



Newsletter

Term Three, Week Four



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Week 4 Newsletter Highlights

This week's newsletter is packed with important information about upcoming events.

We have an important notice regarding our upcoming School Production please read through these details.

There is an update about Ag Day, please be sure to note down these dates.

Finally, we'd love for you to join us for our fortnightly assembly tomorrow at 2:30 PM. All whānau are warmly welcome!

Important Dates

Term Three July 14th – September 19th	Term Four October 6th – December TBC	
<p>August 28th School Cross Country</p> <p>August 29th Teacher Only Day</p> <p>September 5th Lower Waipa School Cross Country</p> <p>September 16th-18th School Production</p> <p>September 19th Term three ends</p>	<p>October 6th Term four begins Year 7 & 8 Immunisations</p> <p>October 9th Ag Day</p> <p>October 17th Group Day</p> <p>October 24th School Photos</p> <p>October 27th Labour Day (Public Holiday)</p>	<p>November 7th LWS Athletics (Te Awamutu)</p> <p>November 11th – 14th Senior Camp</p> <p>November 28th LWS Junior Tabloids (Paterangi School)</p>

Rukuhia School Production Update

Wednesday, 17th September & Thursday, 18th September



Howdy Folks

Thanks to all those students who auditioned for a part in the school production.

Mrs O'Brien and I were very pleased with the effort that students put into their audition. I had to go away and write in a few more parts so that students could have the opportunity to say a line or two!

All Rukuhia Students will be in the production, and we will be sending out costume requirements over the next two weeks. Please do not go out and buy something as you might be able to borrow something from someone else or we may have something that your child could borrow from our school wardrobe.

Thanks to those families who have donated items – Sophie and Emma's nana, Arlo and his whanau, Cooper, Hunter and whanau, and Sam and Lizzie's nana.

We are still on the lookout to borrow the following items:

Play guns/rifles, bow and arrows, cowboy hats, deer/cow skins.

Many thanks for your support.

Jane and Rachael



- A huge thank you to Flynn, Zoe and whanau for donating some more blueberry plants and for planting them. Also, thanks for donating the light catchers.
- Another huge thank you to Ava, Eden Walker and whanau for donating the walnut tree. We will plant it near the edge of the field as it grows up to 7 meters!
- Thanks to Ngaire McKain for donating the art resources.
- Thank you to Ariyah-Rose and her whanau for donating all those amazing bits and pieces for our art activities.

Rukuhia School Ag Day 2025

Ag Day is coming

Ag Day will be held Thursday October 9th - first week of Term 4

Its time to start the Ag Day conversations and thinking about taking on a calf, lamb or kid.

Please have a look over the saving dates for calves, lambs and kid goats.

More information to come soon.

Saving Dates:

Kids

Early: 10th July – 19th August
Late: 20th August – 20th September

Lambs

Early: 10th July – 19th August
Late: 20th August – 20th September

Calves

Early: 10th June – 31st July
Late: 1st August – 20th September



Room 1 Newsletter

This term, Year 3 is getting creative with our inventions project! The students are busy planning their fantastic ideas and are now putting them into writing. We are learning to write explanations and are using a sequence to describe how our inventions work. We're so excited to start building our creations in the coming weeks. To help us, we would be grateful for any spare egg boxes, plastic bottle lids, or small containers that you might have lying around. Please send them in with your child. Thank you for your support!



Room 2

Room 2 is making the most of our new turf by engaging in a variety of training activities. We've been diligently practicing for cross country with both shuttles and interval training, which are excellent for building endurance and speed. Additionally, we've been testing out our fixed hoops, which adds another dynamic element to our workout routine. It's exciting to see everyone so committed and enthusiastic about improving their skills and fitness levels on the new turf.



Room 3's News

Stay in touch:

leanne.adam@rukuhia.school.nz

Upcoming Events

- Cross country training - if your child wants to wear sneakers for our training please send them to school everyday. We will be running when the weather lets us.
- Encourage your child to improve their fitness at home by doing laps of your property / section or street.

Reading

This term we are starting by reading a range of fiction and non fiction texts that require us to use decoding strategies. We also continue to work on our comprehension.

This Fortnight

Writing

We have 2 focuses this term. Letter writing and poetic writing. We are writing letters to a buddy in Room 5 for the first half of the term, getting to know the seniors. We are also going to explore writing poetry.

Maths

The year 4's are working on rounding numbers and then money. Year 5's have completed learning about fractions and are now looking at decimals.

Inquiry

Students are starting their own inquiry into a famous scientist or inventor. Questions have been shared in google classroom, which they should have answered by now. They will then be using that information to write a report and then follow this up with a poster.

