



# Rototuna Primary School

School Newsletter - No. 19 19 June 2019



## Welcome to Week 8!

### Important Notice

**PLEASE READ:  
IMPORTANT  
MESSAGE**

ICAS Enrolments are now OPEN. Please login to KINDO to enrol - there will be NO late enrolments accepted after Monday 1st July.

### From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Whānau and Carers,

Thank you to all the wonderful parents and grandparents who attended our SPOTLIGHT celebration afternoon last Friday. This meant a lot to the learners in the class and I hope you enjoyed your time. It was great to see some taking time to also visit some exercise books and discuss other areas of their learning.

Hope you all have your costumes sorted and tables booked for a fun quiz night on Friday. Thank you to the PTA who have put a great deal of energy and effort into planning this event. Sounds like some fabulous prizes are on offer. I am looking forward to being part of my first Rototuna Primary School fundraising evening.

Ngā mihi nui  
**James Eldridge**

*A Note From  
The  
Principal*

### From the Sports Desk

**Player of the Day** – for school teams only:

Trager Allers, Bella Yates, Dannika White, Celeste Mullen, Tasmin True, Isabelle Porteous, Hannah Cornes.

Please email Player of the Day to: [roleary@rototunaprimarieschool.nz](mailto:roleary@rototunaprimarieschool.nz) by Tuesday 3pm



### Payments available on **Kindo** currently:

- ICAS - Last day to enrol Monday 1 July - No late enrolments
- Voluntary School Donation (Full Year or Term by Term Options)
- Trivia Night Tickets (**3 Tables left**) It's not too late to book!



Kindo is our online payment system that allows you to pay for all our school activities or sports 24 hours a day/7 days a week. You can pay via bank transfer (no fees) or credit card (fees apply). Add regular top ups if you'd like, then allocate to payments when you are ready or just pay as you go. Direct links to Kindo available on the school app, website or go to [www.kindo.co.nz](http://www.kindo.co.nz)

## Parent Teacher Interviews

Due to these staff members leaving before our scheduled interviews:

**Interviews will open at 4pm TODAY and will all be held in the Kahikatea Hub Office (old dental clinic)**

**Karen Lovell Rata Hub** will hold her interviews will be held on **Friday 28 June 9am- 3pm**

**Caitlin Hazlehurst Room 11** will hold her interviews will be held on **Wednesday 3 July 9am-3pm**

**Courtney Mace Room 17** will hold her interviews will be held on **Thursday 4 July 9am-3pm**

To book go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and use this code: **azr6e**

## From the Deputy Principal's Desk



The **Restorative Practice** approach focuses on building and maintaining positive, respectful relationships across the school community and offers school staff best-practice tools and techniques to restore relationships when things go wrong.

By building and maintaining positive, respectful relationships within a school, staff to staff, staff to student and student to student, issues are more easily managed.

Restorative Practice is based on a set of best practice tools and techniques to support a consistent and sustainable approach to managing positive, respectful relationships within the school.

One of the tools we were given by Margaret Thorsborne, our Restorative Practice facilitator, was a set of dialogue starters to help facilitate **restorative chats** between students when something goes wrong. Teachers have been having great success using this approach to resolve conflict between students respectfully.



### To the person responsible:

What happened?  
What were you thinking at the time?  
Who was affected by what you did?  
How do you think it was for ..... when you.....?  
What do you need to do to make things right?  
How can we make sure this doesn't happen again?  
What can I help you do?

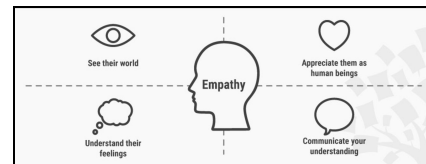
### To the person harmed:

What happened?  
What did you think when it happened?  
How has it affected you?  
How do you think it was for ..... when you.....?  
What do you need to do to make things right?  
How can we make sure this doesn't happen again?  
What can I help you do?



One life-long relationship skill being developed through this approach is **empathy**.

By asking "How do you think it was for .... when you.....?" the person responsible activates their '**empathy eyes**' and develops being able to 'see' what they did from the other person's perspective. This then helps them know how to make it right with the person and what they could do differently next time.



Chris Warren, our school's Restorative Practice Coach, has met with members of the Senior Leadership to begin putting together an action plan for embedding Restorative Practice at Rototuna Primary School. We will keep you informed as we try new ways of strengthening relationships and collaboration at our place.

