



**Rototuna**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
HE RAWE MO AKETONU - OUR BEST ALWAYS



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Dear Parents, Whanau and Carers,

Road safety is very important and this is of greater importance around the school. We are a large school and there are many children on the footpaths before and after school. Our attention to road safety should be our primary concern at these times. That's why we have consistent reminders in our newsletter.

It's not just about obeying the road rules/laws, it's also about driving to the conditions created by so many people using the roads around the school. We all have a responsibility to be focussed. That means we need patience to wait calmly in traffic. We also have a responsibility to teach children safe habits. One problem I have noticed recently is that some parents encourage children to get in and out of the car on the right hand side. This is putting them in the path of cars. Please take a little more time and ensure that children only use the left hand side of vehicles to get in and out. Thanks for thinking about our children.

## Spell-a-thon

We had a special Celebration on Friday when we acknowledged everyone's efforts in helping raise \$18,500 for the Spell-a-thon. I thank parents who supported and encouraged their children to learn their words and to find sponsors.

I am really delighted that there were so many generous sponsors. I also thank the teachers for the work they did.

Finally I thank the P.T.A for collecting all money and also providing pizza lunch for Mānuka 2 and Room 24 as they were the best fundraisers in the Junior and Senior classes, and also for a lot of extra spot prizes donated by the P.T.A.

I also acknowledge the ongoing support that we have received from Noel Leeming Group especially the Te Rapa store. I hope if you're looking for goods and appliances that you'll give them an opportunity to quote.

Congratulations to the winners:

The most successful fundraiser was **Mylee Hill (Room 28)** and the second best was **Arabella Macapagal (Mānuka 2)**. They both got great prizes from Noel Leeming.

The rest of the akōnga who received prizes were:

**Hope Schuster (Room 9), Blake Finnerty (Room 9), Ruby Gilmore (Room 26), Peta Vedder-Lambert (Room 26), Vivian Cai (Room 1) and Olivia Wei (Room 29).**

The winners of the P.T.A spot prizes were:

**Sultan Al Bulushi (Room 29)**

**Cameron Gale (Room 26)**

**Helena Liu (Kahikatea)**

**Cody Lurman (Room 24)**

**Zaynab Cajee (Room 24)**

**Lincoln Collings (Room 22)**

**Fletcher Massey (Mānuka 2)**

**Susana Ramirez-Baena (Mānuka 2)**

**Emily Crosswell (Room 19)**

**Ceana Ormsby (Room 23)**

**Ella Heal (Room 24)**

**Ayden Heathcote (Room 6)**

**Lucas McIntyre (Room 6)**

**Yunseo Kim (Room 24)**

**Mayur Singh (Room 12)**

**Saad Imran (Room 1)**

**Samim Hamidullah (Mānuka 2)**

**Zachary Taylor (Room 26)**

**Masen Trevithick (Room 26)**

**BJ Harrison (Mānuka 4)**

Well done all of the above lucky prize winners.

## Lost Property

With the year drawing to a close it is important to remind your children to look through the lost property and claim what is theirs. It will also be displayed after this week's whole school celebration. It is concerning that the two bins are already full to overflowing.

## Lost Books

Readers – every year at this time we ask whanau and akonga to do a house search for any reading or library books. We are really grateful for the huge number we get back as it means we can buy more new titles instead of replacing lost ones. We never growl we are just grateful if you find them and return them to school.

## Leaving NE-Y5 2019

We are in the process of our class organisation for 2019. If your child will be leaving us and attending another school for 2019 can you please email us at [reception@rototunaprimarieschool.nz](mailto:reception@rototunaprimarieschool.nz)

- Child Name & Room Number, Date Leaving Rototuna, New Schools Name

## Younger Siblings Starting School in 2019

If you have a younger child starting school in 2019 and we have not yet received their official enrolment forms then please attend to this matter urgently.

### **Spotlighting Rototuna Learners**

Congratulations to the following akonga who were acknowledged at our Celebration on Friday.

Serena Straiton: Room 21 Serena has demonstrated the tikanga of rangatiratanga this year. She is self determined and has lead her own learning and works hard to achieve her learning goals, to a high standard. She has also been driven to learn about her own whakapapa which has strengthened her understanding of her own identity . Well done Serena!

Bjorn Fitch: Bjorn Room 21 is a Kaikokira and always gives things a go. His persistence in learning demonstrates a growth mindset as he listens carefully to what he can do to improve and works hard to make progress. Well done Bjorn!

Sasha Hayward: Room 21 Sasha is a great self manager (*Kaimahi Takitahi*) who tries her best in all learning areas. She listens carefully to feedback and puts in 100% effort into her learning goals and independently achieves these to a high standard. She shows her team player skills by showing respect to other learners and listens attentively to their ideas, which helps her to build on her own understanding. Well done Sasha!

Riley Kemp: Room 21 Riley is a Kaiwhakaaro. He is able to make connections across the curriculum and researches into complex ideas to create something new and synthesis his learning. Well done Riley.

