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Randwick School Newsletter Wednesday 14th April

Kia Ora, Talofa, Malo e lelei, Kamusta, Malo ni, Kia orana, Ní hao 你好, Namaste, Ní sa bula, Chào, Vanakkam, Hola!, Greetings!

From The Principal

Randwick School - where kind people are our kinda people.

Kia ora koutou

Happy Ramadan to our Muslim friends and whānau. See below to learn a little more about about Ramadan./

We are now in the final week of what has been a fantastic first term of school. The students and staff have fully embraced our focus on Whakamana - enhancing mana, and it has been amazing to see how connected and engaged students have been with this learning. We are looking forward to building on this work next term and providing more opportunities for our students to develop confidence and resilience and reach their full potential.

We have had another very busy week with our younger students attending the Fundamental Movement Skills programme at Hutt Park last Wednesday, our Food Festival last Friday and on Monday our Year 7&8 intermediate students went sailing on Wellington harbour. Check out the photos below and click here to see a video of our Hip Hop crew performing at the Food Festival.

Randwick School Hip Hop Food Fest Performa...



I'd like to thank Samara Poutawa for the amazing job that she has done of teaching Kowhai this term and leading the Ngā Waekura team. We have been very fortunate to have had her expertise, passion and positive attitude and the students in Kowhai have been incredibly lucky. Samara will be working part time in the school next term before going on maternity leave.

I'd also like to thank the staff for their incredible work this term. They have put so much effort into enhancing the mana of all of our students and have fully embraced the Te Ara Whakamana / Mana Enhancement programme that we are implementing this year. Our staff will be attending another day of training for this programme these holidays so the work never stops for them. Please take the time to thank them for all that they do for your tamariki when you see them.

In line with our intention to enhance the mana of our students we also want to Whakamana our staff so this year we are changing the name for what we have previously called teacher aides. They will now be known as kaiawhina, which means to support as there job is very important and we wanted to acknowledge that. Our kaiawhina have

been asked to be called Laura, Caro, Upoko, Millie, Whaea Rose, Whaea Roz, Whaea Louise and Whaea Naomi.

We have the Guess the Lolly Jar Competition and a number of raffles going in the office. Please come along and buy a ticket or two from the office or buy some tickets at our end of term assembly this Friday.

We would like to develop a school set of karakia that our students and whānau connect to. Each day students in every class will be able to choose the karakia that they would like to say. We would love it if you could share any karakia / prayers that are special to you and your whānau. These may be in any language but we would really appreciate it if you give us the English translation as well so that students understand the meaning. We have created a slide show for you to add your karakia to. Please put your child's name(s) on the slide with your karakia. Please click on this link and request access to add your karakia. [Randwick School Karakia](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1U7tgrKBbPOXuGEPj_rBX6hsYU6Z5oQzVCS31e58nkrk/edit#slide=id.p) (https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1U7tgrKBbPOXuGEPj_rBX6hsYU6Z5oQzVCS31e58nkrk/edit#slide=id.p)

We have set up a kai, health products and clothing pantry outside the library for families to take items that you may need in the home. We ask that you only take things that you need and just take one or two items so that there is plenty for everyone. We would also like to encourage people to donate items to the pantry for others to take.

Sausage sizzle is this Friday and the funds raised go towards our Sports Scholarship Fund. Sausages are \$2 which can be paid to classroom teachers before morning tea on Thursdays.

The JittaBugz van is available to pick students up from Naenae Primary hall at 8.10am and BP Waiwhetu about 8.30am. If you would like a ride you just need to sign a permission form in the office and then use the van when you need to. Joy is also available to help with pick ups if required - just get in touch at the office.

Our end of term assembly is this Friday at 9.00am and we would love for you to come along and share our celebrations for the term. Remember to dress up in your house colours to earn points for your house.

Please call in for a chat if you have any concerns or just for a catch up.

