

Scholastic Book Club Orders close Thursday 23 May —order online now!

A note from the Principal...

“What lovely students and so ready to learn, even though this is only the first day back.” A wonderful comment which was made last week by the Life Education Trust teacher, who visits our school each year. We were thrilled that an outside teacher noticed the two key foci areas that we promote – for our students to always use their RIDE values and the importance of being switched on as learners.

Jan Otene
Principal

Happening in Our School...

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

Board Elections

There will be 5 positions available on our Board of Trustees. This will include 2 current members who are applying for re-election. Our board members meet twice each term and work really well as a team to undertake a governance role at Rewa Rewa School. If you are interested in being a trustee, please contact either Jan Otene (04 939 0186) or Mark Williams (027 457 7347) to find out more about this role. All eligible voters should have received information from our Returning Officer in the mail recently, but if you believe that you have been missed out, please come to the Office for a copy.

Teacher-Only Day

- Tuesday 4 June (following Queens Birthday weekend)

As part of their professional development our teachers have 1 call-back day this year during term time. To ensure that all students attend school for the legislated number of open days, an additional day is then added to the end of the school calendar. This working day is vital to give our teaching team the opportunity to work together to improve our delivery of curriculum at Rewa Rewa School.

Last week, as part of our professional development in understanding the new Digital Technology curriculum (due to be introduced in 2020), our teachers had

BeeBots, Micro-bits, squishy circuits, Osmo, Dash, Lego WeDo and Sphero rolling all over the staffroom - not always in the direction where they should have been going. We have begun teaching this curriculum in our classrooms and you might have already heard children talking about debugging and algorithms.



Professional Development in Action

Focus Group

We are looking for a small group of parents to share their opinions when we require parent feedback – this may be a quick phone call, mini meeting or online survey. If you would like to be on the contact list, please email office@rewarewa.school.nz You are welcome to say no at any time, if contacted for your parent voice. The first focus group will meet in the staffroom 2.30-3pm Wednesday 19 June, contributing to a discussion on school leadership.

Written Student Reports

Schools must now report to parents on all curriculum areas against the levels of the curriculum, rather than using National Standards. Last term we reviewed and aligned our Year 1 – 6 student reports to meet this new criteria. We value your feedback, so with each student report we have included a brief survey for parents/caregivers to complete. Year 1 – 2 reports will be sent home near each child’s anniversary dates (20/40/60/80 weeks at school), whereas Year 3 – 6 reports will be issued at the end of terms 2 and 4. We expect all parents to attend meetings with their child’s teacher to discuss their progress, as part of this process.



We welcome Hirusha, Jay-Dee and Shadaye, along with their families, to Rewa Rewa School.

If you have a child who is turning 5 this year, please enrol them as soon as possible, so that school visits can be arranged.

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Home & School Parent Group

Our team is busy preparing for some exciting H&S happenings at Rewa Rewa School, including a Quiz Night, grant applications for new shade sails, playground games painted on the concrete and a Junior Playground. We'd love to have you on board – come to our next meeting 6 pm, Tuesday 14 May in the staffroom.

Naomi Godfrey, H&S Chair

Road Safety

Please be extremely careful when parking and backing on Padnell Crescent – we had a very near miss last week. Please **DO NOT** turn into the staff carpark or back out of it. We also need more parent helpers for road patrol – your 15 minutes of time helps to keep all of our students safe.

After School Care

If you have booked your child to attend ASC, but then need to withdraw them **on that day – you MUST RING the school and speak to a staff member**, who will then notify ASC. Please do not email or leave a message on the answerphone after 12 noon, as this will not be cleared until the next day.

Term 2 Curriculum

- Learning areas for this term include:
- Living World (Zealandia trip for Yr 1 - 4)
- The Arts – Myths & Legends (visual art), live theatre (Fables)
- Cross country running and rugby skills
- Life Education Trust (Friendships and Self Esteem)

- Cultural rotations (cross-syndicate)
- Te Ao Māori – language and kapa haka
- Digital Technology Curriculum – introducing robotics
- Developing our Bronze Level learners

We encourage our parents to be actively involved in their child's learning and to look for ways where you can contribute.

Measles Alert

There has now been a case of measles within the Wellington region. If we are notified of a case of measles affecting one of our students, Ministry of Health requirements will be followed. i.e. Anyone (student or adults, for whom we have no proof of immunity or immunisation, will not be allowed at school until 14 days after the last confirmed case at our school. Just a note - the chicken pox outbreak of 2015 went on for a term.

Please provide the Office with a copy of your child's immunisation certificate now, if you have not already done so.

Start Munching & Crunching!

The Yummy Fruit company is running their sticker promotion again in 2019. Yummy stickers and bag labels on fruit, such as apples and pears, can be collected throughout the year and redeemed by schools for sports equipment in September. Yummy fruit is available at Pak n Save, New World and participating Four Square stores.

Currently, there are quite a few varieties of apples with stickers and some pears. Generally, each sticker is worth one point, with some varieties (Sweet Tango, Lemonade and Ambrosia), with stickers worth 2 points each. Last year we collected about 1,700 stickers and we would love to collect 2,000 or more this year.

Just download and print the sticker sheets below, or see Erin Moore in Whero class to collect a paper copy, then start collecting!

Take one to work, share with your friends and family and return filled sheets to Erin.

Download sticker sheets here:

[Sticker Collection Sheet](#)

[Bonus Sticker Sheet](#)

[Cut-Out Label Collection Sheet](#)



Upcoming Events...

Tuesday	14 May	6pm	H&S Parent Group Meeting (Staffroom)
Friday	24 May	12 noon	Nominations Close for BOT Elections
Friday	07 June	12 noon	Board of Trustees Election Voting Closes
Wednesday	19 June	2.30-3pm	Focus Group Meeting

Term Dates 2019

Term 1	Tuesday	29 January	—	Friday 12 April
	Wednesday	06 February	—	Waitangi Day, School Closed
Term 2	Monday	29 April	—	Friday 5 July
	Monday	03 June	—	Queen's Birthday, School Closed
	Tuesday	04 June	—	Teacher-Only Day, School Closed
Term 3	Monday	22 July	—	Friday 27 September
Term 4	Monday	14 October	—	Friday 13 December (School closes at 1pm)
	Monday	21 October	—	Labour Day, School Closed

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



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