Isabelle O'Brien: Room 7 Isabelle shows she is a *Kaimahi Takitahi* , a great self manager. She shows this by the positive attitude she has towards her learning and how independent she can be in the classroom. She always has a smile on her face and tries her best in everything she does. Well done Isabelle!

Allie Thorburn: Room 7 Allie demonstrates she is a *Kaikokiri* , a risk taker. Allie shows this through the perseverance she has with all learning activities and the way she is able to give all learning ago. Allie is a motivated and responsible learner who sets targets and goals to achieve and gives everything she does her best effort. Ka pai Allie.

Eric Zhang: Room 7 Eric is a *Kaimahi Takitahi* , a great self manager. Eric knows exactly what his goals are on spotlight and takes responsibility in working towards achieving them. He stays locked onto all his learning and shows initiative wherever possible. Keep up the good work Eric!

Ryan Lee: Rom 7 Ryan is a awesome *Kaimahi a roopu, team player and a Kaimahi Takitahi self manager*. Ryan shows respect and genuine care towards his peers, takes responsibility for his learning and gives all learning a go even when it's tricky. To top it off Ryan is able to do this with a huge smile on his face. Well done Ryan, you are a true Rototuna Leaner!

Jayden Zhou: Mānuka 5 Jayden is a fabulous *Kaimahi takitahi*. He listens carefully to instructions and is always focussed and ready for learning. He puts his best effort into all his tasks and is great at looking after his own belongings. Keep up the awesome effort Jayden!

Iris Sun: Mānuka 5 Iris has made such an awesome start to school. She is already showing how she is a *kaikokiri* by having a go at her writing all by herself. She is kind and caring, and always looking after others who may need help. What an awesome Rototuna Learner you are Iris!

### **Photolife Photos**

If you have ordered cultural or individual photos these have gone home with your child TODAY. Please check their school bags.

### **Happening this Week**

We are getting busy as the term nears an end. Here are the key events for the rest of this week and next.

Thursday 29/11

Postponement day for the Junior School Athletics

- Rooms 6,8,10 are visiting the Hamilton Gardens.
- Band Information evening at 6.30pm in the Hall

Friday 30/11

- 9.00am we have a school powhiri to welcome new staff to our school. They are Liam Norman, Emma Lovell, Frances Durbin and Sarah Hansen
- 9.30am Orientation Day for those year 6 students attending Rototuna Junior High School next year. They will be back at 12.30pm. This is for STUDENTS ONLY.
- 6.30pm We acknowledge our teachers who have become fully registered at an NZEI function. Congratulations Bethany Mitchell, Danielle Loye and Courtney Mace.

Monday 3/12

- 9.00am Road Patrollers Training for our 2019 students.

Tuesday 4/12

- 9.00am Leaders Fun Day with Project Energise staff
- 12.30pm 2018 School Leader sausage sizzle
- 1.30pm Certificate presentation to all Leaders
- New Entrant Visits for 2019 (January/ early February students starting school)

Thursday 6/12

- New Entrant Visits for 2019 (January/ early February students starting school)
- 2019 New Entrant Parents Information meeting at 6.00pm in the staffroom (students starting in Term 1)

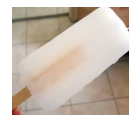
### **Band Information Evening**

We are very proud of our school bands and they regularly win gold or silver at the annual Waikato Schools Band Competition. TOMORROW at 6.30pm there is an information night for parents and children who are considering joining the school band. There will be information on tutoring and cost and the selection of instruments and instrument hirage costs. Band teacher Stewart Stanbridge will be in attendance to answer your questions. Students were invited to sit aptitude test - those that were selected have been notified



### Ice Blocks

The P.T.A will be selling lemonade ice blocks on Fridays at lunchtime from Ricky's Shed these are \$1.00 please bring



### Interschool Athletics

Last Friday many year 4 to 6 students represented us at the annual Fairfield Schools Athletics Competition at Southwell School. I was there briefly and was proud of commitment that our akonga were putting into their events. Congratulations to the following students:

|        |                    |                                |
|--------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Year 4 | High Jump          | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Gillie Heitia  |
| Year 4 | 800m               | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Olivia Dunn    |
| Year 5 | Cricket Ball Throw | 1 <sup>st</sup> Laura Bennett  |
|        |                    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Holly Gerring  |
| Year 5 | High Jump          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Katlyn Cornes  |
|        |                    | 1 <sup>st</sup> Cooper Smith   |
|        |                    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Laura Bennett  |
| Year 5 | 50m                | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cooper Smith   |
|        |                    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Katlyn Cornes  |
| Year 5 | 100m               | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cooper Smith   |
|        |                    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Zac Wilson     |
|        |                    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Hayley Cornes  |
| Year 5 | 800m               | 1 <sup>st</sup> Laura Bennett  |
|        |                    | 1 <sup>st</sup> Miller Orr     |
|        |                    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jacob Orchard  |
| Year 5 | Relays GIRLS       | 1 <sup>st</sup> ROTOTUNA       |
| Year 5 | Relays BOYS        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> ROTOTUNA       |
| Year 6 | Cricket Ball Throw | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sienna Frethey |
|        |                    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Usman Kamran   |
| Year 6 | 50 m               | 1 <sup>st</sup> Hayley Koppens |
| Year 6 | 100m               | 1 <sup>st</sup> Hayley Koppens |
| Year 6 | Relays BOYS        | 3 <sup>rd</sup> ROTOTUNA       |

### Class Parties

Over the past few years we have set aside two days for class parties. This helps us manage all the end of year things that need doing. Please just bring a SMALL plate of food as we do not want to waste it. Please supply your treats on a paper plate so we don't have to find who's plates are who's.

