

# RIVERDALE SCHOOL

## Newsletter



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**GREETINGS TO ALL. KIA ORA.  
KONICHIWA. TALOFA LAVA**

**ME WHAKĀRO  
RANGATIRA**  
THINK LIKE A LEADER

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## NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS DAY

National Young Leaders Day is an annual leadership event held in major cities around New Zealand. Since 2001, over 110,000 students have been empowered to become leaders.

The day aims to develop student leadership and be both inspirational and practical.

Today's young people are the future leaders of our nation and our Riverdale representatives were a great example of this.

## RED FERN INTERSCHOOL ORIENTEERING COMPETITION

On Friday 18 May Oliver, Alannah, Hannah and Toby represented Riverdale school at the Red Fern Orienteering Competition held throughout the Esplanade.

It was an individual event and the way they approached the challenge was simply outstanding.

A very enjoyable and challenging Morning.

Our placings were Alannah 2nd, Hannah 5th, Oliver 6th and Toby 10th out of large fields in the primary section.



## RIVERDALE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY FRIDAY 1 JUNE



The school cross country is held every year at Waitoetoe Park and the children in each team have already started their training during the school day.

Information for the day will be posted on the School App.



To our students:

Cooper Lowe, Joseph Tanatiu, Lochy Hiscox  
We wish you happy days at Riverdale School

## RIVERDALE SCHOOL WALKATHON 2018 TUESDAY 29 MAY

The annual Riverdale School Walkathon is this coming Tuesday. Sponsorship forms were sent home last week. Hopefully the children are all busy gaining sponsors from family and friends to support this major fundraiser.

All parents and caregivers are welcome to join us during the Walkathon.

As long as the weather is good enough to walk in with a raincoat this event will go ahead. If not then the event will be postponed. Walkathon forms and money can be brought into the school hall from Wednesday 30 May with final collection day being Friday 8 June. To be eligible for the prize draws all money must be in by this date. Prizegiving will be held at the assembly on Friday 8 June.

## NZEI MEETING THURSDAY 28 JUNE



Dear Parents,

You may be aware of the nationwide crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers.

While there are many more children coming into the school system, there are not enough new teachers being trained.

Urgent and significant changes are needed to ensure that the teaching profession can attract the people it needs and to ensure class sizes do not start to increase.

On Thursday June 28, the teachers from this school will be attending a NZEI Te Riu Roa paid union meeting regarding the Kua Tae Te Wā - It's Time campaign. The campaign aims to free teachers to teach and principals to lead, by getting the additional support and staff that schools need. The meetings will allow our teachers to discuss how the Ministry of Education has responded to changes that the union is seeking.

Our teaching staff are members of NZEI and legally entitled to attend this meeting. The teachers will be leaving school on, Thursday June 28, to attend their paid union meeting which starts at 2pm.

I strongly encourage parents to make arrangements to pick their child(ren) up from school by 1.00pm on Thursday June 28. I appreciate that this creates some inconvenience for families.

However, I encourage you to support your teachers as they strive to achieve the changes which will safeguard quality education for all children and ensure we make teaching an attractive profession for graduates.

Anyone who may need help with arrangements should contact the office by 9.00am Wednesday 27 June.

Regards Debra

# Principal's Awards

## PIAKO TAHI

Jack Symonds for having a great attitude towards all learning situations.  
Kairo Morgan for having an amazing attitude to all areas of learning.  
Madison Oppatt for being a great self manager and a kind friend in Piako Tahi.

## PIAKO RUA

Kyan Karauria-Hare for working hard to achieve your learning goals.  
Amelia Belk for being a positive and thoughtful class member.  
Oliver Small for well deserved achievements in literacy.

## PAE AKE

Kaleb Walker - Gray for bringing a positive attitude to everything you do.

Joel Davidson for your stunning improvement with your phonics.  
Hareem Mughal for independently managing your 'Must Do' tasks.

## POUTAMA

Micah Cheang for being an excellent role model for others.  
Molly Williams for showing great leadership when being our Kaea and starting our Maori songs.  
Cate Fairey for continually using fabulous vocabulary and adding detail in your writing.

## POUNAMU ATAWHAI

Isaac Buttar for your determination and skill when building our latest robot.  
Zarah Leipst for working hard on your multiplication tables.  
Luke Giddens for your dedicated independent learning, and trying new things.  
Charlotte Carter for displaying outstanding leadership skills.

## FROM THE COMMUNICATION TEAM...

### TE TAKARO

The Te Takaro shed is a place where students can learn how to be creative with loads of supplies like tyres, pool noodles and much more.

This is the chance for anyone from Piako Tahi to Pounamu Atawhai to get creative and become someone who loves to remake and create a beautiful piece of art!

Here are some photos of some of the art supplies you can create with.

- Kairi



## ENVIRO EXPLORERS CORNER!!!

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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## SCHOOL OFFICE

Please ensure you have updated any change in contact details for yourself and all listed caregivers and alternative contacts. This includes phone numbers, email addresses and emergency contact details.

Also please notify us if any change to medical records that we have or should have on file.

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

There are two options available for school lunches at Riverdale School.

Wednesday the PTA do a pizza lunch day.

Friday the Four Square offer a lunch order.

Price lists and how to order are available on our School app though 'Links'.

## Term Dates

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

### WEEK FIVE TERM TWO

Tuesday 29 May Walkathon  
Friday 1 June School Cross Country

### WEEK SIX TERM TWO

Monday 4 June Queen's Birthday - school closed  
Tuesday 5 June Postponement day for school Cross Country  
Friday 8 June Pae Ake Assembly at 12.30pm

### WEEK SEVEN TERM TWO

Wednesday 13 June Interschool Cross Country

### WEEK NINE TERM TWO

Thursday 28 June NZEI Meeting - Collect students at 1pm  
Board of Trustees Meeting at 5.30pm

### WEEK TEN TERM TWO

Tuesday 3 July School Production - Regent Theatre  
Friday 6 July Right Choice Day  
End of Term 2

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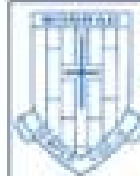
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