

Quote:

Grandparents hold our tiny hands for just a little while, but our hearts forever.

Dear Parents and Caregivers

What a busy week we had last week, just what the Doctor ordered, lots of fun and laughter and interesting things to do and see.

Grandparents Day

What an amazing turn out of grandparents, family and friends and what a wonderful, spread for our shared lunch. Thank you so much for the huge support you showed for this lovely event. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did. Thanks to parents for your work in the kitchen and for the lovely food for lunch.

Mr Zac Taylor

Zac has taken leave this week as he is Best Man at a friends wedding in Scotland, so we will expect to see him back all bright and shiny first day next Term !!! Mrs Patricia O'Neill will be working in Room 4 on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mr James White Thursday and Friday.

Room 3

Mrs Jenny Scott will be working four days a week in Room 3 from today until the end of the year and Mr James White will be in Room 3 on a Friday until the end of the year.

Farewell & Final Assembly

Miss Sarah Grant is on sick leave until the end of Term and as her contract has been completed, Staff, Board, children and parents are invited to a farewell for Sarah on Thursday afternoon to be combined with assembly. **We will have final assembly Thursday afternoon at the different time of 1.45 pm instead of Friday and there will be an afternoon tea for Sarah and the adults.** We would be grateful if you could let us know if you are able to be here for catering purposes. I am sure we will see Sarah from time to time as she has been part of our community for quite some time.

Term Dates

School finishes this Friday 24th September and reopens Monday 11th October. Finish date for the year is Wednesday 15th December.

Loud Shirt Day

Thank you so much for your support for Loud Shirt Day, that was a real success too and the children had fun wearing their 'loud shirts'. We raised \$91.20 for Deaf Awareness week. Many thanks.

Clay

The Room 3 children completed their clay modeling last Tuesday and their results were amazing. Room 3 clay models are away being fired ready for painting and Room 4 models have been painted.

Lunches

HOT DOGS AND JELLIES LAST DAY THIS THURSDAY.

Next Term we will have something else on the menu to raise funds for camp!

Ohaupo Production

Thank you so much for your support with transport for Ohaupo. We really enjoyed the performance so much.

Melville Kindy Breakfast

The Staff will be attending the Melville Kindy breakfast Thursday morning from 7.30 am-8.30am. There may not be any teachers here until 8.30 am.

Kindy Visit

Ms Coles and I will be taking Room 1 on a kindy visit on Wednesday. Thanks to those parents who have offered to provide transport.

Daffodil Day

\$31.70 was raised for Daffodil Day. Thank you to everyone who contributed. Funds were deposited at the National Bank.

Country Day (keep a look out on our website for updated details)

Registrations need to be in by the end of the week so that Karin can arrange to order trophies and ribbons. PLEASE return these ASAP.

I trust everyone entering 'grow your own radish' has done so and is nurturing their seeds! Please return any cups and trophies.

Rukuhia School Newsletter

Term Three - Week Ten

20 September 2010



Congratulations

We nominated Brodie Chitham and Leah Riches for the Altrusa Youth Awards and both children were successful and received books to the value of \$25.00.. Mr Zac Taylor, Mrs Jane Coles and I attended the presentation along with Brodie and Leah's families.

Well done to these two. **Congratulations** also to Bruce Tocker who won the Waikato 'Kiwi Battler' award. Thank you to everyone who voted for him. Bruce nominated two community projects that he was passionate about and the Rukuhia Community Hall Society will receive \$5000.00 to go toward the current mortgage of the Hall.



Rukuhia Star Players !!

Four students received recognition for their football achievements this season at the Waikato Regional Prizegiving on Saturday. Jake Graves team won the 11th Grade 1st Division Preliminary round trophy. Glenview United Lions won two trophies; Preliminary and Championship round winners for their open grade division. Dylan Lewis, Josh Pratt and Robert Graves are mem-

bers of this team, with coaching by Wayne Lewis and Owen Pratt

Hamilton Press

We were approached by the Hamilton Press to have our children present an advertisement in what will be an insert in the Hamilton Press on Wednesday 22nd, so look out for this as we accepted the challenge. This is the first time the Hamilton Press have had this project for children so they are in experimental stage. It has been done for some years in Taranaki and when I showed them an example in the Taranaki paper of the school I had been at they were surprised to see it in colour while the Hamilton Press is doing it in black and white. I asked Mr Zac Taylor if his class could complete the task and this took two and a half days, there was quite a lot involved. An amazing thing for the students, they interviewed the managers of the advertising sponsors, wrote a blurb about each sponsor and designed a picture advertisement.

A huge thank you to our sponsors for making this possible for our school, not only will Rukuhia have a full page BUT five photos of activities in our school will be placed in and around the paper. Only eight schools I think picked up on the challenge. Many, many thanks to; Glenview New World, Sun fruit Orchard, Poppin' Good Corn and REL Engineering. Look out for all of this in the Junior Press, included with Wednesday's Hamilton Press.

Quiz Evening

I understand the Quiz Evening was a great evening, full of fun and laughter. The heavens opened up with lightning and thunder right before the fundraiser. Thank you to; all those on the RSCC/PTA for a fantastic team effort in sharing the workload; to Cath Knapton for being a great Quiz Master; to everyone participating and booking a team; to all our sponsors; Vilagrads, Hudson's Restaurant, Zibido, To-Wardz Safety Ltd, NDA, Graysons Law, LIC; to our families for dropping of some wonderful prizes; and to Harinder Mann for his great service and support with the liquor on the night.

