

# RIVERDALE SCHOOL

## Newsletter



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## KIA ORA, NIN HAO

We welcome the ERO team into the school next week to view and engage in all the wonderful things we do at Riverdale school.

We look forward to their visit.

Our learners are demonstrating their capacity to self-manage, take risks and make great learning decisions.

## IT'S TIME YOUR CHILDREN HAD THE EDUCATION THEY DESERVE



Primary teacher and Principal members have voted to hold a week of rolling one-day strikes from 12 - 16 November.

Schools in the Manawatu are set to strike.

**Tuesday 13 November 2018 Riverdale School will be closed.**

No staff will be on site that day.

Parents / Caregivers will need to have arrangements in place for their children.

We currently have a growing teacher shortage crisis already showing itself in our schools, which looks set to worsen with growing student numbers and less people training to become teachers.

Our students come to school to learn all the skills and abilities that they'll need to grow up healthy, happy and productive in the 21st century. Our nation can afford to ensure every child receives the education they need to succeed in life, and for every educator to be trusted and resourced to make that a reality.

As we go through negotiations for the Primary Teachers' Collective Agreement this year, we'll be standing together for our students and for an education system that values, attracts and retains the amazing teachers who are entrusted with the education of our children.

## RIPPA RUGBY IS UNDERWAY

Rippa Rugby got underway yesterday in blustery, but warm conditions. The students played with great teamwork for our first game of the season. A big thank you to the Awatapu Students for refereeing the games as well as a big thank you to all our wonderful coaches.



To our new students:

Ayla Elgharably, Adam Fakir Achnan, Charlie Cobb-Albrett

We wish you all happy days at Riverdale School

## CHRISTMAS AT CACCIA BIRCH

The Riverdale School Choir has been invited to participate in the Christmas at Caccia Birch. Held at Caccia Birch homestead on Friday 7 December.

This year there will be two choirs, junior (Yr2/3) and senior (Yr4-6) choir. We have wonderful numbers this year. Please come and support our two choirs perform and enjoy all the other Christmas activities on offer.



## SCHOOL GROUNDS SAFETY

Please help us keep our children safe by insisting that your child WALKS their bike or scooter in the school grounds before and after school. Unfortunately another child has been hit. We appreciate your support in keeping your child off their bike or scooter, until they are out of the school grounds.

# Principal's Awards

## *Piako Tahī*

Cooper Lowe for being an excellent role model to others.  
Courtney Stretch for showing kindness to others and being a great role model.  
April Mclean for working hard to be a good self manager on the mat.

## *Piako Rua*

Keira McIntyre for being a competent Piako Rua Ariki  
Kaito Leonard-Jones for competence in Literacy  
Ava Thomas for being brave

## *Pae Ake*

Kyah Taiaroa for being an outstanding self manager in Pae Ake.  
Sofya Kvach for consistently completing her work to a high standard.

Charlotte Grundel for using excellent strategies in mathematics.  
*Poutama*

Aidan Mace for being an entertaining writer.

Riley Watson for showing improvement with his writing.

Tayla George for an improved attitude and effort towards her learning.

## *Pounamu Atawhai*

Logan Mulcahy for your leadership efforts and reaching Level 4.

Jacob Sturm for demonstrating increased resilience.

Isaac Petre for outstanding efforts in Athletics training.

Maxwell Rough for having an amazing attitude to all areas of learning.

# PTA NEWS

## **Reusable Bags - \$1 each**

We are selling Navy or Lime Green reusable bags (large/unlabelled). If you wish to make a purchase, place your order in an envelope with your child's name, class & order details. Place in the marked box at the office and your order will go home with your Child each Friday. The Bags will be available all of Term 4. All sale proceeds will go towards the School Beautification. (If you would like to view them, please see the office.)

## **Pie Drive 2018**

Pie orders have been completed & New World has the making of 2000+ pies underway.

Pie pick up is Tuesday 20 November, 2.30-3.45pm. Your orders will be bulk packed in bags or boxes. If you wish to purchase one of our reusable bags \$1 each, they will be available on the day.

Prize for each age group for most pies sold will be presented in assembly Friday 23 November.

Thank you to all who have supported this fundraiser.

## **Disco**

A "MASQUERADE" Disco will be held on Thursday 6 December. \$5.00 entry includes glowstick, drink & chips.

Y 1-3 – 5.15pm-6.30pm

Y 4-6 – 7.00pm-8.30pm

Design your own Mask & be in for a spot prize!

## **Pizza/Sushi lunches**

Order Tuesday for lunch on the Wednesday, will continue for the rest of Term 4. Refer to app 'links' for lunch options.

# Term Dates

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

## **WEEK FIVE TERM FOUR**

Tuesday 13 November  
NZEI Strike Day

## **WEEK SIX TERM FOUR**

Wednesday 21 November  
School Athletics Day  
Friday 23 November

Pounamu Atawhai Assembly at 12.30pm

## **WEEK SEVEN TERM FOUR**

Wednesday 28 November  
Interschool Athletics

## **WEEK EIGHT TERM FOUR**

Thursday 6 December  
Rippa Rugby semi-finals  
Riverdale PTA Disco  
Friday 7 December  
Certificate Assembly  
Christmas at Caccia Birch  
Sunday 9 December  
Rippa Rugby Finals Day

## **WEEK NINE TERM FOUR**

Monday 10 December  
Te Puawai Concert and Hangi  
Friday 14 December  
Right Choice Day

## **WEEK TEN TERM FOUR**

Monday 17 December  
Year 6 Leavers Dinner  
Tuesday 18 December  
Last day of Term Four

**Term Four ends Tuesday 18 December 2018**

**Term One 2019 starts Monday 4 February 2019**

# ENVIRO EXPLORERS CORNER

**THE ELDER FLOWER TREES ARE OUT IN BLOOM.  
CHECK OUT THIS DELICIOUS PLANT TO PLATE RECIPE  
AND MAKE YOUR OWN ELDER FLOWER CORDIAL.**

## Elderflower Cordial

### Ingredients

20 Clusters of elderflowers

2 lemons

1.8 kg sugar

1.2 litres water

4 tbsp. citric acid

### Instructions

1. Give the flowers a good shake to get rid of any little bugs that may be clinging to them.
2. Place the elderflowers in a large glass bowl.
3. Use a potato peeler to peel the lemons, try to avoid the pith (the white bit under the skin)
4. Slice the rest of the lemons and add this to the bowl with the lemon zest.
5. Bring the sugar and water to the bowl in a large pot on the stove, stir constantly.
6. Remove from the heat, stir in the citric acid and pour over the elderflowers.
7. Cover the bowl with a clean tea towel and leave at room temperature for up to 24 hours.
8. Strain through a plastic sieve lined with muslin and pour into bottles.
9. Serve

**Monrad School Orientation Day Thursday 22nd November 9.15am-11am.**

All enrolled students are invited to an orientation day to familiarise students to our school. We would like parents to drop off students from 9am at Monrad.

Monrad will return all students by bus to their schools at 11.30am.





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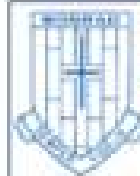
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