



KIA ORA - GREETINGS

I hope you all had a fabulous Easter Break and enjoyed some family time. Next week sees the final week of the term, and what a busy term it has been! The children have experienced some incredible learning opportunities both inside and outside of the classroom. I hope you have enjoyed viewing some of these through the newsletter.

RIPPA RUGBY CHAMPIONS

Huge congratulations to all teams who competed in the Manawatu Rippa Competition on Wednesday.

A total of 37 teams played Rippa all day to try and claim the Manawatu Cup.

Riverdale Green went through undefeated and won the final against Cloverlea 16-3.

This is the 3rd straight year winning the big tournament.

The dedication to training and working hard to achieve personal goals by these teams are the foundation to their success.



BASKETBALL HOOPS

The Riverdale School PTA are proud to present our new Basketball Hoops that were installed last week.

This has been quite a process for the PTA team during Covid interruptions.

The new court surface is planned to be laid in the coming weeks depending on weather.

Thank you to both our amazing PTA and community for this great asset to our school. The courts are very busy during the day and we now have a huge number of children improving their skills and wanting to give Basketball a go on a Thursday afternoon!



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PLANT TO PLATE



Pounamu Atawhai's second plant to plate group had an awesome day. We got to harvest some vegetables in the school vege garden and taste freshly picked basil! The students prepared, cooked and ate some delicious food. We even got to make a cute Easter gift!





EPPro8 Challenge

Congratulations to the Riverdale Rockets for making it through to the Manawatu Grand Final next week. They made it through a tough Semi Final consisting of 12 teams showing outstanding determination and skill.

The Grand Final will be held at Monrad Intermediate next Thursday 15 April.



BOOK RETURN REMINDER

With the end of the term approaching, it would be a good time to gather all the library books and school readers you have at home and get them returned. Thanks!

Term Dates

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

WEEK ELEVEN TERM ONE

Friday 16 April Right Choice Day / PTA Sausage Sizzle Lunch
Last day of Term One 2021

WEEK ONE TERM TWO

Monday 3 May Term Two Starts
Wednesday 5 May Interschool Swimming Sports

WEEK TWO TERM TWO

Thursday 13 May Ki-O-Rahi Interschool Tournament
Friday 14 May School Assembly 2.00pm - Communication Team

WEEK FIVE TERM TWO

Friday 4 June Teacher Only Days - School closed

Term 1 ends Friday 16 April 2021
Term 2 starts Monday 3 May 2021
Term 2 ends Friday 9 July 2021

FAREWELL TO ZAC

We were very lucky to have a dedicated sports specialist in the school this term working with our tamariki. Zac Topping will be moving on next term and we would like to say a big thank you for all his positive energy and skills he has passed on to both students and teachers.



Zac will be running a school holiday programme with a focus on enjoying sport and fundamental skills.

Book in to the Kelly Sports Holiday Programme for even more fun, activities and sports!

Go to www.kellysports.co.nz/Manawatu for more information and to book!



PRINCIPAL AWARDS



Piako Tahī

Leenaa Yang for always trying her best and showing amazing listening skills.

Piako Rua

Miwa Hartley for working hard to learn her sight words.
Ella Pyle for having an enthusiastic attitude towards all Literacy learning.
Maia Sharland for working hard to meet your writing goals.

Pae Ake

Rin Fukuoka for always having a great attitude towards all her learning.
Connor Aldred for striving for excellence in his learning.
Alexandra Murray for being a sensible independent problem solver.

Poutama

Kaleb Walker-Gray for improving his writing.
Joel Davidson for his positive attitude towards his learning and to his friends too.
Emma Lourie for the positive attitude she brings to learning every day.

Pounamu Atawahi

Taha Baig for his great attitude towards all learning areas.
Kruz Taiaroa for a huge effort in improving his writing!
Rylee Cameron for her positive attitude to new challenges.
Kalais Whatuira for her wonderful start at Riverdale school.

Patiki

Jayden Curley for showing great Self Management skills in Pounamu Atawahi.