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Rewa Rewa School

Newsletter

Mission Statement:

To promote success for learners as an ongoing process of personal and social development.



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Special points of interest:

- Principal's Note
- Happening in Our School

What a wonderful end to a very busy and successful year. Highlights have included our roll growth, opening our heated and covered swimming pool, completing a large number of property upgrades, achieving a fabulous ERO report, electing a new BOT, developing the Peer Mediator programme and watching all of our students SUCCEED! Along the way we've managed to dodge earthquakes, flooding, electricity and water cuts, proving just how resilient we are at Rewa Rewa School!

The Board of Trustees, staff and I would like to wish all of our families a wonderful Xmas and New Year. We look forward to seeing you back at school on Monday 30 January at 9am for another fabulous year. As always, we ask that you keep a watchful eye on our school grounds during the holiday break – if you see anything that needs to be reported please let the police know or phone AI, our caretaker, (027 282 3105). We remind parents that children need to be supervised at all times when playing in our school grounds.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Jan Otene (Principal)

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Final School Assembly

Our final assembly will be on Thursday 11.45am-12.45pm. We welcome you to attend as we farewell our students, families and teachers who are moving on from Rewa Rewa School. School officially closes at 1 pm and we ask that parents arrive promptly to collect their children. After School Care will be operating from 1-6 pm. We wish Junior Togia and his family all the very best as he begins his new adventure as principal of Pembroke School in Stratford.

Emergency Packs

This week we are returning student emergency packs to all those who sent these to school during the year. We will be requesting refreshed packs at the start of next year for each student and we expect a 100% return. This year's natural disasters show that we need to be prepared.

Class Organisation for 2017

Every parent/caregiver should have received their child's 2017 class information and stationery list last Friday. If your child has not given this to you please ask their class teacher to give you another copy. If you lose the stationery list over the holidays you will be able to find it on the school's website.

Helpers Thank You Morning Tea

The staff hosted a delicious morning tea last week. It was a lovely opportunity for our helpers to be officially thanked for their school service and to meet each other. Constable Aaron Dan also managed to drop in after training our new 2017 patrol crew. Once again, we would like to pass on our huge thanks to every person who has assisted our school this year. I would particularly like to thank our school board and H & S parent committee who have made such a valuable contribution throughout the year, particularly Cara Reddish who leaves us after years of service as an H & S parent helper.



School Trip

We had an awesome day last Tuesday at Tawa swimming pool and Tawa College recreation centre. Activities included aquarobics, bouncey castle, indoor hockey and toy car rides. Our thanks to Newlands Coach Service for their subsidised service and the best drivers in town, WCC for their games' co-ordinators and the Tawa Pool team.



Letter Box helpers

We are dropping enrolment fliers into local letter boxes as part of our drive to inform families that our wonderful school is a great option for them to consider. We need a few volunteers to help deliver these during the summer break. If you can help, please contact Naomi Godfrey (027 433 1252).

We thank Naomi for managing to get these fliers printed at no cost to the school!

January Holiday Programme

Our programme will run from Monday 16 till Friday 27 January (closed on Wellington Anniversary Day, Monday 23 January). In the second week we offer free Easyswim lessons each day, as part of this programme – get in early to book your child a place. Enrolments forms are available for download on our website or from the school office or After School Care. During the holidays bookings can be made directly with the supervisor, Shona Atkins (022 361 6735).

Assembly Award Congratulations!

Whero	TJ	Always being willing to help others.
Whero	Kayla-Rose	Effort in reading, which has progressed steadily.
Kowhai	Michaiah	Concentrating & improving in quoits.
Kowhai	Joe	Effort & skill in quoits during athletics.
Kahurangi	Tennyson	Caring & being supportive of learning during our preschool visits.
Kahurangi	Kaylee	Showing persistence & confidence in her learning.
Whero	Madison	Being a wonderful friend.
Whero	Yousif	His wonderful attitude to learning.
Kowhai	Joziah	Displaying RIDE values.
Kowhai	Kody	Progressing in water confidence.





Calendar of Events 2016

4	Week 10	Final Assembly	Thursday	15 December	11.45am
		End Term 4	Thursday	15 December	1pm

2017—Term 1 start date: Monday 30 January, 9am

Term Dates 2017

1	Week 1	Start of Term 1	Monday	30 January	9am
	Week 11	Last day of Term 1	Thursday	13 April	3pm
2	Week 1	Start Term 2	Monday	1 May	9am
	Week 6	Queen's Birthday— School Closed	Monday	5 June	
	Week 10	End Term 2	Friday	7 July	3pm
3	Week 1	Start Term 3	Monday	24 July	9am
	Week 9	End Term 3	Friday	29 September	3pm
4	Week 1	Start Term 4	Monday	16 October	9am
	Week 3	Labour Day— School Closed	Monday	23 October	
	Week 10	End Term 4	Thursday	14 December	1pm



RAROA MUSIC CENTRE ENROLMENTS FOR 2017

Raroa Music Centre offers Saturday morning group music lessons for primary school children at low cost. Classes include choir, keyboard, recorder, drums, ukulele, guitar, violin, cello, clarinet, flute and trumpet.

To enrol for 2017 visit our website at www.raroamusic.org.nz and enrol online. Enrolments open in mid-January.