



Newsletter - 29 June 2018

Kia Ora Whanau

WOW !! It's unbelievable that we have only one week to go and term 2 will be done and dusted. It has been an extremely busy term. There has been many sporting, academic and cultural events. I am super proud of our tamariki for the way they have worked hard with their learning, for the way they have put Rongotea School on the map for their sporting abilities and for the Kapa Haka to perform and showcase what Rongotea School is all about. It's very rewarding.

Thank you for taking time out of your day to complete the Newsletter Review survey that was on our facebook page last week. The results were strongly in favour of keeping the newsletters to fortnightly. There will be a few little surveys come out over the next six months as I get a gage of your views. It offers opportunities for us to work collaboratively to create a relationship that benefits the tamariki.

I appreciate that you were able to arrange your tamariki to be picked up from school early yesterday and for those of you that couldn't, we had a fun afternoon. It was great that you enabled our teachers to get along to their Paid Union meeting. They could then have a voice about creating great work conditions so that they can have the biggest impact on your children's education. It's not just pay conditions, it's also about creating a profession that is attractive to others, as we are at a crisis point !!!! Across New Zealand there are many teaching and principal positions where there have been no applicants. New Zealand doesn't have enough teachers to cater for the number of children. Also the number of student teachers is dropping rapidly. We have an aging education system where the average age of our profession is 56 years, when these people leave they are going to create one very big hole in education.

Your Principal
Troy Anderson

Welcome to Team Ruru & Tui

RURU

Last week our school supported Child Cancer by coming to school on Wednesday wearing Wig's. Team Ruru loved supporting such an amazing cause and we did some fabulous writing on the wigs we wore and the crazy hairstyles we did that day.



You may have even spotted some of our smiley faces in the Manawatu Standard that evening.

Here are some quotes from our fabulous writing:

"It was funny to wear a wig at school" - by Sophie

"It was lots of fun to wear a wig at school we even had a class photo" - by Kaia



Make sure to pop down the hallway and check out our writing on the board outside Team Ruru - we have drawn some pretty cool pictures of ourselves wearing our wigs too!

TUI

Team Tui created this Matariki art work by drawing koru designs, (symbolising new life), on hands and arms. These were then dyed and positioned to show they were reaching up towards the stars.



Team Tui have been viewing news clippings.

We have written only what we saw and heard, NOT what we know, felt or thought.



I saw a cop pretend to fall. A dog ran up to the cop and jumped on the cop. Then he went to the neck and put his head down to listen if his heart started making a noise. *Jasmine J*

I heard that a dog is practising how to do CPR. I saw that he jumped up and down on the police officer. Then he listened to his heart beat. *By Haydon F*

Notices

Sickness—If you require medication to be given to your child throughout the day then a 'Medication Consent Form' **must** be filled out. We are unable to administer medication without this signed form. They are available at the office.

Feilding Library Holiday Programme—please check the notice board for some fun activities being held at the Feilding Library or visit www.feildinglibrary.co.nz or follow on Facebook for details.

BWC Sports Academy School Holiday Programme—Feilding Yellow's Clubrooms—Johnstone Park. Email bwcsportsacademy@gmail.com, phone: Brad 021 111 6558.

Find us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/bwcsportsacademy/>

CERTIFICATES



PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES

Caleb M—for making excellent progress in your reading, well done Caleb!

Raleigh S—for making excellent progress in your reading, well done Raleigh, very impressive!

CLASS CERTIFICATES

Olivia R - For creating writing that includes descriptive language.

Bella D - Showing persistence and attention to detail in your artwork.

Hiraani C - Great writing.

Jack N - Powering on with his Times Tables.

Isabelle M - improved reading.

Sarayah P - settling well into Rongotea School.

Harper C - amazing progress in reading.

Mercedes L - thanks for being an awesome part of Team Ruru - we will miss you .

Sam D - Being very focused with his learning.

Daisy A - Making great progress in literacy.

YOUNG ACHIEVERS by Sahara K

On Friday the 15th June Rongotea School participated in the Te Kawau Interschool Cross Country. It was held at Baines school. I was in the girls year 5-6 run. We had to do one big lap and there were heaps of big hills which made it harder than our school cross country. I came 20th and was proud to have tried my best. It was a fun day and the rain stayed away which made it better.

As a Board we have had to make a hard decision in regards to Ag Day this year. We are following the advice of the Ministry of Primary Industries and our local Oroua Boys and Girls Ag Lamb and Calf Club, and choose to NOT have any calves at this year's Ag Day, due to the risk of M. Bovis to our local farmers.

There will still be lambs and goats, and pets on display. We did not make this decision lightly and will review it going forward next year.

Elly Nagel (BOT Chairperson)

DATES

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

Term 2

Fri 6 July **Assembly Teams Kea & Ruru**

Reports to go home

Last day of term 2

Mon 23/7 **Term 3 starts**

Fri 3/7 **Teams Kea/Kiwi sharing their learning**

Fri 17/7 **Teams Ruru/Tui sharing their learning**

Fri 24/7 **TK Football at Oroua Downs**

Fri 31/7 **Teams Kaki/Huia sharing
their learning**



WIG WEDNESDAY

*Well done
everyone.
We raised
\$135.50 for
the Child
Cancer
Foundation*



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