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31st May 2024

Week 5

Principal Report

Reminder: This weekend is **'King's Birthday weekend'** so there will be no school on **Monday 3rd June**. There is also **no school on Tuesday 4th June** as we have our **Kahui Ako Teacher only day**.

Miss Harris resignation

It is with sadness that we inform you of Miss Harris' resignation. Lauren has secured her dream job with the Life Education Trust (Harold the giraffe) a field in which she has a strong passion for. We are sad to see Lauren go, but so proud to see her expand on her teaching experiences. Lauren has been at LRS for nearly 5 and a half years and has developed both personally and professionally into an excellent teacher. Lauren will be leaving us at the end of Term 2. We wish her the very best in her new adventure.

Currently the position is being advertised in the Education Gazette. We will advise in due course.

Attendance

Attendance is still on our minds and how can we support whanau to ensure that they can get their children to school on a regular basis. I have been looking into research from around the world and trying to see what the common factors are for children being absent from school. Interestingly, the research out of the UK notes their 10 headline findings as:

1. Covid has caused a seismic shift in parental attitudes to school attendance that is going to take a monumental, multi-service effort to change.
2. It is no longer the case that every day matters – at least from the perspective of parents.
3. There has been a fundamental breakdown in the relationship between schools and parents across the socioeconomic spectrum.
4. Attendance currently has an Other People's children (OPC) challenge.
5. The mental health crisis in young people is a huge, compounding issue around attendance.
6. Term-time holidays are now entirely socially acceptable across all socioeconomic groups.
7. The cost-of-living crisis is driving more families into poverty, and this is an underlying driver of

poor attendance in families from lower and no-income groups.

8. Despite popular political and media perception, the increase in parents working from home is not driving the attendance crisis.
9. School level attendance systems feel increasingly draconian to families, and yet they are not sufficiently robust or accurate. This undermines the relationship between school and families.
10. Sanctions are seen as both irrelevant and antagonistic across all parent groups.

I think that one of the key comments for me in the study I've been doing is that 'attendance is not the problem, it is a consequence of the problems'.

So, finding the root of the problem and addressing that, is our key to growing our attendance rates.

Primary teachers: Classroom release time (CRT)

You may have noticed that a relief teacher is taking your child's class on a regular basis. This is sometimes due to sickness or professional development, however, in most cases it is due to the teachers being released for their scheduled CRT. This time is set to increase over the next six months as per the primary teachers collective agreement.

Primary teachers are entitled to 'classroom release time (CRT)' each term to do other work such as:

- *planning*
- *evaluation*
- *reporting*
- *personal professional development*
- *research*
- *syndicate meetings.*

During their absence their class is taught by another staff member.

Full-time primary teachers

A full-time permanent primary teacher or a long-term reliever employed for at least a term is entitled to CRT as follows:

- *Up to term 4 2023, 10 hours per term*
- *from Term 1 2024, 15 hours per term*
- *from Term 3 2024, 20 hours per term*
- *from Term 1 2025, 25 hours per term*

Hillary Outdoor Camp

Good luck to Chase Roberts and Callum Koekemoer who have been selected to attend Hillary Outdoors next week. This is an exciting leadership opportunity and we know they will experience challenges and opportunities to grow. We are looking forward to hearing all about it when they return.

Cluster Cross Country

What wonderful weather we had for our Cluster Cross Country yesterday. We're very proud of all our LRS children who competed and gave it their all.

A massive **thank you** to all who volunteered to be marshalls, without your support we can't run these events. To the PTA who worked away providing food, thank you for taking the time to support the school and raising funds to make our school a better place for our students.



Top 10 Cluster Cross Country results

The top 3 places from 8 year olds+ have qualified for the Rural Inter Schools Cross Country to be held at Kaharoa School. Information will be sent home with those students who qualified. Well done!

5 year olds	Girls	1st Heidi Brensell		
	Boys	2nd Tai pari Redmond	4th Johnny Schutt	5th Shiloh Kena
6 year olds	Girls	1st Caoimhe Dawson	9th Tennille Banfield	
	Boys	8th Charlie Whitworth	10th = Ted Reid	
7 year olds	Girls	9th Kenzie Livingstone	10th Evelyn Jepsen	
	Boys	3rd Deisel Johnstone	5th Flynn Reid	9th Liam Henderson
8 year olds	Girls	6th Johannah Allen	7th Stella Scott	8th Eva-Rose Hale
	Boys	2nd Taituha Dawson	6th Charlie Schutt	
9 year olds	Girls	8th Paige Jepsen		
	Boys	7th Jonty Armer	8th Nikau Mohi	9th Ryan Schutt
10 year olds	Girls	6th Rebecca Sterkenburg		
	Boys	1st Hemi Dawson		
12+ years	Boys	1st Callum Koekemoer		

Welcome In - Saturday 22nd June

Our PTA is hosting a Welcome In at the Rerewhakaaitu Domain on the 22nd of June. All new and local people are welcome! This year there will be an obstacle course competition and hangi for dinner. Come to one or both. Flyers / Order forms for dinner are available in the office or on our website.

Fuel for Schools

Thank you to our amazing supporters who've nominated us for Fuel for Schools! We have recently put these rewards to purchasing a cricut package that will be used in supporting our local curriculum and in particular, our technology.



