

## KIA ORA - GREETINGS

Thank you for your attendance last night at our Twilight Community evening.

The weather was wonderful and it was a real pleasure for us all to connect with whanau and family of the tamariki.

An event like this takes everyone contributing and participating to make it a success.

In particular thank you to Jared for his set-up skills and M.C, Lynette for her superb organisation skills and our kind sponsors. See the collage on page 3.



## TE AO MAORI

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi Engari, he toa takitini.

*My successes are not mine alone, they are ours - the greatest successes we will have are from working together*



## GREASY CHAIN TRUST BIKE WINNERS

A big thankyou to the Greasy Chain Trust and Steve Stannard for Riverdale School's new bikes!

The Riverdale community got right behind the competition by taking photos of their children at the He Ara Kotahi Bridge at the end of last year.

A big thankyou to Mrs Mabey for all her mahi during that time by getting our children in school active on their bikes.

The school now has 27 near new bikes that will be used in various events and activities throughout the year.



## BIKES AND SCOOTERS

If you bring your bike or scooter to school, start good practise by locking your property.

## RIVERDALE SCHOOL POLICIES

A friendly reminder that all of our policies are available to the community via School Docs website.

Username: riverdale

Password: empowering

## STUDENT LEADERSHIP

### PEER MEDIATORS

The Peer Mediators are off to a flying start, watching over our junior students, helping to solve issues in the playground and promoting Peace.

They operate in five teams at morning tea where they are developing the skills of conflict resolution aiming to spread this throughout the school.



### ROAD PATROL

Our new Year 6 Patrol Team have been keeping our families safe as they cross Slacks Road and the busy car park. We can help them do the best job they can by being patient, listening to their calls and using the crossing as a model to the children. These have been happening which is pleasing to observe. A reminder that we NEVER walk up the driveway entrance as it is unsafe for pedestrians. Only use our pathway along the fence for coming in and out of school and keep all children, toddlers included, off bikes and scooters for everyone's safety.



### COMMUNICATION TEAM

20 students were selected in 2019 to make up our Communication Team for 2020. They will lead the school in many events and will develop the skills of high level communication through various formats.



### PE SHED

Thank you to the wonderful well organised group of students who oversee the PE shed gear and storage systems.

A variety of gear is available to all students during break time.







## PLANT TO PLATE

Last week the first group of Pounamu Atawhai students excitedly put their aprons on and got their spades ready for Plant to Plate. We cooked and prepared a colourful, healthy menu. Including, fried rice (with cauliflower, not rice), cheese and broccoli fritters and much more. Then the groups swapped and learnt how to feed and prepare the soil for planting. Adding the cocoa (compost), cinnamon (blood and bone) and icing sugar (lime) YUM... After we planted all sorts of yummy things, (radishes, beetroot, silverbeet, lettuce and more).

We said our Karakia and tucked into our healthy feast.

Thanks so much to the volunteers and the parent help.

Plant to Plate will be back in week 4 and 5 for the rest of Pounamu Atawhai.



## MANAWATU RUGBY



The Riverdale School Rippa teams had a visit from two players involved in Manawatu Rugby this week. They had an afternoon of games and skills drills. Our visitors were quite impressed with both the skill and attitude of all players.

Riverdale School will be attending the Manawatu Rippa Tournament on the 31st March.



## RIVERDALE SCHOOL PTA NEWS

### PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on Tuesday 24th March 2020 at 7.30pm in Ara Toi followed by a PTA meeting.

All parents welcome.

### We Need You!

Calling all Parents, Grandparents and Caregivers

The PTA family is in desperate need of some help. We have a fantastic committee which meets twice a term to plan and decide on fund raising ideas to support the schools' vision.

**BUT, we need more helpers.**

We would like to see more members on the committee, however if you are unable to commit to this, just helping out with some of our fundraising events behind the scenes would be a great help.

Each week we have a roster of volunteers who collate the pizza / sushi lunches for that day, if you could spare an hour or two to help once every two or three weeks it would be much appreciated.

Term 4 is Rippa Rugby which is a large school event. We continuously need help running this event and its tasks including cooking the BBQ, help in the shop selling sausages, juicies, cookies, etc.

If you can assist with any of these events, please contact:

Erin - 027 944 5750 or

Jo - 027 448 7003

We would love to hear from you!

## Term Dates

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

### WEEK FIVE TERM ONE

Tuesday 3 March Kanohi ki te Kanohi  
1.30pm - 6.00pm  
School will close at 1.00pm

Wednesday 4 March Kanohi ki te Kanohi  
3.15pm - 6.00pm

### WEEK SIX TERM ONE

Monday 9 March School Swimming Sports  
Wednesday 11 March Interschol Triathlon Event  
Friday 13 March Interschol Swimming Sports

### WEEK SEVEN TERM ONE

Wednesday 18 March Weetbix Tryathlon  
Friday 20 March Teachers Only Day  
School is closed for the day.

### WEEK 8 TERM ONE

### WEEK 9 TERM ONE

Tuesday 31 March Rippa Rugby Tournament  
Wednesday 1 April Epro 8 Regionals

### WEEK TEN TERM ONE

Thursday 9 April Last day of Term 1 2020

Term 2 starts Tuesday 28 April 2020  
Anzac Day observed Monday 27 April 2020 - Public Holiday



# TWILIGHT COMMUNITY NIGHT

What a fabulous night. It was wonderful to have so many of our Riverdale whanau join us last night. The sun was out and there was plenty to do. By donating money to the NZ Fire Service our community raised \$182.20 for the NZ Cancer Society.

Congratulations to the following children who have won a ride to school in the fire truck - Koni-Leigh Liuvaie, Alana McIntyre, Kate Pitchforth and Holly Peters.

*A special thank you to 4 Square Maxwells Line, PTA, Feekery Painters & Decorators, Lynden Noakes, Damien Mulcahy, NZ Fire Service and our new Community Constable AJ for their help with the evening.*

