

KIA ORA - GREETINGS

In the first few weeks of every year we start with our "Ecology of Learning"; the protocols and skills we need to learn and practise in order to develop and maintain positive relationships with each other.

Resilience is "the capacity to recover quickly from challenges." - Learning how to deal with disappointment and moving on is an important life lesson.

HOUSE CAPTAINS 2021

Congratulations to the newly elected House Captains for 2021. They bravely stood up in front of their peers and delivered a speech outlining why they should be a House Captain. House Captains are responsible for setting a great example for others during school events.



RIVERDALE SWIMMING SPORTS

Year 4-6 students took part in our Annual School Swimming Event today. It was fantastic to see children giving events a go, some for the first time. It was also great to see the competitive swimmers get rewarded for their hard work during swimming lessons at school and outside of school.

The whole group enjoyed a free swim and slides in the indoor pool at the conclusion of the event.



To our students:

We wish you happy days at Riverdale School
Armani Byrne, Leenaa Yang, Siena Fell, Matthew Baker

TE AO MAORI

Kia Ora Whanau, we are creating a Focus Group to hear from our Community about Te Ao Maori. The first meeting has an open door policy so we can create our focus group. Nau mai, haere mai. Don't forget to RSVP to tash@riverdale.school.nz

NAU MAI, HAERE MAI

WE HAVE INVITED YOU TO ATTEND A HUI AT RIVERDALE SCHOOL BASED AROUND TE AO MAORI

We would like to hear from a broad range of Community voice about how we are meeting the needs of akonga. Do you have any desires or aspirations that you would like us to consider? Do you have any questions or suggestions around curriculum delivery of Te Ao Maori? We invite you to come and have a korero.

MARCH 18, 2021
2-3PM
7-8PM

NGĀ MIHI
RIVERDALE KAIAKO

Please RSVP to tash@riverdale.school.nz with the time that suits you best

PLANT TO PLATE

Pounamu Atawhai's first Plant to Plate group had a great day. We weeded and turned the soil in the garden, learnt about how to keep the soil healthy, and planted lots of new veges. We cooked many different foods and were very brave when trying new things.

It was lots of fun and we were too busy eating to smile nicely for teachers' photos!



Kanohi ki te Kanohi **LEARNING CONVERSATION**

Wednesday 24 March
3.15pm - 6.30pm

and

Thursday 25 March
1.15pm - 6.30pm

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

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Bookings open Friday 12 March. Enter the event code **u8geb** then enter the parent's full name, email address and students 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. The link is also on the School App.

CLASS CELEBRATIONS

PAE AKE

We love Opt-Ins in Pae Ake! Over the last few weeks we have had so much fun doing a variety of activities including: Cooking, Science/Technology and Visual Art.

We have made pizzas and lava lamps, explored with magnifying glasses, created beautiful art and much, much more!



PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on Tuesday 23 March 2021 at 7.30pm in Ara Toi followed by a PTA meeting.

All parents welcome.

We Need You!

Calling all Parents, Grandparents and Caregivers

We have a fantastic committee which meets twice a term to plan and decide on fundraising 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.

If you can assist with any of our events, please email:

pta@riverdale.school.nz

We would love to hear from you!

Book Club



Welcome to Issue 2! Enjoy browsing all the wonderful, exciting bargains in this bumper issue and then head to: <https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz> and place your order! Orders are due by Friday 26 March. Happy Reading Everyone!

KIND HEARTS

Developing and reflecting on kindness, and its importance, is a skill the children in the Kind Hearts Club are learning to develop. They will meet monthly to prepare for the Kind Hearts Regional Event in May, where Suzie Cato will discuss this with the children further.

Term Dates

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

WEEK SIX TERM ONE

Friday 12 March Teacher Only Day - School is closed

WEEK SEVEN TERM ONE

Wednesday 17 March Interschool Triathlon
Friday 19 March School Assembly at 2.00pm -
Communication Team

WEEK EIGHT TERM ONE

Tuesday 23 March PTA AGM 7.30pm
Wednesday 24 March Kanohi ki te Kanohi, 3.15-6.30pm
Thursday 25 March Kanohi ki te Kanohi 1.15-6.30pm
School will close at 1.00pm
Friday 26 March School Assembly at 2.00pm -
Poutama Team

WEEK NINE TERM ONE

Wednesday 31 March Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday 2 April Good Friday - School is closed

WEEK TEN TERM ONE

Monday 5 April Easter Monday - School is closed
Tuesday 6 April Easter Tuesday - School is closed
Friday 9 April School Assembly at 2.00pm -
Pae Ake Team

WEEK ELEVEN TERM ONE

Friday 16 April Right Choice Day
Last day of Term One 2021

Easter Break - School Closed Friday 2 April, Monday 5 April and
Tuesday 6 April 2021

Term 1 ends Friday 16 April 2021
Term 2 begins Monday 3 May 2021