Rewa Rewa School United to Life Together

Newsletter 10, Week 8, Term 2

20 June 2018

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Teachers Paid Union Meeting next Wednesday 27 June -

Please return your form confirming pickup details to the Office NOW!

A note from the Principal...

Many of our students have been involved in a wide range of extracurricular activities this term, including ICAS exams, Otago Maths competition, cross country running, gardening club, IT club, hockey practices, choir & Kapa Haka rehearsals. We actively encourage our students to experience these opportunities, as they help to develop their confidence and an "I can" attitude. If you have a skill you'd like to share, such as leading a club or being a "lunchtime expert", we'd love to hear from you. In other schools I have taught in, we've had engineers, NIWA scientists, hairdressers, fisheries officers, drama teachers, dancers, builders etc. come and speak about their areas of interest. This gives our students a really good idea as to some of the future careers they could have.

Jan Otene Principal

Happening in Our School...

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RTLB Upgrade

Breaking News - a decision was made last Friday by the Board with regard to the proposed RTLB partnership with our school. This will be shared with our community this Friday, at our 6pm Matariki Celebration evening.

Zoning in Newlands

Last Thursday principals from the local primary schools (Newlands, Bellevue, Paparangi and Rewa Rewa), as well as their Board of Trustees representatives, met to discuss an MOE request that our schools implement enrolment zones in order to better manage roll growth in our area. Newlands Primary school already has a zone and Paparangi School is in the process of implementing theirs. We have collectively decided to adopt zones for each of our schools and will be working alongside the Ministry over the coming months as we introduce these. Our community will be kept informed so that our families are able to understand how this decision will affect future students coming to our school. You are very welcome to approach either the Principal or myself if you would like to know more.

Mark Williams, Chair

Northern Zone Cross Country

Congratulations to our twenty year 4-6 cross country runners. It was a typical cross country day last week at Nairnville Park – plenty of mud, rain and wind with a good swirl of mist thrown in to add more to the mix. To those parents who helped with transport and supervision, thank you so much – sorry about the mud in your cars! None of our team placed in the top 15 for their year group, but we were all winners in perseverance, resilience and how to be good sportsmen. Not one single runner gave up whilst racing and our spectators cheered loudly as each of our school's runners ran to the finish line. Very proud of you all.



Matariki Celebration – Friday 22 June, 6pm

We hope that all of our families will join us for our Matariki evening this Friday at 6.00 pm. Every child will be presenting their learning from this term, followed by a shared supper. Plates of food can be dropped off to Whero as you arrive. This night is a great time to chat, meet with other families and to reflect on what a great school community we have.

If families have battery powered camp lights or torches please bring these along, as by 6pm the quad can be VERY dark and we don't want anyone to fall in a ditch or

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trip over the bollards in the car park. Plus, last time we met Newlands had a major power cut and we ended up using the lights from our cell phones to watch the show.

Exterior Cultural Art Work

Midway through last year, as part of their inquiry work, many of our students created art work to display on the outside walls around our school. The idea was to represent the many different cultures from around the world which we have in our school. Each piece of art has now been varnished, glued to a backboard and mounted on a main exterior wall within our school. We see this as being the start of adding some vibrancy to our environment and with the school's exterior due to be repainted in 2019, this should help our school to look smart.

SchoolDocs

The policies due to be reviewed by our community this term are:

- Protected Disclosure
- Reporting to Parents
- Visitors

Please email office@rewarewa.school.nz for your easy password access so that you can add your comments.

Biennial Health Consultation

Thank you so much to the 39 people who participated in this online survey. Although this was only 32% of our school population, we now have your voice to help inform our decision-making for the next 2 years. Results from this survey will be sent out to families over the next week. All those who included their names will go into the draw for the \$50 NW voucher – come to our Matariki evening to see if you are the lucky winner!

Home & School

Disco Fever @ Rewa Rewa School – Friday 29 June, 3-5pm

Notices are coming home today about next Friday's disco. Please support this H&S event by baking or offering your assistance to either set up or clean up. The theme is Fancy Dress.

Next H&S meeting is on Tuesday 3 July, 6pm—all welcome.

Naomi Godfrey, Chair

ASC & Holiday Programme

Our weekly after school programme is becoming so popular that we have had days where there are waiting lists. We have managed to negotiate an increase to the number of places available with OSCAR and are pleased to announce that all those who were on waiting lists have now been accommodated. Term 2 holiday programme brochures were sent home last week and are also available to download from our website. Remember, you can also book half-day sessions for your child.

School Fees and Donations

Thank you to all families who have completed their payments. This income is being used to support your child in many ways, including sports events, Kapa Haka poi, new soccer balls, as well as programmes such as Life Education Trust and trips.

Thank you to all of our volunteers – patrols, PTP reading, gardening, IT, writing, trip supervision and transport. We really do appreciate your support.

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Upcoming Events...

Friday	22 June	6pm	Celebration of Learning—Matariki
Tuesday	26 June		Northern Zone Hockey Tournament
Friday	29 June		School Disco
Friday	06 July		Midyear Reports Going Home (Yr 4-6)
			End of Term 2
Tuesday	31 July		ICAS English Exam
Tuesday	14 August		ICAS Maths Exam
Monday	20 August		School Photos
Monday	24 September		Kapa Haka Festival, Newlands Cluster
Monday	22 October		Labour Day Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday	01 November t	ill Fri 09 Nov	Bee Healthy Dental Service Onsite

Term Dates 2018

Term 3 Monday 23 July—Friday 28 September

Term 4Monday 15 October—Thursday 13 December (School closes at 1pm)Monday 22 October—Labour Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Please note: After School Care is also unavailable when school is closed.



Te Māhuri is an after school group for tamariki and their whānau to practise and extend their knowledge of te reo Māori in a relaxed and fun environment, through games, waiata and other activities. Group members organise and run sessions.

When: Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm (followed by brief tidy up) during school term Place: Newlands Community Centre, 9 Batchelor St, Newlands, Wellington

BIGAIR GYMSPORTS TAWA

Cartwheels, Walkovers, Flips, Kongs, Handstands, Barrel Rolls, Handsprings - it's all here at Bigair Gym! Kids love learning a vast range of skills in **Gymnastics, Trampolining, Tumbling, Parkour and Cheerleading!** We have classes to support children of all levels and interests, and these classes are designed to increase children's strength, flexibility, balance, co-ordination and fitness. Children also learn extensive personal skills from Bigair Gym Classes, including increased self-confidence, selfreflection, listening skills, persistence, self-pride, increased self-esteem and so much more! These skills are so important for our kids to learn! Bigair Gym also offers **Birthday Parties** & an active, fun **School Holiday Programme**! To find out more, call Bigair Gym Tawa on 2323508 or email <u>office@bigairgym.co.nz</u> <u>Bigair Gyms Term 3 class bookings open 18th June</u> - Classes fill up fast, so don't miss out!