

Newsletter Term 4 Week 4



KIA ORA Welcome to week 4!

Reminders

- The next assembly is this 25th of November at 2.30 pm. All are welcome.
- There is a paid union meeting for the teaching staff on the 16th of November, this means the school will close at 12.45 pm, afterschool care will be available 12.45 on this day. Please collect your children by 12.45.
- The **Christmas Festival** is coming up on the 18th of November from 3-7 pm, please see more information further in this Newsletter.
- Hat reminder, please remember school regulation hats are compulsory for Term 1 & 4 each year.
- Final Assembly and last day of school will be Wednesday the 14th of December at 11am, school finishes after the assembly, afterschool care will be available.
- If you received a trophy from last year's final assembly can it please be dropped back into the office as soon as possible.
- Please send in your stationery orders as soon as possible the last day to benefit from the bulk buying scheme is the 17th of November! Late orders can not be processed.

Have a fantastic week!



The current Lucky book club issue closes on the 21/11/2022, please have your orders in before this date. Online orders only through scholastic website please

Important Dates

Important Dates this Term:

Year 4 & 5 Camp 7-9 November

Year 6, 7 & 8 Camp 7-11 November

Friday the 18th of November—Christmas Festival

Tuesday the 15th November—Paterangi Jr Athletics

Friday the 25th of November—Lower Waipa Athletics Day (for senior students who qualify)

Final assembly & last day is the 14th of December.

Term Dates

Term 1 2022

Tuesday 1st February—14th April

Term 2 2022

2nd May—8th July

Term 3 2022

25th of July—30th September

Term 4 2022

17th of October—14th of December





Ka pai te mahi, Rukuhia School by Piper (Room 3) and James Marris

On Rukuhia Road there is an amazing school, where the teachers teach, and the children rule.

Helpful Mrs Coles is found, in room tahi, writing school musicals, and teaching the young with fun mahi.

Miss Andrews keeps a close eye on the boys, her room is ka pai, because it has lots of toys.

Mrs Adam helps with all our reading. Whilst Mrs Esselbrugge tends to the garden and weeding.

We know that Mrs O'Braen is loads of fun, In maths she explains to us, that one times one, equals one.

When I'm feeling sad, I go to Monique, because her hugs and aroha, are such a treat.

Mr Jepsen is very gifted at art, he makes us laugh when he pretends to fart.

In the office we find the wonderful Tyler, who organises Friday morning kai and is always a smiler.

For music we have the talented Mr Brooks, and outside by the tennis court we have 3 very fat chooks. (buk, buk, buk)

Principle Drury is always fair, although if we misbehave in class we have to sit on his naughty chair. (oh, ooh)

Last but not least is the positive Mr Jackson, who runs our school sports, and keeps us moving with action.

On Rukuhia Road there is an amazing school, where the children learn, and the teachers are cool. Please have a read of this fabulous poem! It was written by Piper and James for our classes poem recital in term 3. It's a collaborative, original piece. -Mrs Adam, Room 3 Rukuhia Christmas Festival

18th November 2022 3.00 pm to 7.00 pm

Kia ora Parents/Whanau



We are so excited about hosting a Christmas Festival this year. Everyone is invited and we encourage you all to come along to be entertained, to buy some Christmas presents, to have some delicious food and to connect with school and community families/whanau.

Students will be investigating how to raise money through having a stall at the festival. The learning will focus on Social Sciences - **understand that people have different roles and responsibilities as part of their participation in groups**. Key competencies will be - *thinking, using language, symbols, and text, managing self, relating to others and participating and contributing*.

Each classroom will be responsible for a stall, maybe two:

Room / Icky Sticky Sweetshop - consisting of homemade marmalade, jam, lemon honey and sweet treats (truffles, bliss balls, etc). Room I students will be making some things, however we welcome donations of 'sweet' and 'savoury' (pickles, chutneys) items. Please see Rachael or Jane.

Room 2 Creative Candles - candles in fancy jars made by Room 2.

Room 3 Glorious Gardens - plants, seedlings, cuttings, flowers. If you are interested in potting up some cuttings and/or plants from your garden please see Leanne. If you would like to donate some fresh flowers on the day, then again see Mrs Adam.

Room 4 The Toy Box/The Book store - old toys and books that are clean and in good condition. Room 4 students will be asking for donations from the whole school.

Room 5 The Cafe-Room 5 students will be serving food that is donated by PTA members and families.

Plus

PTA/Parents/Whanau HO HO HO Crafty Christmas Shop - donated handmade items made by staff and PTA members. If you enjoy creating and would like to donate something please see Jane or Becky Ahmadi.

PTA/Parents/Whanau Bake Table - donated baking by PTA and parents/whanau.

There will be food available to purchase for dinner such as nachos - meat and vegetarian options, hot dogs, and the Lions Food Truck (chips, battered sausages). Many thanks to the Lions for supporting our venture.

We will be asking for donations to make this venture a fundraising success. There will be a board outside Room I for parents/whanau to sign to offer their time and food items. The more families that help the less time the PTA will have to 'man' the stalls. PTA members would like to spend some time during the evening with their mokopuna/children and whanau/families too! If you sign your name for a specific time then your child will be helping you on the stall.

There will be a raffle, mystery bottle, toss the beanbag, hoop toss, painting concrete Lego men/carriages, train rides and bouncy castles and much more.

Our school **Christmas Choir** will be performing during the evening. Also we will have a **Santa's Grotto** (this will be a gold coin donation per child and per adult).