### Leaders Fun Day

This is the day when we acknowledge all the 2018 Leaders that keep our school running. Thanks to school leaders, sports leaders, peer mediators, car park monitors, road patrollers and librarians. Your work is appreciated. Thanks to the P.T.A who provide a sausage sizzle/bread and a drink to acknowledge the teachers.

### Thanks

I thank all the teachers who work at our school during the year. I especially thank those who have helped out with taking on a class to cover for people on leave. Thanks to Maria Revell, Ros Ramsbottom and Nicole Drinkrow.

### Farewell

At the end of the term we farewell Karen Lovell (moving overseas) and Bethany Mitchell who has 12 months leave to go overseas.

## IMPORTANT

**Please insure we have your updated contact information in case of emergency.**

- **Moved house**
- **Changed Address**
- **Changed phone/mobile numbers**
- **Changed job/work number**
- **Change emergency contact details**



**FREE!**

# KIDS' ARTY PARTY

## GARDEN PLACE

**Toy trade, design a hat, food, rides, music,  
art activities, sing-off competition,  
come dressed up, spot prizes and more...**

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

**SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER**

**9.30am-12.30pm**



**cbd** Events

[www.hamilton.govt.nz/kidsartyparty](http://www.hamilton.govt.nz/kidsartyparty)



**Hamilton  
City Council**  
Te Kaunihera o Kiriikiriroa

# Kiwi Club Holiday Programme

## December 2018 / January 2019



| Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec<br>\$40   | Tue 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec<br>\$60  | Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec<br>\$40  | Thur 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec<br>\$68  | Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec<br>\$45   |
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|         |    |                        |    |         |
| <b><u>Puppet Mania</u></b><br><br>AM – Creating Puppets<br>PM – Performing Puppet shows  | <b><u>Hamilton Lake</u></b><br>Bus Leaves @ 9:30<br><br>PM – Capture the Flag & Games   | <b><u>Water Adventures</u></b><br><br>AM – Water Fight<br><br>PM – Water Crafts<br><br>SUBWAY           | <b><u>Movies</u></b><br>Snacks available at extra cost. Bring money & order in AM.<br><br>PM- Movie Quiz and colouring competition | <b>Christmas Party</b><br><br>Crafts, Games, Prizes, Candy Cane Activities                 |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan<br>\$40   | Tue 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan<br>\$60  | Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan<br>\$40  | Thur 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan<br>\$60  | Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan<br>\$45   |
|         |    |                        |    |         |
| <b>New Year's Party</b><br><br>Crafts, Games, New Year Resolutions                       | <b>Inflatable World</b><br>Bus Leaves @ 9:30  | <b>Mythical Creatures</b><br><br>Unicorns, Cerberus, Trolls, Fairies, Design your own Monster<br>SUBWAY | <b>WaterWorld</b><br>Bus Leaves @ 9:30<br>Lunch, Drink bottle Hat.<br>Extra \$5 for hydroslide<br>PM – Water Crafts                | <b>AM – Jazzersize</b><br>Throwback Crafts<br><br><b>PM – Kareoke &amp; Games</b>          |
| Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan<br>\$40   | Tue 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan<br>\$68  | Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan<br>\$40  | Thur 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan<br>\$60  | Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan<br>\$40   |
|       |    |                      |    |       |
| <b>Under The Sea Crafts</b><br><br>Jelly Fish, Sea Horse, Underworld Scene, Shark crafts | <b>Movies</b><br>Snacks available at extra cost. Bring money & order in AM.<br>\$3.50 per item<br>Popcorn, drink ice cream<br>PM- Movie Quiz and colouring comp | <b>Garden Themed Crafts</b><br><br>AM – Decorate and plant pots<br><br>PM – Rock Painting<br><br>SUBWAY | <b>Taitua Arboretum</b><br>- hide rocks, feed chickens, scavenger's hunt<br>Bus leaves @ 9:30<br>PM – Organic Frames               | <b>P.J Party</b><br>Movie, popcorn, clown noses, sun catchers, quiz game                   |
|  |   |   |  | <b>Tue 29<sup>th</sup> Jan<br/>\$40</b><br><br>AM – Making Playdough<br><br>PM – Water Fun |

**Bookings: [kiwiclubrototuna.aimyplus.com](http://kiwiclubrototuna.aimyplus.com) Registration Closes 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Dec at 5pm 2018 for Dec Programme & 21<sup>st</sup> December at 5pm for the Jan 2019**

**Programme. NO REFUNDS AFTER THOSE DATES** *Please read our Terms & Conditions*