through challenges and celebrate our progress along the way.*

*I was brave when practicing shot put because I tried my best - Elsie*

*At high jump when people told me I couldn't make it, I thought in my head "can I do this?" I started questioning myself, but when it was my turn, I just did it - Rocco*

*I was brave enough to try to jump 1m in the high jump. It made me feel good to give it a try. I was proud of myself - Flynn*

*We hadn't done discus in a while and I was a bit nervous but I just stood up when it was my turn and gave it a go - Lucy*

*I was brave enough to try to jump further than 2m in long jump. My SMART goal was to work on my speed and it helped when I was practising - Cayden*

## RĀKAU

Rakau News, by Brian

In Rakau we have been learning about finishing the story writing, Would you rather, PEEL system and writing from our imagination and we have also been doing activity problem solving maths on our devices. We have also been doing an invent your own species drawing in our art books. We have also been doing finish the story writing in our literacy books. We have been doing our own story making with at least one or a pack of wolves in it also explaining their emotions in the story, speech marks if they are talking and a main character for the story. We have been making our own stories with emojis inside of it called emoji mayhem with different emotions or types of emojis which if you write then put an emoji in on explaining the sentence.




We have a number of payments due for elected events; Rats Duathlon, Tough Guy & Gal, Mini Marathon, Orienteering & CAMs
Please check whether you have paid, and if not please do so as soon as possible to:
Lake Rerewhakaaitu School 06 0413 0239124 00
Reference: Child's name Code: Event
If payments are not received this will affect future opportunities for these events.








# Attendance

Attendance - Our 2025 Target is: To improve attendance and engagement to 75% of students attending 90% or higher.

We are currently sitting at 48% of students at 90% attendance or above. Last weeks results:

Rakau 76% attendance
Mahuri 87% attendance
Tupu 75% attendance
Kakano 87% attendance

And the Winner is... **KAKANO & MAHURI!**

## Caught being Awesome

"Caught Being Awesome" awards are given out to students of Lake Rerewhakaaitu School at playtime. Students can earn them by following our school values, being a good friend and following the school rules. These awards then go into either the senior or junior bucket, then at Fridays assemblies all get read out and one from each drawn out as our super star recipient.

Our Caught Being Awesome recipients are...



Evelyn & Alistair

"Tidy Kiwi" award goes to the class who consistently keeps the corridor and deck tidy over the day and week. Ensuring our school is kept beautiful, while being safe in emergency situations.



TIDY KIWI AWARD

## SPREAD Kindness

## HOUSE POINTS

Tarawera Kakaramea

Each week we give out a house cup to the house that's in the lead. Students can earn house points by following our school rules, values, being on task and even when they get caught being awesome.

House Captains are;
Tarawera - Te Ngahere & Flynn
Kakaramea - Taituha & Nikau

Congratulations to our house winner from our latest assembly...




## PTA CORNER

## Calendar Art



Our PTA Calendar Art fundraiser is taking a slightly different approach this year! Order forms went home last week, ORDERS CLOSE Monday, 23rd November. These creations can be made into customised diaries, greeting cards, and calendars -perfect for Christmas gifts, birthdays, or a special keepsake.




Lexi Brierley is a RGHS student who is also a roller derby player (her derby name is Plot Twist). Lexi has been selected for the Junior Team NZ Roller Derby team and will be travelling to Glasgow next year to play at the Junior Roller Derby World Cup. She is the only player to be selected from the entire BOP/Waikato region.

To help her get there they are holding a Lego show at Glenholme School on December 5th where they will be displaying some of their personal Lego collection and have other Rotorua collectors joining too. It should be a fun day for adults and children alike!

## CONGRATULATIONS



LAST WEEKS CLASS CERTIFICATES WENT TO:

Lachlan for using skip counting and repeated addition to solve multiplication problems. Kayden-Chase for learning how to solve addition and subtraction problems using equipment and pictures. Everlyn-Mae for your hard work in numeracy. Lane Nau mai, haere mai. We're so glad to have you with us and we look forward to learning and growing together through term four and beyond. Flynn for his positive attitude towards all areas of his learning, which is reflected in his assessments results. Cayden for his positive attitude and willingness to do extra assessments to support his kaiako in her learning.

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