

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

### A note from the Principal...

Thank you to all of our volunteers, who have supported our children in so many ways this term: PTP tutors, garden club, road patrol, Scholastic Book Club orders, guitar accompaniment, transport and supervision to events such as DanceSplash and the Newlands Kapa Haka festival. I would also like to thank our Board of Trustees and Home & School Parent Group for your ongoing work – together we are making such a difference to the quality of care and education that our tamariki receive. Our final assembly this term has been changed to 9.30am Thursday 26 September, due to cricket lessons on Friday – all are welcome. Have a restful holiday and we'll see you back for a term of celebration on Monday 14 October.

**Jan Otene**  
Principal

### Happening in Our School...

#### Kapa Haka Festival

It was wonderful to have so many of our parents attend this event to support their children and our school. For many, it was their first experience of being welcomed onto a marae and for the dads and grandfathers, they experienced sitting in the front row, participating in traditional pōwhiri protocols, such as the hongī. I was reminded of the diversity of our own community at this event – our Sri Lankan, Chilean, Filipino, Indian, Fijian, European, Samoan, Māori and Cook Island families, to name just a few, were all represented. Our huge thanks to Charlotte Hills for leading our rōpū, and to Carol Fitzgerald and Sala Visani-Centellas, for assisting with guitar and make up. Check our school's Facebook page for photos and a video of their performance.



#### DanceSplash

Wow – as the last licks of paint were being applied to faces and glowsticks were clicked on, an air of anticipation spread across the faces of our dance troupe. Our huge thanks to Charlotte Hills, as their dance coach, who put in mega-hours over the last 9 weeks towards training our dancers. Over 8000 students performed last week at the Michael Fowler Centre and our dancers SHONE as they shimmied and cartwheeled across the stage. Our thanks to Ambresh and Frances for helping with transport to the practice and to Frances for the fabric dye for t-shirts.



#### Parent Communication Guide

##### - How to Support Your Talented Child

- Ask your child if they are in a performance/competition group
- Read EVERY notification that you receive about the event – as soon as it arrives
- Mark your calendar with all important deadlines/dates e.g. buying tickets, performance dates for each event that your child is participating in
- If you have any queries, ask the person in charge WELL AHEAD of time
- On the day of the event, if there is a hiccup, LET US KNOW as soon as possible, so that we can try to problem-solve with you
- Check that your child is not double-booking themselves with another event on the same day
- Enjoy attending your child's event to support them!



We welcome Aria 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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### Board News

Our roll continues to climb, which is fantastic - 99% being in-zone enrolments. At the start of term 4 we expect to reach 110 students, with 125 being our optimum 'end of year' target. In 2020 there will be only 2 ballots during the year. These ballots are held for out-of-zone enrolments, for which there will only be up to 5 places available in total next year. A notice will be sent home by the end of the week with full details, please check for this in your child's school bag or on the website.

We are pleased to announce that Ana Kawenga, who joined Kowhai class in term 3, has been appointed as a permanent teacher. We congratulate her on this achievement and look forward to her joining our community. One of Ana's strengths is developing relationships with others, so she will be the perfect person to work alongside Charlotte Hills, in further developing connections with our Māori and Pasifika families.

The ERO Review team has indicated that they are likely to visit our school in term 4, which we are very excited about, as we have a lot to share about our amazing school community. A pōwhiri will be held to welcome this team into our school and we encourage all of our parents to attend – we will let you know the date for this as soon as it has been confirmed.

Over the holidays it is likely that there will be contractors/working bees onsite. The worn out Admin block carpet is being replaced, aluminium windows will be installed on the RTL buildings, playground markings will be painted on our quad and there may be work being undertaken near the container at the junior end of our classrooms. We would appreciate parents reminding their children to stay well away from these construction areas, as well as from moving vehicles AT ALL TIMES.

The MOE initiative to introduce Learning Support Co-ordinators to support our Newlands cluster of schools and their students is underway. Our local principals have advertised the first of these 5 positions and will be undertaking interviews shortly. They will update their respective communities as more information becomes available.

### Home & School Parent Group

We've holding a fundraiser next term as a way of getting our parents together! A **fun quiz evening** will be held at 1841 Bar & Restaurant on Sunday 10 November.

