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SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER—LAST DAY OF TERM (see pg. 3 for details).

A note from the Principal...

As I celebrate 5 years of principalship at Rewa Rewa School at the end of this term, 1 am constantly uplifted by the many things that we, together, have accomplished during this time. Our learners are self managing, creative and caring individuals who continually surprise us with their innovation and thirst for new ideas. Our new classrooms are a pleasure to work in and property developments such as the new Adventure Playground and covered swimming pool support outdoor play for all of our students. The curriculum that we deliver has really started to gain momentum. By including innovative practices, such as teaching Digital Technology to our learners and working alongside Mark Treadwell to develop a curriculum for our school that is future-focussed, our students are being exposed to all the components that will add knowledge, skill and confidence to their kete. As a parent recently said to me, it takes a village to raise a child. Thank you everyone for your support and input over the last 5 years. Together we can be very proud of our school and our achievements. Our current roll stands at 106 students.

Jan Otene Principal

Happening in Our School...

Pedestrians

Last week's misty conditions were a timely reminder for drivers to proceed slowly along Padnell Crescent and for our students to wear bright/reflective clothing or backpacks and cross roads with care. Children can be very difficult for drivers to see, especially on Stewart Drive. On the upside, we have no photos of parking infringements to share this week, which is very pleasing to note.

CURRICULUM

We have had a lot to feel very proud of over this term, as our students have met new challenges and are excited about their learning.

Te Wiki o te Reo Maori / Maori Language Week - some facts that you may not know:

Māori Language Week has been celebrated each year since 1975. Māori Language Day is September 14 and commemorates the presentation of the 1972 Māori language petition to parliament. Mahuru Māori is an initiative begun in 2017 to promote the use of te reo Māori throughout the month of September.

Why a week? Why not a year? Why not a decade? A century?

New Zealand is revitalising Māori language and a part of that is celebrating our success and promoting te reo Māori. Māori language week is an opportunity for concentrated celebration, promotion and encouragement. Every minute of every hour of every day can be a Māori language minute – we can choose to use te reo – every time we do, even just saying "kia ora!", contributes to this revitalisation. Each week Rewa Rewa students are immersed in te reo and kapa haka and this week we have been making an effort to add to our kete of knowledge. We challenge our parent community to greet others with a friendly kia ora – you will be surprised at how a simple gesture such as this shows others that you are proud to be a New Zealander.

Firewise Health Unit

The Johnsonville Fire Brigade visited our school this week as part of the Yr 0-2 health programme, focused on keeping ourselves safe. Students were invited to climb through the engine, as well as practising with the hose in the quad area – a great learning opportunity for



We welcome Hanae and her family to Rewa Rewa School, we hope you will enjoy your time with us. 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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all! Our thanks to the local brigade for providing this opportunity.





STUDENT CELEBRATIONS

Community Mural

The local Newlands Community Centre recently invited each of 40 schools and other local organisations in our area to create a small piece of art work to be sewn together to create a community centre wall-hanging. Huge thanks to our music teachers, Pam and Jude Bailey, for teaching a group of our senior students new skills, such as chain stitch, to create this beautiful handsewn piece. Well done Darsheka, Maxine, Michaiah, Nina and Tallulah.



Super Rugby

One of our senior students, Jay-Dee, is a member of the Norths Rugby Club Eagles Under-12s, which played in a rugby exchange last weekend in Christchurch. He played in the position of hooker and helped his team to win 27-26 against Lyttelton - a very exciting game. Well done Jay-Dee!

Mathswell Wellington Primary School Competition

Our maths team represented the school with pride last week and achieved a score they can be very proud of.

Well done to Miss Hills for preparing our students for this competition.

Hide 'n' Go Seek

Do you know I like black clothes Because in the night No one can see me In the bush we cannot hide In a little bush Bushes are black like the shadow It's cool when I play Hide 'n' go seek Black is like the shadow we cannot see No one can see me



A poem by Tiri

Kapa Haka Festival – Thursday 19 September

Our Kapa Haka rōpū are ready to go – nearly half of the school! Whanau are invited to attend the festival being held at Newlands College. If you are able to help with transport, applying moko and supervising please let Charlotte Hills know. Our huge thanks to both Charlotte Hills and Carol Fitzgerald for all their leadership in working with this group. Our best wishes to...

Mathius, Hirusha, Jahrell, Leon, Lucas, Brennan, Dash, Izak, Hanzala, Eddy, Gino, Lah-Trell, Honor, Zion, Emily, Zoe, Luisa-Lee, Sienna, Soleil, Boots, Ananyaa, Troy, Sylas, Danny-Lee, Nathan, Riki, Reuben, Muhammad, Malachii, Shane, Tia, Shardaye, Brooklyn S, Matilda, TJ, Tane, Ben, Cole, Pharoah, Raffy, Alana, Esha, Darsheka, Mary,Ezekeil, Kingston, Tiri, Maxine and Michaiah.