**Next week...** I will share a little bit with you about educationally powerful learning partnerships with parents.

Ngā mihi nui  
**Kylie Morris**

## Special School Event

Thank you to all of the parents who attended our Open Afternoon on Friday to check out their child's SPOTLIGHT learning portal and celebrate their child's learning success with them!



## Reminders from the Office

### Student Absences

Please let the office know about absences or late arrival by 9.10am **each day** that your child will be away for student safety. You can email us using the Absentee link on the school app or phone us directly and leave a message on the absentee line 853 2470. Please remember that students must be clear of any vomiting or diarrhoea symptoms for 24 hours before returning to school. This helps other students and our staff to stay healthy and well. Long term absence for holidays must be advised in writing to: [reception@rototunaprimary.school.nz](mailto:reception@rototunaprimary.school.nz)

### Correct Contact Details

The office staff have found a number of parents are not contactable due to out of date phone numbers or emails. If you have changed your mobile, email, work number or moved house please let us know so that we can update our records.



### Lost Property

If your child has lost an item of clothing, please check the blue drums in the hall.

### School Banking

First Credit Union enrolment forms available at the office. Initial deposit of \$5 then any amount following to help your child with regular saving goals. Students receive a banking book to follow their savings record and see their savings grow. Deposits are collected from the Credit Union Lock box in the office each Thursday and books returned to students the following Monday.



## Special Events

### TRIVIA NIGHT!

Come and join the fun at our Annual Trivia Night, brought to you by Rototuna Primary School PTA with our main event sponsor Harcourts! Friday 21st June from 7pm.

*Special*  
**EVENT**

This year's theme is 'Legends of Music', so grab some friends for your table of eight, book the babysitter and dust off those music related costumes. Who will you transform into? Will you be the 2019 Trivia Champions? Will you be crowned Best Dressed?

As well as the trivia, there will be lots to entertain you, auctions, raffles, mystery balloons and more! Supper is provided and a cash/eftpos bar is available. One lucky attendee will also win a \$500 travel voucher, generously provided by Memento Group!

Trivia Night is always very popular and often sells out, so don't hesitate, book your table NOW!

Tickets for your table of eight are \$160 and can be purchased via Kindo or by emailing [pta@rototunaprimarv.school.nz](mailto:pta@rototunaprimarv.school.nz)

We look forward to seeing you at the Legends of Music Trivia Night!



**HELP  
Needed!**

We would still appreciate a few more helpers!


The funds raised will benefit all students of Rototuna

It is a fun night so please consider giving up a bit of your time to help raise funds for the school. If you can help please email [pta@rototunaprimarv.school.nz](mailto:pta@rototunaprimarv.school.nz)

## ICAS

The **International Competitions and Assessments for Schools** take place each year in schools throughout New Zealand, Australia, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Brunei, the Pacific Region and South Africa. The competitions provide students and teachers with the opportunity to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. The ICAS exams assess higher order thinking and problem-solving skills needed for your chosen exams.

These assessments are available for **children in Year 4, 5 and 6**. They are aimed at students who are above in these areas or demonstrate ability. Please complete registrations via Kindo if you wish your child to participate in the following competition(s).

ICAS Subject	Entry fee for each assessment	ICAS Sitting Date	
Science	\$16.00	Thursday 5th September 2019	
Spelling	\$16.00	Thursday 12th September 2019	
*Writing	\$16.00	Tuesday 10th September 2019	
English	\$16.00	Tuesday 17th September 2019	
Mathematics	\$16.00	Thursday 19th September 2019	

**\*All assessment are now online apart from year 4 and year 5 writing.**

All students receive a Certificate and an individual Student Report indicating which questions/aspects they answered correctly, as well as the average mark for New Zealand students of the same age. Further information on the competitions can be found on the Educational Assessment Australia website – [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au), or by calling, 0800 778 010, or by email at [info@eaa.unsw.edu.au](mailto:info@eaa.unsw.edu.au). Your child can also prepare for ICAS using Practice Online. Practice Online tests are available for English, Mathematics and Science. Find out more about Practice Online at [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/practice-online](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/practice-online)

Should you wish your child to take part in these competitions, please complete registration and payment via Kindo **no later than Monday 1st JULY**

## Team Pukeko School Show - Year 5

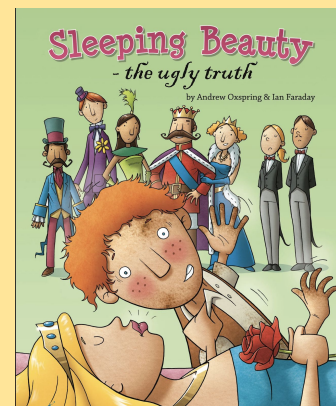
This term, as part of the Arts curriculum, team Pukeko have been learning about dance and drama. To support this learning we have been putting together a production. We are very excited and putting a lot of effort into learning our roles.