Tickets will go on sale soon. In the meantime, teams can be formed either on the night or beforehand, with the key idea to encourage everyone to mix and mingle with each other - should be a great night out for all! We invite all existing and new parents to attend our next meeting to organise this event **6pm, Tuesday 15 October** in the staffroom.

The **Junior Playground** Committee are on fire with Stage 1 about to get underway. If you are able to help with fence building and concrete laying (or a donation of cement), over the next few weeks please call Al Pearce (027 282 3105). We are aiming to have this completed within the next term. Stage 2 will involve developing the space within the playground to support our 'Learning through Play' programme. Our huge thanks to those who have already put their hand up to help with this exciting project.

A sub-group from our Home & School parents are beginning preparation for the **Johnsonville Christmas Parade** – see below if you would like to help with this special event, which will showcase our awesome school, within the wider local community.

### 2019 Johnsonville Christmas Parade

This will be our 2nd year in the Johnsonville Christmas Parade and those who joined in last year either to create the float or to walk behind it absolutely BUZZED about the experience. We're inviting any adults who would like join us in putting our parade item together, to meet in the staffroom on WEEK 1 – **6pm Tuesday 15 October** in the staffroom. If you would like further information about this, please contact Megan (027 442 3364).

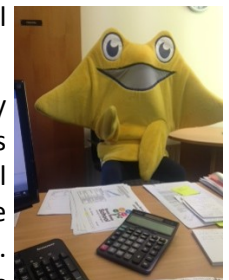
*Naomi Godfrey, Chair*

### Swimming @ Rewa Rewa School - Term 4

One never knows who—or what—will come through one's door next!

I must admit, interviewing a stingray was a bit of a slippery task. He was here to remind us that swimming will start on Monday 14 October, the **FIRST DAY** back to school in term 4. We suggest that you pack your child's

togs, towel and goggles into their school bag well ahead of Day 1. All of our students are expected to swim each week unless their teacher has been informed by a parent. Spare togs will be handed out to those who forget to bring their own. We are also working towards opening the pool to the community every Friday



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evening next term. There will be a small charge for swimmers towards the cost of Easyswim lifeguards and heating the pool. We would love to get some feedback on this, as we are also considering Sunday afternoons in the summer. N.B. This is not a babysitting service – children must be accompanied by an adults at all times (swimming or non-swimming).

#### Lost Property

This will be on display in the quad during the week. Please take the time to look for the rest of your child's wardrobe! We'd love a parent to take responsibility for organising this collection – please come to the Office if you can help.

#### Year 6 Enrolments @ NIS

If you are the parent of a year 6 student who you would like to attend Newlands Intermediate in 2020, and you not already submitted your application to them, this is now overdue. We have been advised that only 7 of our 15 year 6 students have been pre-enrolled with them - DO NOT LEAVE THIS JOB TO THE LAST MINUTE, especially if you are out of their zone. Contact NIS directly for any assistance required with this process. A school visit to NIS for Year 6 students will be undertaken next term.

#### Measles Immunisation—Proof Required

The first case of measles in a Wellington school has been confirmed this week. 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 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 available on the Newsletters page of our website.

#### ASC Holiday Programme

Spaces are still available for the September/October Holiday Programme, half-day sessions are available Monday-Thursday, with Fridays being a full-day session only (trip days). 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. Any enrolments not received before 10am tomorrow, Thursday 26 September (as our Office is closed on Friday), should be given directly to the Holiday Programme Supervisor.

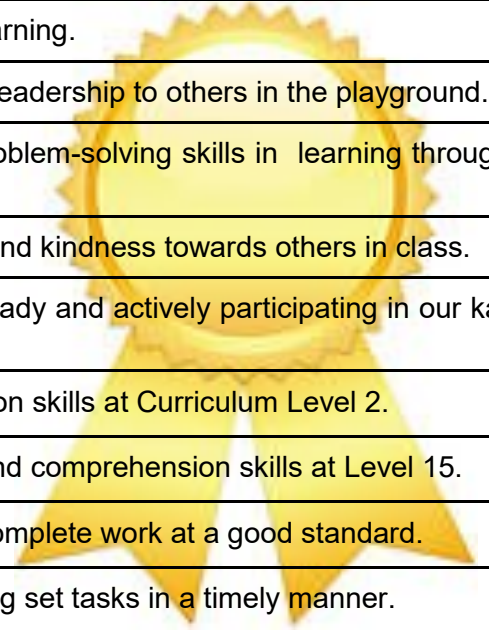
#### School Office Closed – Friday 27 September

