

Newsletter - 16 March 2018

Kia Ora Whanau

This week has been one out the box. We have had many staff and students away sick, we have had many days where at least one class has been away and we have also been busy trying to teach our 'localised curriculum'.

Te Kawau swimming sports was on Monday and it was a great event with many of our students participating, they all did extremely well. A special well done to Rebecca Mortensen who didn't just break one record, she broke four Te Kawau swimming records. As we are all aware there was a mistake made with the time, we have reflected on our process and have implement some ideas that we hope will make sure this doesn't happen again. So on behalf of the school I apologise for our mistake as we set high expectations for ourselves.

Music lessons are going well, it's great to see children learning the guitar, ukulele and the drums. We would also like to offer keyboard and music theory. If interested please let me know.

We are looking at entering a year 5&6 and also a year 7&8 basketball team that would play in the town competition. To enter a school team it will cost \$50 per child, this is to be paid by the parents. For year 5&6 their games will be on Thursday nights between 3.45pm-5pm and for the year 7&8 the games will be on a Wednesday night between 4.30pm-6.30pm. Please let me know if your child is able to participate in this team event and that you can also get your children into town for the games. We need a least 8 children.

Our days are getting colder and with that means children are wanting to wear warmer uniform. The only trousers that your child can wear are our school trackpants. We have more arriving in two weeks. The rest of the uniform is not compulsory till 2019. If your child needs to wear thermals then they need to be navy.

Lastly, next week is our parent teacher conferences for our year 4-8 children. Please make sure you are here on time and that you have booked in a time with your child's classroom teacher. If you know nothing about this please book a time with your child's teacher.

Your Principal
Troy Anderson

Welcome to Team Kiwi

Over the last two weeks, Team Kiwi have been out and about preparing for the Rongotea swimming sports and the Inter School Triathlon event at Skoglund Park. Every day we have been practising our swimming in our school pool and recording our fastest lap times.

This week Team Kiwi started our Rongotea School 'Kids n Us' programme. Archery was our first activity at the Tiritea Rod and Rifle range. The kids had a great time learning about how to use a bow and arrow safely and firing at a target accurately. The kids had a competition to see who scored the highest points. Our winner was Riki-Lee Kauri with 78 points. We would like to thank the Rongotea Lions Club for organising this amazing experience and we look forward to our next activity blow karting at Sanson.



The 2018 Inter-School Triathlon.

The year 7 and 8 kids started at 11 o'clock and had to run 1.5 kilometers. It was really tiring and the competition was fierce. First we had to run 2 laps of the 4 soccer fields then go to the transition zone and get onto our bikes. It was really weird in the transition zone because there's so many bikes and they were all in one line, so you had to run along the lines to see which one was yours. Once we completed our grueling run we then headed through the transition zone to the flags, mount our bikes and start our four kilometer bike ride. Most of us found it hard riding into the wind. Finally, after completing four laps, we started our 150 meter swim.



Overall, we didn't get 1st 2nd or 3rd but we did wave the Rongotea School flag and gave everyone a good challenge.



Jonathon Hillas

Notices

Scholastic Book Orders—these book orders need to be returned back to school no later than Friday 30th March.

PTA Quiz night 6th April. Remember to get your team names into the school office or to Heather Toland. More information at a later date.

Mt Biggs School & Community Car Boot & Garage Sale—Sunday 18th March, 11am-2pm (if wet postponed to Sunday 25th March). 707 Sandon Road, Feilding. \$5.00 to book a site or come along for a look. Contact Louise on 021 0627952 or see the school notice board for more information.

CERTIFICATES



PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES

Ryan D - I was just amazed at how you gave everything a go at swimming sports. You were resilient, you were brave and overall you were a role model. Well done Ryan, you were awesome!!!

Ella M - I was super impressed with your phonological awareness results. You are cracking the code. Well done Ella !!!!!

CLASS CERTIFICATES

Tayla Mc - Self management- Completing tasks on time and presenting her work to an excellent standard.

Gabriella H- Making progress in your maths especially when faced with challenging problems.

Adrian D - you are working so hard in class, you are pushing yourself to achieve excellence and this has been reflected in your recent PAT tests. Keep up the great work and attitude.

Lachlan N - you are working super hard, your latest results tell us that you can do it. Keep working hard and you will keep achieving great results. Well done you.

Kate D - for being organised and highly focused in class.

Declan H - for trying hard in swimming.

Tarzhae W - positive attitude towards learning.

Adam G - for being very focussed with his learning.

Nicole D- for showing resilience and writing more by yourself

Sean R - for showing greater focus to get more work finished in time

Ella B - for showing resilience and trying hard to complete her work.

Max H - for writing 14 words for his first word power.

Te Kawan Junior Rugby Registrations

Please register your children by this Saturday if they wish to play rugby this season.

You can register online at:

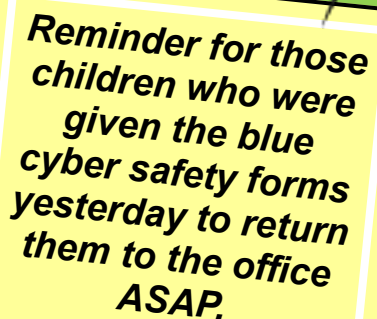
<http://www.sporty.co.nz/tekawaurfcjnr/Registration-1/Junior-Registration-2018>

Registration is essential if your child wants to play rugby this year.

We welcome anyone aged between 4 and 12 to register . Check out our Facebook page for more details on the season ahead (www.facebook.com/tekawau.juniors)

If you have any questions around registrations, the season ahead or anything else, please leave a PM on our Facebook page or contact Hamish McCallum - 0272402415 orhamish.mccallum@hotmail.co.nz

DATES



Reminder for those children who were given the blue cyber safety forms yesterday to return them to the office ASAP.

2018

Term 1 dates Wed 31 Jan—Thurs 13 April

Term 2 dates Mon 30 April— Fri 6 July

Term 3 dates Mon 23 July—Fri 28 Sept

Term 4 dates Mon 15 Oct—Fri 14 Dec

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Fri 23/3 **TK triathlon @ Sanson**

NO ASSEMBLY

Thurs 29/3 **Junior tabloids**

Fri 30/3 **Good Friday**

Mon 2/4 **Easter Monday**

Tues 3/4 **Easter Tuesday—NO SCHOOL**

Fri 6/4 **Assembly Team Kiwi & Team Ruru**

Fri 13/4 **Term 1 finishes**

Wed 25/4 **Anzac Day**

Mon 30/4 **Term 2 starts**

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