DanceSplash – Friday 20 September

Our very best wishes to the DanceSplash performers who will SHINE at the Michael Fowler Centre next week. Our best wishes to the troupe: Eddy, Gino, Brooklyn, Pranesh, Matilda, TJ, Esha, Darsheka, Pharoah, Maxine, Jessica, Nina, Tallulah, Christina, Michaiah, Kingston and Cole (who will be unable to perform on the night due to a rugby tournament).

Tickets are available for Dancesplash, \$5 per person, maximum 4 tickets per family. Please make online payment to the account below, tickets will be sent home with your child on receipt of payment:

Rewa Rewa School BOT

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Reference: Dancesplash

Details: [Your Child's Name]

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School Storage Container

We will be emptying our shipping container storage over the next few weeks and expect to have spare desks / chairs / shelving / general equipment. We will let parents know via email if there are items available that you may be interested in acquiring.

Measles Immunisation

We recognise that immunisation is a parent's choice. However, schools are required to keep a register of those who have/have not received immunisation, along with proof, such as an immunisation certificate or record. If there is a measles outbreak at our school, any student that we do not hold proof of immunity for will be required to stay away from school for up to 14 days from the first case, possibly longer if there are more cases.

Currently, parents of 45% of our students have not provided any proof of immunity – simply ticking the box on the enrolment form is not enough. Please read the information emailed, as well as sent home on Monday and provide a copy of your child's vaccination certificate to the Office NOW! Immunisation records may be found in your child's Well Child book or requested from your GP or Regional Public Health. Full details are in the notice sent home, available on the Newsletters page of our website.

ASC Holiday Programme

Enrolments are now open for the September/October Holiday Programme, half-day sessions are available. The downloadable enrolment form and information can be found on the Information/After School Care Service page of our website, paper copies are also available from After School Care or the Office.

School Office Closed – Friday 27 September

THE SCHOOL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR BUSINESS ON FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER, to enable us to move furniture and equipment out for replacement of the carpet throughout the admin block during the school holidays. The Office will be staffed till 12.15pm on Thursday 26 September and then re-opened for business as usual on Monday 14 October, the first day of Term 4. If you have any matters requiring urgent assistance on that day, please see your classroom teacher.

Johnsonville Christmas Parade 2019

Last year Rewa Rewa School entered the Johnsonville Christmas Parade and we had a fantastic time! So good, in fact, that we are keen to do it again this year. So far, over 50 kids are keen to participate!! The parade will take place on Saturday 7 December, but before the day, we need to plan and create our float. Megan Williams is looking for parent volunteers to help, please contact her on 027 442 3364. An information and 'ideas evening will be held in the Staff Room 6pm, Tuesday 15 October.



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Assembly Certificates Week 10, Term 2							
Whero	Dash	RESPECT: Looking after the new Blue Bots while working on his algorithm.					
Kowhai	Kayleigh	Respect: Caring for our learning envioronment.					
Kahurangi	Daniel	DIVERSITY: Working well with others as part of a small group.					
Whero	Owen	THINKING: Following a design idea to make a marble run.					
Kowhai	Eddy	Managing: Being organised by respecting classroom resources.					
Kahurangi	Andrew	THINKING: Applying his mathematical knowledge of angles to code a robot to					
Whero	Emily	Emily For supporting others in their learning in writing and social skills.					
Kowhai	Troy	For identifying when something is tracky by asking questions.					
Kahurangi	Shivaan	Being consistently focused, supporting others and completing learning tasks.					

Upcoming Events...

Thursday	19 September		Newlands Kapa Haka Festival
Friday	20 September	8.45pm	Dancesplash
Tuesday	15 October	6pm	2019 Christmas Parade Float Meeting (Staffroom)

Term Dates 2019

Term 1	Tuesday	29 January	_	Friday12 April				
	Wednesday	/ 06 February	_	Waitangi Day, School Closed				
Term 2	Monday	29 April	—	Friday5 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	_	Friday13 December (School closes at 1pm)				
	Monday	28 October	_	Labour Day, School Closed				
Please note: After School Care is also unavailable when school is closed.								

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The Newlands Junior Softball club are now taking registrations for the upcoming 2019/2020 summer season. Softball is so much fun for all ages and no previous playing experience is necessary. We have mixed grades for T-Ball or Mini-Pitch for the Under 7s and Under 9s. The gender grades range from U11, U13, U15 and U18. Registrations are online at www.sportsground.co.nz/newlandssoftball (our website). For more information please visit our website, facebook page or contact our Junior Club Convenor: Marama Dickson mini-Pitch



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Become a friend of Rewa Rewa – please contact us to see how support from your business can help gain advertising to our community. We welcome physical and/or financial support to help with replacing fencing, concrete pathways, playground games painting, school sports uniforms and signage, gardens.

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NON-EMERGENCY



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