

RIVERDALE SCHOOL

Newsletter



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GREETINGS TO ALL. KIA ORA. KONICHIWA. TALOFA LAVA

Well, what a busy and creative term we have had. The production was an absolute highlight of our terms work. The children spent time exploring and experiencing all that goes into performing a production on a big stage. It is the first time that our staff have fully choreographed, costumed and produced our show, including script writing. The sound tracks were laid down at the Stomach, the music for the teams singing was played by staff members, these opportunities added another exciting element to the production. I think our staff and the students did an amazing job. Our thanks to all the people who supported us in this endeavor, including our community for your attendance on Tuesday night.

BUILDING PROJECTS

We are very excited to begin the next phase of our building upgrades. The Board of Trustees, Project Manager, Principal and some staff have spent months planning the building changes to meet Ministry requirement for Modern Learning Environments. More importantly to make changes that support the collaborative teaching and learning practice we believe in. The building process will take at least a term and will mean that part of Poutama and Pounamu Atawhai will be out of their space whilst it is upgraded. Pounamu Atawhai will relocate and set up their learning environment in the hall. Poutama will use the remaining available space in Poutama along with Ara Toi. We can assure you that teaching and learning will continue as usual during this time. Buildings enhance our capacity to work together they do not define it.

TUKUTUKU PANELS

Tukutuku panels are now in place. They are our Te Puawai head and body band design. These are a classic representation of chevrons, triangles and diamante's, which allude to the ideas of lofty mountains (triangles), protection (chevrons), readiness and excellence (diamonds). The diamond pattern in particular is important and it connects to an old whakatauki (proverb) "E kore te patiki e hoki ki tana puehu". This proverb is about taking advantage of opportunities when they arise.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

As much as we all love our assemblies and the sharing of work, we will not be able to do this as a whole school next term. Our hall will be the space for Pounamu Atawhai to set up and work from. I am sure that the team blogs and other forms of communication will continue to keep you informed through out Term 3.



To our new students:

Madeleine Dunbar, Jackson Kingston,
Mack Moocarme, Eva Standish

We wish you all happy days at Riverdale School

LEARNING CONVERSATION MEETINGS

These meetings are about enhancing powerful connections between home and school. We have changed the format to a learning conversation. As the name implies they are a conversation and opportunity to share and celebrate progress.

SCHOOL INTERVIEWS

The bookings available are for:

Tuesday 31 July 3.15 - 6.00pm

Wednesday 1 August 3.15 - 6.00pm

Thursday 2 August 3.15 - 5.30pm

Please make a booking to see your
child's teacher online at

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Enter the event code **3mp42** then enter parent's full name, email address and student's name. Select room/teacher, enter 'Go'. Select a time slot and your booking is complete. Any issues please contact the school office and they can book online for you. We will put a link on the School App.

SCHOOL REMINDER'S

Your child's safety is important to us. Please communicate with the school office if your child is going to be absent or late. In the event of school finishing early, all students need to be collected from school. If alternative arrangements are made please express written or verbal permission to the classroom teacher. In the event a student is going to be late to school, please still follow the absentee procedure informing the school the reason. When returning the child to school please make sure you are signing the student in at the office.

School Grounds
No bikes or scooters are to be ridden in the school grounds when children are arriving or leaving school. Please walk all bikes and scooters until you are outside of the school grounds to keep all our community safe.

RIGHT CHOICE BOX CAR DRIVE-IN MOVIE DAY

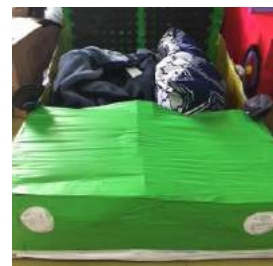
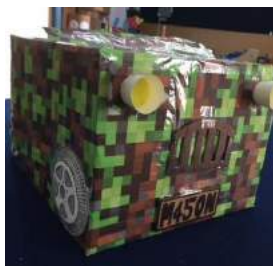
Our end of term Right Choice Day was so wonderfully supported. We were blown away by the obvious time and effort put into making the cars, trucks, and buses. We have heard so many wonderful comments about the quality time families spent together on some of the creations.

Children and their Whanau produced some outstanding displays.

From 4WD's, Buses, Race Cars, Family Sedans, Mini's, Buses EMS vehicles to cars with real tyres, real lights and drink and snack holders.

The popcorn flowed and students enjoyed the Box-Car Drive-in Movie.

A great way to end the term.



FROM THE COMMUNICATION TEAM...