**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.

## Assembly Certificates

### Week 8, Term 3

Whero	<b>Samantha</b>	Diversity: always encouraging and supporting others to join in.
Kowhai	<b>Shane</b>	Integrity: for showing pride in all his learning.
Kahurangi	<b>Jay-Dee</b>	Respect: Demonstrating respect and leadership to others in the playground.
Whero	<b>Bella</b>	Thinking: Her creative thinking and problem-solving skills in learning through
Kowhai	<b>Tia</b>	Relating to Others: For showing care and kindness towards others in class.
Kahurangi	<b>Ben</b>	Participating & Contributing: Always ready and actively participating in our ka-
Whero	<b>Clara</b>	Building her reading and comprehension skills at Curriculum Level 2.
Whero	<b>Sienna</b>	Improvement in her reading fluency and comprehension skills at Level 15.
Kowhai	<b>Bentley</b>	For being persistent in his Writing to complete work at a good standard.
Kahurangi	<b>Dylan</b>	Focused on his learning and completing set tasks in a timely manner.



### Upcoming Events...

Tuesday	15 October	6pm	H&S 2019 Christmas Parade Float Meeting (Staffroom)
			H&S Quiz Night Meeting
Sunday	10 November		H&S Quiz Night (1841 Bar & Restaurant)
Saturday	7 December		Johnsonville Christmas Parade

### Term Dates 2019

<b>Term 1</b>	Tuesday	29 January	—	Friday	12 April
	Wednesday	06 February	—	<b>Waitangi Day, School Closed</b>	
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday	29 April	—	Friday	5 July
	Monday	03 June	—	<b>Queen's Birthday, School Closed</b>	
	Tuesday	04 June	—	<b>Teacher-Only Day, School Closed</b>	
<b>Term 3</b>	Monday	22 July	—	Friday	27 September
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday	14 October	—	Friday	13 December (School closes at 1pm)
	Monday	28 October	—	<b>Labour Day, School Closed</b>	

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





### Learn To Swim – Easyswim Swim School

Bookings are opening for term four swimming lessons at Khandallah, Tawa, Rewa Rewa, Johnsonville and Plimmerton School pools. Early Childhood through to Adults are welcome in our warm private pools. Holiday Courses are running at Tawa and Khandallah in the first week of the holidays and Johnsonville in the second week. For more information visit [www.easyswim.co.nz](http://www.easyswim.co.nz) to book call 2347946 or email [book@easyswim.co.nz](mailto:book@easyswim.co.nz)

Come join **Newlands Rugby Club** to play Touch Rugby at Alex Moore Park in Term 4, starting 4 November 2019 for 6 weeks. Game times are from 4pm on Monday afternoons.

Newlands Rugby will have teams in the following grades :Year 1/2 Open, Year 3/4 Boys, Year 3/4 Mixed, Year 5/6 Girls, Year 5/6 Boys, Year 5/6 Mixed,

Register at : <https://www.sporty.co.nz/newlands> , any questions please email us at [newlandsrugbyclub@gmail.com](mailto:newlandsrugbyclub@gmail.com)

### Sunshine Drama

Sunshine Drama classes provide a creative and fun learning space for students 4 - 15+ years of age. Sessions engage imaginative minds, grow confidence & build communication, performance and social skills. For class information or to arrange a free trial class contact: Jenae 0274 380 533 or visit [www.sunshinedrama.co.nz](http://www.sunshinedrama.co.nz).

Registration is now open for our Junior Athletics Season.

Club nights are **Monday** evenings. Please see [www.olympicjuniors.nz](http://www.olympicjuniors.nz) for information on our club nights (see Junior athletics tab) and registration (see membership tab).

Our first club night is **Monday 21 October 2019, 5.30pm at Grenada North.**

**Further details about other athletic events such as interclub meets at Newtown and Colgate Games will be available at club nights.**

*Athletics is a great sport for developing not only in the track and field area but also in skills for all other sports.*

## Proud Supporters of Rewa Rewa School



<https://www.kellysflowers.co.nz/>

**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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**IF IT'S ALREADY HAPPENED USE 105**

**NON-EMERGENCY**  
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