Class Routines

Monday:

Book bags, Homework books come home with spelling words

Library day now Monday

Friday:

Book bags, Homework books back to school, poem book goes home

ROOM 4 CLASS NEWS

CLASS READING	The boy who harnessed the wind
WRITING	Procedural Writing
MATH	Percentages
INQUIRY	Inventions

Upcoming learning:

Bottle Collection for Rocket Launch Project!
We are on the lookout for 1.5L plastic bottles (soft drink or water bottles) for an exciting upcoming science activity! Each student will be launching their own bottle rocket, so we need one bottle per student.
If you have any 1.5L bottles at home, please rinse them and send them in with your child or drop them off at the classroom.
Thanks so much for your support!

A note from the teacher:

Classroom Update

In Writing, the class has been busy publishing our very own class recipe book! Once it's complete, we'll be holding a vote to decide which recipe we'd like to bake together. Each student has added their own creative flair to their dish, and we can't wait to see (and taste!) the final results. Huge thanks to the Bailey family who have already let us experience Blake's Jalapeno Icecream!

In Reading Comprehension, students have been diving into texts related to our inquiry topic: inventions. This has sparked some fascinating discussions, helped build our vocabulary and sharpen our comprehension skills. We're seeing fantastic growth in both the depth and length of student responses.

In Maths, my Year 6s have truly blown me away! Their understanding of fractions, decimals, and percentages is coming together beautifully. For example, when given a fraction like $\frac{7}{25}$, they can confidently convert it to a decimal and then to a percentage—such a great demonstration of their growing knowledge.

In PE, a big congratulations goes to Cooper and his assistant coach Blake, who took on the challenge of running a Ripper Rugby game with some students who had never played before. They did an incredible job breaking it down and teaching at their classmates' level. The result? A group of students absolutely buzzing with excitement about the sport!

Warm regards,
Ngā mihi,
Mrs. H

The class has been having all sorts of fun learning sculpting techniques with Mrs. E!



Stay in touch :

Please allow for 24 hours for a response.



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AN INSIDE LOOK AT **ROOM5**

Room 5 Learns to Lead the Future

This term, the students of Room 5 have been exploring the big questions that shape our world and their future. When asked, "What do you **not** want to see in the world when you're the ones making the decisions?" their answers were powerful: poverty, climate change, war, animal cruelty, mental health struggles, homelessness, pollution, and a lack of unity between groups with different beliefs.

Each week, we take a deep dive into one of these pressing global issues through rich reading and writing experiences. The goal? To not just learn, but to lead.

Each student will choose an issue they feel passionate about and develop an initiative, something they can do to make a real difference. This might look like experiencing poverty through a day of fasting, designing a prototype to combat pollution, organising a regular rubbish clean-up crew, or creating a child-led project that tackles mental health through the eyes of tamariki. For some, it might be as simple, but impactful as replacing single-use plastics in their lunchbox with sustainable alternatives.

Through this journey, Room 5 is discovering that even the smallest actions can spark meaningful change. These students aren't just learning about the future, they're shaping it.

ROOM 6 NEWS

Letters for the Week

Week 4: l d f v k
Word Family: tub/rub
Week 5: k l r j b
Word Family: let/get

I have been checking your child's home learning book and I have noticed that the majority of Room 6 students are practicing their spelling words regularly so thank you for supporting your child with this home learning task. Remember I test spelling at the end of each term.

Hopefully you have all met Callum Robinson, a student teacher from the Polytech. Callum will be in Room 6 on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Jane Coles

Update



Kia ora Parents/Whanau
We have had so much fun on our new astro turf. We are developing our fitness ready for cross country. Thank you to the Board of Trustees, the PTA and the Ngahinapouri and Ohaupo Lions for supporting this. A huge thank you to Mr Drury for organising the laying of it.



Curriculum

Reading -

who/where/when/why/how
Retelling a story in sequence and describing characters.

Writing - drawing and talking about traditional stories and cultural narratives. Writing describing words.

Spelling - recording time words, such as, first, then, later, after.

Maths - Number knowledge and number strategies with a focus on number bonds to 10.

Health & PE - Cross Country & Pause/Breathe/Smile

The Arts - creating book characters and story maps around traditional stories.

Maori - daily practice of our karakia, commands and simple questions. Understanding some cultural narratives.

Latest Photographs

Room 6 students are continuing to explore traditional stories by identifying the same and/or different features. They are transferring this knowledge into their story writing and they are acting various characters using puppets. My goal is for students to be able to retell ten stories this year.

We really enjoyed making gingerbread men and gingerbread women. They tasted delicious.



Rukuhia School PTA

Tired of your child's school uniform frequently being misplaced and ending up in the lost property?

Take a look at Rukuhia School PTA's latest fundraiser and give Precious Labels a try!

Upcoming Events

TBD

PTA meeting

Contact the PTA

pta@rukuhia.school.nz



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- 6 See the 'Fundraiser' tab on the website for more Info

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Forward this website url to your family and friends!