We would like to take the time to mention who those members of the community are that have contributed to our school:

- Gretener Family Trust
- ITP Ltd
- C & M Brensell Partnership
- Onuku Yankee DU
- R & L Contracting Ltd - 101 Golf Rd
- BJ & SJ Jacobs Limited

Please put your hands together 🙌🙌🙌 Last week's certificates went to:



Renata Davey for moving up to the Green sight words.

Cayden Allen for moving up to Blue sight words.

Eleanor Dyson for moving up to Red sight words.

Natasha Kena for courage, perseverance and resilience during our School Cross Country.

Lucy Page for having a positive attitude towards feedback and working hard towards achieving her writing goals.

Te Kaia Poumako for good perseverance during cross country.

Rebecca Sterkenburg for showing great leadership qualities.

The Principal Certificate went to... Kenzie Livingstone for whakawhanaungatanga



House Points

Each week we give out a house cup to the house that's in the lead. Students can earn house points by following our school rules, values, being on task and even when they get caught being awesome.

Our house leaders are:

Tarawera Bryce & Chase

Kakaramea Callum & Morgan

Congratulations to our house winner

for our last week.. **Tarawera!**



Dates to Remember

Mon 3 Jun	King's Birthday - No School
Tue 4 Jun	Kahui Ako Teacher Only Day
Tue 11 Jun	PTA Meeting 7pm
Wed 19 Jun	Board Meeting 7pm
Sat 22 Jun	Rerewhakaaitu Welcome In
Thu 27 Jun	Cultural Festival
Fri 28 Jun	Matariki
Fri 5 Jul	Term 2 Ends
Mon 22 Jul	Term 3 Starts

TUPU

☀️ Fact of the week: Did you know that when we gaze at the stars, we're actually looking back through time? That's because even though light travels at 186,000 miles per second, because of the vast distances of space between stars, it often still takes many thousands of years to reach us. ☀️



We have made many crafts, learned about each star and can now talk about the many ways we can celebrate Matariki.

Matariki

For the last few weeks, Tupu has been learning about Matariki and its cultural significance in Maori Culture.



RAKAU

What do you say to a rabbit on its birthday? Hoppy Birthday!

Rakau has had another awesome week of learning and making progress!

In class we have been continuing to grow our knowledge and understanding of statistical investigations. Our main focus this week has been asking relative questions about different sets of data. Many of our class attended Cluster Cross-Country yesterday either as competitors or marshalls. We loved our day and came away with some great results!

Next week will be our last week of selling chocolates! So, if you haven't got yours yet, time is running out! Have a safe and happy long weekend!

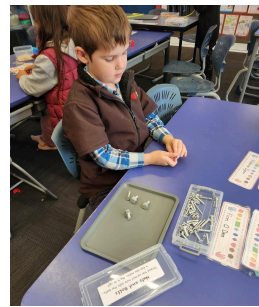
Ngā mihi, Rakau Class

MAHURI

Riddle: What goes up and down but doesn't move?

How are we halfway through the term already?!

Fridays are our fun days. Every Friday morning we test ourselves on our spelling words, do a basic facts maths test and finish any writing or inquiry work that we may not have completed during the week.



Once we have finished all our testing and weeks work we have 'creative play'. For creative play the kids get to choose from a bunch of activities that are designed to either strengthen cooperation, communication, fine motor skills, problem solving; or all of the above.



This is normally 20-30 minutes and then we pack up ready for our te reo lessons with Whaea Adelaide.



Have a good week, any queries pop in and see me or send me an email.

Jasmine



Jogging the Powerpoles

This sessions start 12th June and are held every Wednesday at 6pm from the Redwoods



Explore the Forest by Night

JOGGING THE POWERPOLES

- Adults & kids 10yrs+ who can do 5km in 50mins
- 6pm every Weds from Redwoods info centre
- 1hr of hunts, games, challenges, and even cake
- Bring shoes, headlight, cellphone, jacket



Two Great July Holiday Camps!

Week 1: Edventure Advanced Explorers \$635
@ Ngatuhua Lodge (10-13 yrs)

Week 2: Edventure Young Explorers \$650
@ Aongatete Lodge (8-12 yrs)

We have an amazing week lined up with bush walks, archery, air rifle, fire building and cooking, hut building, orienteering, team building, confidence activities, night activities and much more!

BOOK HERE

Hamilton & Tauranga Pick-up/Drop off options available

For more information:
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Lake Rerewhakaaitu PTA presents the annual...



WELCOME IN!

22nd June 2024

At the Rerewhakaaitu Domain building

Whether you're new to the district or one of our amazing locals please join us for our annual Welcome In.

This year we are holding an Obstacle Course Competition & Games from 3pm and a Hangi Dinner from 5:30pm.

You can join us for one or both, all welcome!

Dinner numbers limited to 150, so get in quick! BYO drinks.

Hangi includes:

Regular = 2 meats and 3 veggies - Small = 1 meat and 2 veggies

Followed by: Steamed pudding & custard/tinned fruit.



Dinner order form return by 17th June

Name:			
Phone Number:			
	Price	Qty #	Total:
Regular Hangi :	\$20.00		
Small Hangi :	\$10.00		

All monies to be paid into:

Lake Rerewhakaaitu School PTA account 03-1552-0128517-00

Ref: Surname Code: Hangi

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