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#### 25th September 2024 **Principal Report**

Week 10

Another term draws to an end. This has been a fantastic term and there have been plenty of events, activities and learning to keep us busy: Calendar Art, Speeches, Kapa Haka/Cultural Festival, Book fair, Puberty talks, Cluster Winter Sports, Tough Guy and Gal, Parent interviews, Curriculum evening, Working Bee, Firewise, NZ Symphony Orchestra, and our topic study of 'Its OK to make mistakes'. Thank you to everyone for your support and efforts throughout the term; those who offer their time, equipment and expertise in making our little rural school shine, parent helpers who help us with events and activities, our PTA for organising fundraising events, and last but not least our staff and board for working as a team for the betterment of our school and akonga. Great communities help us all grow. 🔝

Massive thanks to the Reporca VetPlus team for giving their time and services free of charge. On Monday they came to vaccinate, castrate and ring tails for our Pet Day lambs. How lucky are we to have such amazing local support!! Thanks VetPlus!

#### **Cluster Speeches**



Our four finalists attended the speech competition in Waikite on Wednesday. All the children did exceptionally well and we are very proud of their performances.

•	Yr 5	Paige Jepsen	4th
•	Yr 6	Caitlin McMillan	4th

- Yr 7 Chase Roberts 3rd
- Callum Koekemoer Yr 8
- 2nd



While Mr Whalley was the Cluster away at Speeches on Tuesday, we had a fabulous fill in.. Thanks Dobby for listening to Louie's eventful four page story!!

We always love our visits :)

#### Staying Safe Online

As our tamariki spend more time online, it's important parents and whānau help them stay safe. Now is a great time to talk to them about how we use the internet and digital technology.



Netsafe has created an Online

Safety Parent Toolkit so parents, families and whānau have all the information they need to talk about online safety.

If you or anyone in your whānau needs support, you can contact Netsafe on the link below. https://netsafe.org.nz/parenttoolkit/

#### Pet day - Saturday 19th October

Remember to register all entrants for Pet Day; there's a section for everyone: preschooler, adults and children, and household pets. New Adults section for Pet Day! Come and join us and have some fun! All the same rules will apply, calves must have a readable NAIT tag and TB card. For more information see the Rearing booklets link below. Must be your own calf/lamb, not your child's pet. \$5.00 for Adults entry. A mystery judge will pick the winner from all entrants. Email the office to register.

Pet Day will be held on Saturday 19th October and Group Day on Friday 25th October - Ngakuru School hosting. Lambs and Calves animals need to be born between 20<sup>th</sup> July and 25th September. There'll be a market to sell our creations from our Friday Passion Projects 🐸 Please check out the Rearing booklets via https://www.lakerere.school.nz/publications

Dates to Ren	nember Parent help required	
Thu 26 Sep	Cluster Winter Sports	
Fri 27 Sep	Term 3 Ends	
Mon 14 Oct	Term 4 Starts	
Wed 16 Oct	PTA Meeting 7pm	
Sat 19 Oct	Pet Day	
Wed 23 Oct	Board Meeting 7pm	
Thu 24 Oct	Lakes DHB Fluoride programme	
Fri 25 Oct	Kahui Ako Teacher Only Day, Group Day @ Ngakuru	
Mon 28 Oct	Labour Day	
5-8 Nov	Senior Camp	
Tue 19 Nov	Athletics Day	
Thu 21 Nov	Cluster Maths Comp	
Wed 27 Nov	PTA Meeting 7pm	
Thu 28 Nov	Cluster Athletics	
2-6 Dec	Swim programme	
Wed 4 Dec	Board Meeting 7pm	
Thu 19 Dec	Celebration of Learning 11am	
Fri 20 Dec	Term 4 Ends	

#### Please put your hands together 🍖 🏀 🍋 Last week's certificates went to:





Johnny Schutt – learning and using his letter sounds. Eleanor Dyson – making great progress in reading and writing. Liam Henderson – for fantastic reading. Hemi Dawson – having a great attitude towards learning! Stella Scott – great perseverance in your mahi this week!

The Principal Certificate went to...

> Lincoln Sharp – for huge effort in learning

Ka mav te wehi!

#### **House Points**

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.

Our house leaders are:

<u>Tarawera</u> Bryce & Chase <u>Kakaramea</u> Callum & Morgan

Congratulations to our house winner



#### 🐸 Caught Being Awesome of the week 🐸

"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.

Last week our Caught Being Awesome recipients were...

Junior- Te Ngahere Redmond

Senior- Paige Jepsen



# TUPU

Wow Term 3 has flown by! We have learnt and enjoyed so many new things together this term.



Fact of the week: All planets spin counterclockwise except for Venus.



In maths we continued our focus on number knowledge and strategies, as well as learning about fractions.

The children all wrote and presented their own speeches this term. Speeches were a big task and the children spent a lot of hours working on them.



We also investigated persuasive writing; mainly trying to persuade Mrs Trumper to do fun activities like snack day, sports games, and dress up day. Alongside the persuasive writing we also continued our work on

how to structure our writing, spelling and punctuation. We have read a wide variety of class and independent books and created some amazing animals as part of our phonics work.

We had a visit from Fireman Dan and learnt all about being firewise and of course all the fun passion projects we do on Fridays.



Have a great holiday with your family. Jasmine

## MAHURI



This week in Mahuri we have been practising exercising our brains. We have been doing puzzles, optical illusions and following instructions.

We made some folded origami chatterboxes with brain facts inside. Some people had no idea where to start, we watched a demonstration then we tried to do it ourselves following the instructions. Some

people remembered that they had done it before, some people followed others, some people helped others, some people got frustrated, some people got a bit sad. Then everybody helped each other and we all had success. Now we will practise until the neurons in our brains join together and make strong neural connections.

That is how we learn.







We are still enjoying reading the George the Farmer books we won from Rabobank, and we have been practising 'Circle time' with Annie. We talk about things that annoy us and how we can deal with these. We talk about our feelings and how to deal with being angry.

We read a story called 'The Red Beast' about being angry. Being angry is a normal feeling but we must not hurt any person or any property. Annie teaches us some calm down strategies like finding a quiet space, talking to someone, using deep breathing techniques and how animals and nature can calm us down. We play games and give people compliments. We have been enjoying Annie's visits.

RAKAU

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa, Rakau has had an amazing term 3 filled with fun and learning.

Our year 5-8s are getting super excited about camp coming up in term 4!

Here are some highlights from our learning this term.

Have a safe and happy holiday filled with adventure!

> Ngā mihi, Miss Gow, Rakau Class







Kia Ora Koutou



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