Questions?

Please email us at - info@preciouslabels.co.nz

School Reminders

Absentees

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, could you please call or email 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:

12 3152 0019783 00

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

School Times

8.30am

9.00am

11.00-11.30am

12.45-1.40pm

3.00pm

Office/Classrooms Open

School Starts

Morning Tea

Lunch

School Finishes

Office Hours

8.30am—3.00pm

office@rukuhia.school.nz

07 843 6967

Friday School Lunch Menu

All orders are cash only.

Orders are to be placed in the school office on Friday morning
between 8.30am – 9am

Mince & Cheese Pie	\$6.00
Steak Pie	\$6.00
Sausage Roll	\$5.00
Mince Savoury	\$3.00
Chicken Naan Wrap	\$5.00
Ham Wrap	\$5.00
Chicken Roll	\$5.00
Ham Roll	\$5.00
Chocolate Chip Muffin	\$3.00
Blueberry Muffin	\$3.00
Chicken Sushi (4 pieces)	\$7.00
Chicken Sushi (6 Pieces)	\$11.00
Salmon Sushi (6 Pieces)	\$12.00
Mini Chicken Sushi Stick	\$ 4.00
Mini Chicken Stick Combo 1 x Crispy Chicken 1 x Teriyaki Chicken	\$7.00
Mini Cucumber Sushi Stick	\$4.00

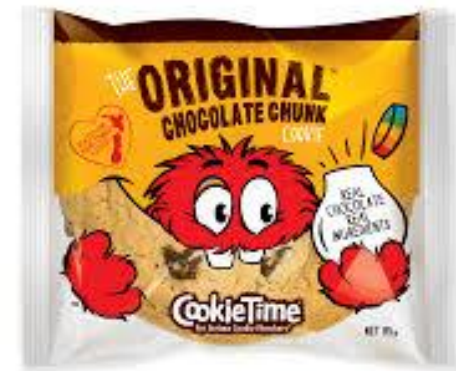
Lunches

Turkish Meal (Kebab Stop) \$10

Choose from:

Chicken, Lamb or Combination Meat and up to
two sauces.

Includes a salad of lettuce and carrot.



Cookies \$2

Uniform



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**Rukuhia School
Pants
\$45**



**Rukuhia Brim
Bucket Hat
\$15**

Logo U2 are now able to offer your school uniform to be ordered directly from their online shop www.logou2.com

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.

We have a selection of sizes at the office for you to try on before purchasing online.

Rukuhia School also has a supply of second-hand uniforms that are available for \$10 each. Cash only, to be paid at the office.

Uniform

SCHOOL SHOES

- Plain Black School Shoes – with black laces
- Plain Black Velcro School Shoes
- Plain Black School Sandals
- Plain Black Socks

BOYS AND GIRLS EXAMPLES OF SCHOOL SHOES / SANDALS- PLAIN BLACK



Boys Classic



Girls Classic



Velcro



Classic School Sandal

REGULATION HAT

Compulsory in terms 1 and 4

Available for purchase through the office or
Logo U2



Above are examples of what is considered a 'School Shoe'. Slight variations and brands are acceptable.

URGENT DOG RESCUE

All pups here need urgent help! Are you able to give one of these dogs a new home?

New owners must be prepared to register, micro-chip, vaccinate and desex the dog.
Your property must also be fenced to dog-proof standard.

WOODY



Woody is a 1 year old bulldog mix medium pup. He is a little shy at first but once he comes out of his shell he is happy and affectionate.

ANDY



Andy is a lab x shar pei approx 6 months old. He is looking for a lot of love and some owners he can trust. He is playful when he comes out of his shell.

TITAN



Titan is a bearded x. He is 3 years old and looking for a loving home.

PIPPA



Pippa is a mixed breed, approx. 14 month old. She has unique colours, and is sweet and playful.

For more information, or if you can offer any of these beautiful dogs a forever home, fill out the online form waipadcc.govt.nz/dogadoption or contact: 0800 924 723 | 027 584 7073 | aco@waipadcc.govt.nz



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KIAH



Kiah is approx. 2 years old. She is a foxy mix breed, small to medium sized pup and very affectionate.

LACEY



Lacey is a 2 year old small-medium mix. She is shy and nervous so is looking for a patient and loving home, who can show her the world isn't as scary.

ELLIE



Ellie and Dobbie are approx 1 years old mixed breed, maybe American bulldog x dalmatian. Very fun loving and playful but also sweet natured and sensitive.

DOBBIE



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TILLY



Tilly is a 5 month old mix breed medium pup. She is happy with a lovely nature. She is a smart girl and loves food.

PUP1



PUP2



These pups are a Lab/Collie mix looking for a loving and caring forever home.

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