Each stall needs an adult to oversee its success (including the class stalls, although teachers will be there too) so we ask if parents/whanau can give half an hour to support a stall or activity game. A roster for each stall and activity game will be on display for you to sign a time that suits you. We greatly appreciate your support with this.

Finally, as stated we are asking for raffle prizes (could be a voucher from your workplace) items to sell, food donations and time and if everyone is willing to help out then this will be an outstanding evening of fun and a super financial reward for our school! We will use the raised funds for a brand new slide.

Any questions please contact Joy, Jane, Becky or Monique



Kia ora Parents/Whanau

This week we have created our 'Icky Sticky Sweet Shop' - the children are super excited about being a shop keeper for the Christmas Festival. Thank you to those parents that are going to make something for the children to sell in the shop.

The children's reading logs look outstanding. We can see how many books the children are reading and how often. Remember the more that your child reads the better reader he/she will become. Our focus in writing is to use sequence words, such as, first, then, next, after, finally. The students are having huge success experimenting with these words. Check out some photos of our amazing learners below!

Within maths the students are learning to identify fractions - half, quarter, third and one whole. We talk about equal sharing and the students made some card pizzas cut into quarters sharing the toppings evenly. Feel free to continue to discuss fractions at home to support your child's learning. Next week Grace (student teacher) will focus on volume, which will follow up on fraction knowledge, for example, half a cup, three quarters of a cup.

We are continuing with athletic training and fitness. Grace and Kyra are teaching a Science unit on solids, liquids and gases. They have some fun activities lined up. Thank you again for continuing to support your child's learning at home. Jane, Rachael, Grace and Kyra



Room

This week Room 2 has begun creating our candles for the Christmas festival! Thank you so much to Samantha Baldwin for donating lots of candle essentials. She also gave us careful instructions and tips and tricks to follow in order to create some great candles. We are very grateful. We have had so much fun creating the candles.





Room 3 Learning.

Kia ora Parents/Whānau.

This week due to Mrs Adam being in Australia for the week we have been lucky enough to have Mrs Esselbrugge and Miss Sutton (student teacher) in the class. We have had a fun week creating and making for our Christmas Festival stall.

This week we have planted a whole lot of plants to sell at our Glorious Gardens stall at our school Christmas Festival. We have also painted and decorated recycled cardboard rolls for us to move our plants into once they start to grow.

We are continuing to plan and write for our picture books that we are trying to create this term. Remember to continue to support your child's reading at home, we look forward to testing their progress during this term. For maths, year 3's are still working on fractions and have been looking at 'greater than' and 'less than'. Year 4's this week are learning about how to draw and read picture and bar graphs.



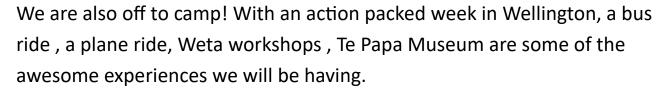
Kia ora

We are off to camp this week!

First day of camp is a day full of caving, rock climbing and abseiling with the team at Raglan Rock.

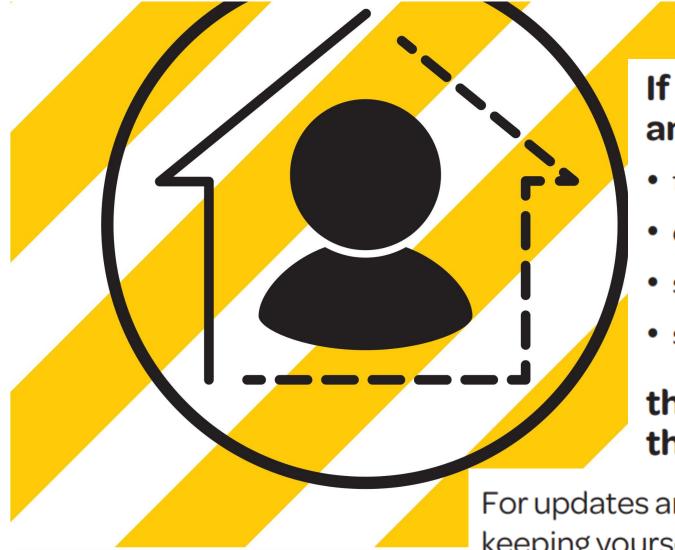
Day 2 students will be doing a variety of activities at the Karakariki Camp site including kayaking, BMX, slug guns, archery, and even a mudslide if we are lucky.

Day 3 will be our final day where we will all have a shared lunch and swim at a local waterfall.









If you are unwell and have any of these symptoms:

- fever
- cough
- shortness of breath
- sneezing or a runny nose

then please don't enter this building.

For updates and more information on keeping yourself safe, visit **Covid19.govt.nz**

New Zealand Government

Stay home if you are sick

School Reminders

School Times

8.30am	Classrooms Open
9.00am	School Starts
11.00-11.30am	Morning Tea
12.45-1.40pm	Lunch
3.00pm	School Finishes

Office Hours

8.30am—3.00pm office@rukuhia.school.nz 07 843 6967



Absentees

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, could you please call the office before 9.00am. If the phone is unattended please leave a message.

Signing In & Out

If you are late for school or need to take your children out of school for any reason during school time, **parents/caregivers must** come into the office and sign them out and then sign them back in if they are returning before school finishes.

School Bank Account

If you are wanting to make online payments to the school below are our bank account details:

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Please make sure you note the child's name and what the payment is for.

Uniform Supplier

Logo U2 are now able to offer your school uniform to be ordered directly from their online shop <u>www.logou2.com</u> A note from Logo U2: Please wash our shirts inside out. When printed apparel is turned inside out when washing the printing will last longer as it is not getting rubbed against other clothing.



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