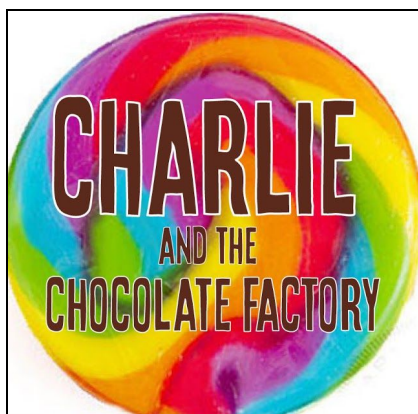
Sleeping Beauty - The Ugly Truth. The dates for these are as following:

**Evening Performance:** Wednesday 26th June @ 6pm **90 tickets left!!!**

**Evening Performance:** Thursday 27th June @ 6pm **126 to go!**

Tickets are \$4.00 per seat and are **ON SALE NOW** via **KINDO** each family is limited to Max of 4 tickets initially.





**ARTZONSHOW.**

**Artz on Show School Holiday  
Performing Arts Workshop**

This is a fun yet educational week for students  
aged 5 – 15 years.

Students participate in a range of performing arts classes,  
concluding the week with a performance!

15 - 19 July 2019, 9 am – 4 pm daily  
Held at Southwell School

*View our website; [www.artzonshow.co.nz](http://www.artzonshow.co.nz)  
or contact Hayley on either  
[artz@artzonshow.co.nz](mailto:artz@artzonshow.co.nz) or 09 294 7129*



Chapel Hill Kindergarten is a local community kindergarten in  
Rototuna. We offer education, care and security in a stimulating and  
safe environment where children are encouraged to become  
independent and creative learners.

We currently have spaces available for children from 2.5 years old.  
Please feel free to pop in for a visit at 2 Cate Road, or give us a call  
on 854 1295 for more information.



**Martial Arts - Rototuna School hall**

Monday 6.00 - 7.00pm, beginners welcome

Wednesday 5.30 to 6.30pm, juniors age 4+

Wednesday 6.30 to 7.30pm, seniors age 12+

**ENROLLING NEW STUDENTS NOW**

**FIRST CLASS FREE**

Contact Marie

P or T 027 497 0499

E [enquiries@tkma.co.nz](mailto:enquiries@tkma.co.nz)



Most of the highlights will include basic computer building, vintage videogames, Microsoft office training, typing tutor & Minecraft.



Learning the information technology environment at an early age gives individuals the edge.

A Perfect balance of 40% learning & 60% fun ratio, this program will include but is not limited to:

<p><b>Microsoft Office</b> An intro to Word, Excel, Outlook and Powerpoint</p>	<p><b>Email</b> Email explained, simplified and why it's necessary in today's world</p>	<p><b>Internet</b> Intro to a Web Browser: the do's and do not's</p>	<p><b>Typing Tutoring</b> Keyboard knowledge and typing games</p>
<p><b>Vintage Computer Games</b> Gaming Without Gore</p>	<p><b>Mindcraft</b> Kids favorite! With different scenarios and projects every day</p>	<p><b>PC Building</b> Disassemble and reassemble a desktop computer from scratch</p>	

Ages 8 to 13, 10% early bird discount and 10% volume discount available.  
Full 2 weeks program Mon to Fri \$800, or \$100 per individual days.

Check in 7:30am to 9:00am.

Check out from 4:00pm to 5:30pm.



Please Contact Us on 0211139775 or [info@rutechsavvy.com](mailto:info@rutechsavvy.com)

[www.rutechsavvy.com](http://www.rutechsavvy.com)

## The Annual Fairfield Intermediate PTA GARAGE SALE!

**We want your  
UNWANTED HOUSEHOLD GOODS!**

Bikes, furniture, clothing,  
books – as long as it is not  
broken (no computer  
equipment or TV's please)



Drop off during school hours to  
the main office (Clarkin Road).

If you require pickup of large items please email  
[mail@fairfieldintermediate.school.nz](mailto:mail@fairfieldintermediate.school.nz)  
or phone 855 9718 and leave your address and phone  
number.

**Fundraising for digital and literacy  
resources.**

**BRING YOUR OWN BAG!**

**Garage Sale to be held at Fairfield  
Intermediate – Saturday 29 June**