TE AO WHAKAPAPA

On Tuesday the 3rd of July, the children of Riverdale School went to the Regent on Broadway to perform Te Ao Whakapapa, our School Production.

The production has been our major focus for the term. It started with Pa Jack visiting teams and sharing a Maori legend with them.

A group of Year 5 and 6 students, then worked with Miss Bradshaw and Pa Jack to write the script. In Te Ao Whakapapa, Koro comes to babysit the grandchildren and they spend a delightful evening telling stories.

Auditions were held by Mrs Harland for the main cast, and the production began to take shape.

Over the term, teams worked on acting out their legends and learning their songs and dances.

The main cast, our musical teachers (Mr Carter, Mr Pike, Mr G, Hannah and Miss Denniston) and Nga Tewhatewha traveled to The Stomach Recording Studio, to record the backing track and main speaking parts.

Back at school, the students and teachers made the costumes and props and we are grateful for the parents who helped us too.

We had a full days rehearsal at the Regent on Tuesday and were proud to share our production that night.

Thank you to all 1022 people who came to support us. We really enjoyed being on stage and having the opportunity to share our learning and love of performing with you.

Te Ao Whakapapa, was a great way to share with you where we belong ... ā ake tonu - now & forever.

Hamish Lunn
Comms Team



PTA WEDNESDAY LUNCH MENU

The PTA are trialling a new menu option along with the Pizza option for Terms 3 and 4.
 First order day is Tuesday 24 July, delivery Wednesday 25 July.
Lunch orders will need to be placed for all options now on a TUESDAY, for a Wednesday lunch.

RIVERDALE SCHOOL PTA

Sushi and Pizza Wednesdays

Term 3 & 4 2018

Riverdale School PTA offers two lunch menus. All orders need to be placed for all options on the TUESDAY for a Wednesday lunch. Please ensure that you have the correct money enclosed in an envelope and placed in your classroom Lunch Order Container before 9.00am.

Sushi Mama option:

8 pieces per mini pack - \$7.00 per pack

Salmon Roll – Raw salmon & Avocado (gluten & dairy free)

Teriyaki Chicken – Chicken & Avocado (gluten & dairy free)

Vege Roll – Avocado, Carrot, Cucumber, mixed veges & mayo/sesame dressing

Crumbed Chicken – Chicken, Carrot, Cucumber Aioli/BBQ sauce

Dominos Pizza options:

Pizza \$3.00

Flavours available are: Hawaiian, Meatlovers & Cheese

(split orders are not available)

Cookie Time Cookie \$1.50

Juicies \$1.00

Pizza Combo (Pizza, Juicie & Cookie) \$5.50



****Order Tuesday – Eat Wednesday****

NETBALL MANAWATU FESTIVAL DAY

Riverdale Weka celebrated an amazing season with a fun festival day.



INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

As usual at this time of year our Year 6 students start to look at options for their Intermediate years

The following are the dates and days for the open days, should you wish to visit with your child.

In the past Monrad Intermediate has held a roadshow at school. On Tuesday 31 July, they will bus our children to Monrad Intermediate as we do not have the hall available.

Monrad Intermediate School Open Day

Tuesday 7 August 6.00 - 7.30pm

If you would like to visit Monrad Intermediate with your child during a school day, please make an appointment with Matt McCallum principal@monrad.school.nz or 06 357 9777.

Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School Open Day

Thursday 16 August 9.00am - 3.00pm

Enrolments open 16 August

Enrolments close 14 September

Out of Zone Ballot 21 September

Longburn Adventist College Open Day

Wednesday 25 July

Day Tours 9.30am - 2.15pm

Evening Tours 6.00 - 7.30pm

Ross Intermediate School Open Day

to be advised

Term Dates

Events also on the Parent Calendar via the School App and on the School Website;

WEEK ONE TERM THREE

Monday 23 July Start of Term 3

WEEK TWO TERM THREE

Wednesday 1 August School Photos

WEEK SIX TERM THREE

Monday 27 August -
 Wednesday 29 August Senior Ski Tukino Camp 1

Wednesday 29 August -
 Friday 31 August Senior Ski Tukino Camp 2

School closes for Term Three at 3pm
 Friday 28 September 2018

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We believe it is important to prepare our children for a lifetime of sustainable living. Here you will find information and tips provided by our Enviro Explorers team to help reduce our environmental footprint.



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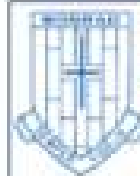
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