We have yet to announce the total raised for the evening but will do so in our next newsletter. All funds raised will go toward Guided Readers. The winning team was 'Kimitheys Crew', we hope to see everyone again next year to challenge the Kimitheys Crew!

School Holiday Supervision

There is supervision for children this holiday by Sam Graves and assistants from **Tuesday 28/09**. This will be held in the Red Room with activities planned each day. \$20 per day, or \$30 for 2 from same family. Please book directly with Sam. For registration forms or further information call 027 823 0481 or 843 3191.

Reminders

- Yummy Stickers DUE TOMORROW at the latest
- Bring in some grocery items
- Pay your account by the 30th September if possible please
- Bring in your OLD SMALL ink cartridges
- Check the lost property by end of term
- Selling raffles for the Country Day Grocery Raffle

Well everyone, we have had a most eventful Term 3. I hope you all have a relaxing break and do hope the sun comes out.

Day light saving starts this weekend so hopefully we can start the BBQ's. Take care and have a lovely holiday. Look forward to seeing you all back next Term.

Kind Regards

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Staff Notes...

Room 1 Jane Coles janec@rukuhia.schoolzone.net.nz

Our letters for this week are: y x i a s and our high frequency words are: you it an see. We will revise all the blends this week.

Thank you for supporting our 'Grandparents' day. This was a great opportunity for children to show off their talents. Thank you for all the positive feedback. The children will be writing about Grandparents Day this week - I will put some of the stories on our school website later this week.

Lots of the children are looking forward to our 'Milo Cricket' session tomorrow. Parents are more than welcome to come along and join in.

We are off to Melville Kindergarten this Wednesday. Please remember to return the permission /transport notice about Melville Kindergarten.

If you would like extra reading books for the holidays just let me know. You can support your child's reading over the holidays by reading lots of picture books, and/or articles from the newspaper.

Room 2 Leanne Adam ladam@rukuhia.schoolzone.net.nz

Wow, it's the end of another term. This week your children are going to be having some fun exploring food. We have had a brainstorm after watching a selection from Suzy's World and are going to be experimenting with some different foods. If any parent is available on Wednesday with a bread maker, we would love to see you.

Thank you to all the grandparents and parents who supported us last Friday, we had a very enjoyable day. Congratulations to Savannah Bright for winning the class prize draw. As usual there is always a big push in the last week of term to get all our bits and pieces finished. Hopefully we will get there. If all readers could please be back at school on Friday, it would be appreciated. There will be a new fresh selection for the children to have to take home in the holidays, but remember no book bag, no books. I would also love to see all homework books on Friday.

Room 3 Jenny Scott jscott@rukuhia.schoolzone.net.nz

This week we are celebrating the end of a long, wet and cold term. We are all hoping for better weather when we return. Instead of winding down we are zooming into our unit on the Commonwealth Games. Our reports on the Bengal tiger are progressing and this week we are doing the NIE (newspapers in education) on the Games. Their publications are always fun and interesting.

We are reading and listening to the Hobbit and Roald Dahl novels. Thank you for all the book bags. Maths this week is a roundup of what we have been learning. We did our basic facts test for the term last week and most students had made progress. This is pleasing to see because Miss Grant and I have been hammering these with the children. There will be no homework this week, it will resume next term. I hope you all have a great holiday!

Room 4 Zac Taylor (Trisha O'Neil & James White)

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Greetings from R4. I am looking forward to having a great few days with these super children. Our focus will be on problem solving in both maths and literacy with the children being challenged to think and process problems outside their comfort zone. We will begin the week with a literacy game called going to Grandma's party which requires some serious analytical listening and thinking skills to solve the problem. This will be followed by some narrative writing with an entertaining twist. I host two university students one is Japanese girl and one Chinese girl and I really enjoy their company. On Tuesday or Wednesday I am bringing these students to school to talk to the class about their countries and the children will be cooking food for lunch, Japanese and Chinese. We will also be writing children's names in these languages. Mr James White will be working with the children on Thursday and Friday

Coming Events

21	Sep	BOT Meeting
22	Sep	Room 1 Kindy Visit
24	Sep	Last Day Term 3
11	Oct	Term 4 Commences
18	Oct	Country Day
22	Oct	Group Day
8-12	Nov	Book Fair
6-10	Dec	Room 4 Camp
15	Dec	Last Day of Term 4

Awards 17th September

Principal Award

- R1 Emma Watson**
For incredible attitude to learning in all areas
- R2 Regan Anderson**
For being caring and supportive of Junior class members
- R3 Kate Pudney**
For following routines and using initiative
- R4 Kerrin Riches**
For outstanding effort with homework
Brodie Chitham & Leah Riches
For outstanding effort an enthusiasm with reading

Class Awards

- R1 Lexi Emerson, Milan Phillips, Quinn Remnant**
- R2 Sophie Ingoe, Monique Karl, Cayley Ward, Corbin Remnant**
- R3 Fabio Taylor-Eynon, Tahlia Johnson-Rongo, Shanae Bennett, Ryan Marshall, Jyadeep Nagra,**
- R4 Jorja Little, Josh Pratt**

Playground Star Winner

Kerrin Riches

Certificate Draw

Jyadeep Nagra

Jump Jam Draw Winner

Aga Tahau

