



Tena Koutou e te whanau

Kia ora o te wiki o te reo Maori.

It has been a real pleasure to return to kanohi ki te kanohi learning with tamariki.

We missed you all during level 3 / 4 lock down.

LEVEL 2 REMINDERS

At Alert Level 2 there is low risk of Community transmission and it provides us with a lot more opportunities to engage and connect with others. However, there are still a number of Public Health requirements we all need to follow.

In order to comply with the MOH and MOE guidelines of 2 metre social distancing, mandatory mask wearing and scan in procedures, Riverdale School will operate in the following way.

Drop off

Staff will not be at any gates and children will enter the grounds as normal.

We ask parents to continue to drop at the gate, but if entering the school grounds you will need to adhere to the following

- Scan in at the gate
- Sanitise (available at all entrances)
- Wear a mask
- Maintain the 2 metre distance from others and the classroom entrances.

Pick up

To avoid congregations at our entrances where a 2 metre distance is simply not practical, we are asking that you continue with your usual pick up routine, either pick up from a gate or at least 2 metres outside your child's classroom.

Entry to Classrooms is closed to all non essential educational personnel.

Should you absolutely need to enter a classroom, you are required to come to the office and sign in at the front desk first.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2022

Enrolment at Riverdale School is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office.

All In Zone Students

All In Zone enrolment forms for 2022 are to be received by the school office before Friday 24 September 2021.

Out of Zone Students

All siblings of current Out of Zone students enrolling for 2022 are to be received by the school office before Friday 24 September 2021 for the ballot process.

TEACHER ONLY DAY POSTPONED

In light of the Covid situation we have postponed the planned Teacher Only Day from Friday 22 October to Monday 8 November 2021.

PHOTOLIFE SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos were taken on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Your child will be sent home with a unique code in Term 4 for you to view online and place your order.

Please be aware that there will be a slight delay this year as things have been on backorder during lockdown.



To our students:
Maia Johnson, Casey Brown, Kora Tu'ipulotu, Leila Lane-Joule

We wish you happy days at Riverdale School



Karawhia te reo Māori!
This week was Māori language week. It was good to hear our tamariki greeting each other and sharing their te reo.
Brings a smile to our faces.
Keep it up Whānau!

RIVERDALE SCHOOL APP SUBSCRIBE

Our main platform for communication is through the Riverdale School App.

Installing the app can be found on the App store by searching for 'School Apps'. Once installed then search for Riverdale School. The app has a built in long term school calendar, sports teams information, past alerts, links to various websites, forms and the newsletter.

If you do not use a device, please contact the school office so we can arrange alternative communication to keep you informed with school messages.

KIND HEARTS

The Pounamu Atawhai Kind Hearts Club had to make some changes to their Term 3 programme due to Lockdown. Their planned Fathers Day activity for the Rest Home and baking for the Hospice couldn't go ahead but they were fortunate enough to be back at school in time to make Bird Feeders for the native birds at Wildbase, as a way of showing kindness in our community.

Next week the group will be running some craft and music workshops for Piako Rua to show kindness in the school.

PEGGY PURL

A big thank you to those in our school community who are knitting and/or crocheting peggy squares for Peggy Pearl. Peggy Pearl has volunteers who crochet the squares together to make blankets for those that need them, including the PN Hospital Neonatal and Children's wards.



If you wish to be part of this group please email Lynette Kenyon for the details.

lynnette@riverdale.school.nz



LEVEL 4 LOCK DOWN - CLASS CELEBRATIONS

Piako Tahi

It was wonderful to see so many of our children have the confidence to jump onto zoom to have a chat with their whanau teacher and friends.

We even had a dress up zoom and the children came as superheroes, fairytale characters, animals and lots more.

We loved seeing all the photos showing the distance learning that the children were involved in.

There were lots of hands on, creative and challenge based activities.



Piako Rua

In Piako Rua, the teachers set learning in the form of 3 challenges each day. These challenges provided hands-on learning experiences across a range of different curriculum areas.

It was wonderful to receive so many photos of the learning happening at home!

We really enjoyed our zoom meetings where the children could interact with each other and show their classmates what they had been doing.

Check out some of our great home learning!



TERM DATES

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

WEEK NINE TERM THREE

Thursday 23 September Board of Trustees Meeting - 5.30pm

WEEK TEN TERM THREE

Wednesday 29 September Ricoh Sports Tournament
Friday 1 October Right Choice Day
Last day of Term 3 2021

WEEK ONE TERM FOUR

Monday 18 October First day of Term 4 2021
Tuesday 19 October Bike Safety begins
Friday 22 October Teacher Only Day - Postponed

WEEK TWO TERM FOUR

Monday 25 October Labour Day

Term 3 ends Friday 1 October 2021
Term 4 starts 18 October 2021
Term 4 ends Wednesday 15 December 2021

Pae Ake

It is fabulous to see our wonderful Pae Ake children back at school! We were very lucky to see so much amazing home learning during lockdown.

Thank you to all the whanau who took the time to send in work so that we could celebrate all the fantastic learning that happened! If you would like to see more of Pae Ake's work, you can view it on our blog!

Below are: Brayden's cake, Alannah's Opt-Ins and Bruno's bug creation!



Poutama

SDL - Self directed learning activities were set each week. There were nine tasks designed to be completed independently. The tasks included online games and creative challenges to do at home.

A favourite task was for the children to make a video of themselves presenting a 'Masterclass'. We had some great videos come in. Kosmo taught us how to get our cat to stand on two legs and Jacob P taught us a fabulous magic trick.

We loved the children sharing their learning with us digitally. It is certainly a useful skill in these tricky times.



Pounamu Atawhai

The students in Pounamu Atawhai are extremely competent digital citizens so when it became necessary to make a shift to distance learning, they were pros!

Our self directed literacy and numeracy tasks continued as normal and our Inquiry focus on Hauora couldn't have been more perfectly timed.

Each week students were given a range of tasks they could do to help strengthen the walls of their whare.

It was really nice for us to see the focus on family and well-being happening in such an authentic context.

