

Newsletter - 22 September 2017

Kia Ora Whānau

It was wonderful to see so many people supporting the students of Rongotea School on Wednesday night at our wearable arts show. It was great to hear that our students and our amazing MC, James, really enjoyed themselves. If you have any photos and are wanting to share with the school then please email me.

Last week we had our year 5-8 speech competition. The speeches were amazing and wonderfully delivered. It was hard for our judges to pick overall winners, as there were so many quality speeches. We must congratulate everyone for giving it ago, as standing up in front of an audience isn't easy. Our winners who are going through to the Te Kawau Cluster speech competition are Shauna Goodman for years 5-6 and Cory Pinfold-Whanga for years 7-8.

Next week will see the end of our uniform consultation. This hasn't been about a vote, it's about an expression of interest. There has been many discussions around the uniform, which is fantastic. I do have to say that the main focus for looking at a new uniform, is that we want a uniform that looks sharp, doesn't fade, is comfortable to wear and doesn't restrict our students when they participate in their daily activities.

We are quickly heading to the end of the term, next week is our last week of term 3!!! We will have assembly next Friday and a reminder that we now start our assemblies at 2.30pm. If you haven't got our school app or aren't on our facebook page then I suggest you do, as it's an easy way to keep up to date with what's happening at school.

Don't forget to turn your clocks forward an hour on Sunday morning as we are in Spring, so spring forward.

Your Principal Troy Anderson

Welcome to ...(Room 7)

As you all know we have all been working hard on our wearable arts creations. Room 7 did a moment in time writing piece where they had to include what they heard, saw, felt and wondered while they were on the cat walk. Here are some examples.

Last night 20th of September was wearable arts night. I went on the stage first for creative dance. I heard people whispering and cameras flashing. Then we went back. The second time I went on stage was for the catwalk. I heard parents cheering, babies crying and our groups music, Glorious was our song! I saw a whole ocean

full of people staring at our groups costume and masks. I felt like I had huge butterflies and I was terrified!! I wondered what pose I was going to do in the middle of the stage. It ended about 7:30 and we all had fun.

By Maddelyn McC

NOTICES

 $\ensuremath{\text{\textbf{TE}}}\xspace\ensuremath{\text{\textbf{KAWAU TENNIS CLUB}}\xspace$ - See back page or notice board for more information

 ${\bf HATS}\,$ - Please remember that as of term 4 we will be requiring children to wear their school hats. These can be purchased from the office.

BADMINTON - School holiday programme - see notice board for more information or office if requiring a registration form.

CASH FOR COMMUNITIES - PGG Wrightson and Balance will donate \$1 for every tonne of qualifying fertiliser purchased by farmers who have registered and nominated Rongotea School at www.cashforcommunities.co.nz

LIC—Calf Club - For help and information check out LIC'S website www.calfclub.co.nz which provides a simple guide on how to rear and train a calf.

CERTIFICATES

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES

Baylee R - you are making great progress in all areas of school life, keep up the awesome attitude. Well done!!!!

Midnite O - I was absolutely blown away by your amazing creative shape pictures you created this week. You have a special talent. Keep it up !!!



CLASS CERTIFICATES

Elisha M - for managing her time well and completing her tasks on time.

Zac S – for giving 100 percent in writing and presenting his speech.

Liam C - for making a great start at Rongotea School.

Zoe P - for an excellent effort with her speech.

Riley L – trying hard to improve his reading skills.

Declan H – trying hard to improve his writing.

Maddy H - for amazing writing.

Midnite O - for staying on task and always doing her work.

Lachie D - for being creative in his work.

Angel F - always working quietly and getting on with her work.

Te Kawau Under 6 Junior Rugby



Most Valuable Player

Matilda Russell



Most Consistent Player

Sophie Glovn



Wellington Short Course Swimming Champs by Rebecca M

On the 2nd and 3rd, and the 9th and 10th September I went to the Wellington Short Course Swimming Champs. I raced in 9 races on both weekends and I got 5 medals.

My first medal was a silver. I got silver for the 100m breaststroke race. I also got silver for the 50m backstroke race and for the 100m backstroke race. My best medal of all was the gold medal. I got the gold for the 100m butterfly. My lucky last medal was the bronze which I got for the 100m free.

After all my races everyone was so so proud of me.

DATES

TROPHIES—Could we have trophies returned to school by the end of the term please.

TE KAWAU TENNIS CLUB

Saturday Morning Tennis Ages 9-16 (no previous coaching required)

Players can be younger if they are able to serve and rally

Please register before October 6th

2017

Term 1 dates Wed 1 Feb-Thurs 13 April

Term 2 dates Mon 1 May- Fri 7 July

Term 3 dates Mon 24 July-Fri 29 Sept

Term 4 dates Mon 16 Oct-Mon 18 Dec

Term 3

Thu 28/9 TK Speech Competition

Fri 29/9 Rm 2 & 7 sharing their learning @ assembly

Last day of term 3

Mon 16/10 Term 4 starts

Mon 23/10 Labour Day

Wed 1/11 Ag Day