Ngā mihi
Simonne



Randwick School

Kaiawhina

Meet Joy Faiumu – our new Kaiawhina

Joy will be available on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 9am-3pm to help our whanau with:

- Attendance
- Lateness
- Food Parcels
- Pickups and Drop offs in Lower Hutt
- If you just want to talk and need a hand with something let me know

Cellphone: 027 576 9254

I will also be teaching Te Reo Extension (Nga Reo Reka) every Friday during the middle block



New students

Welcome to the following students and their whānau. We are delighted to have you join the Randwick School whānau and look forward to getting to know you.

Hemi Ross who has joined Te Marama and is Hone's younger brother.

Atua Māori Point of View writing

The students in kowhai have completed some amazing point of view writing taking on the perspective of different Atua Māori. Check out some of their great writing.

I am the second oldest sibling, trapped between my parents.

I am hurting, frustrated and angry.

I want to fight my way out of this darkness. There are bright lights flashing in front of me.

Gusts of cold air knock me off balance.

In the light, I became Atua of man and war.

I am a teacher and role model for all tane.

I give you the spirit to fight the hate and energy that erupts. When I am stressed, I get angry.

Above all else I'm good looking.

Young tane aspire to be like me.

I am skilled at using a patu and taiaha.

I am Tumatauenga.

By Kaelyn

My brothers and I are stuck between our parents embrace, giving us no room to stand or walk but crawl. I strongly want to get out of this infinite darkness that surrounds me.

I'm furious, I'm irritated, I'm angry. Confusion builds up within me, as I wonder what's out there. Is it dangerous? Is it safe? My brothers and I discussed prising them apart. I laid my back on my mother and placed my feet on my father. I used all the strength I had in my body and pushed. Finally they were separated. Now that they're part, there is life.

I became the Atua of forest, birds and everything else that dwells within it.

I am a provider. I provide you with food that grows on my trees, I give oxygen to my people. I cover my mother with my trees, bushes and plants like a blanket for warmth.

People aspire to be like me. They listen to my legends and korero whakapapa about me and wish they could be as strong, brave or persistent as me. I, Tane-Mahuta, am the bringer of knowledge and survival.

By Kyras

I am the Atua of wind and weather.

I am sad and strongly angry when it's stormy and raining, but when it's sunny I forgive my brothers sometimes.

Now I am blind and I live with my father because I don't want him to be lonely and by himself. Sometimes I can hear him and see him crying. He is sad that he has been separated from Papatuanuku, our Earth Mother.

Thanks to my brothers they have been separated.

I can never forgive them.

I am wild with the wind because I can't see. I got so angry to the point where I ripped out my eyes and they turned into stars. When it's sunny I am really happy but when it rains I'm angry.

I am unpredictable. I am wild.

By Andre

Tane-Mahuta

I am frustrated and squashed. I am curious and anxious.

I wonder what would happen if I separated my parents. My two brothers tried to but they failed. I put my legs on my father and my back on my mother as leverage. With all my strength I PUSHED and I PUSHED and I separated them. I stepped out and there was life. I am now the Atua of the Forest and I am the creator of trees and animals. I was responsible for my mother being naked so I covered her with my nature like a blanket.

I give you a lot of things. I give you oxygen to breathe, I give you trees that make houses for you. I provide you with food that grows on my trees, bushes, or ground.

Please look after me because I look after you.

By Sini

I am the grandchild of Papatuanuku and Ranginui. I gave you longer days and provided you with the North Island of Aotearoa. I am the mighty demigod who pulled up New Zealand with my giant hook.

I am a shapeshifter and can turn into a bird that can fly, a small bug that can crawl and any animal you can imagine.

I am the demigod who gave you fire.

When you look at the sky it reminds you of how I slowed down the sun to give you longer days. Without me you would have had shorter days with no photosynthesis.

There would be no time for hunting or fishing.

I am a strong, brave and fearless leader.

I am Maui.

By Fred

<p>Ramadan</p>	<p>Ramadan is a holy month celebrated by Muslims around the world. This year it started on 12th April and lasts for one month.</p> <p>It is believed to be the month in which the Qur'an (the religious text of Islam) was revealed to the prophet Muhammed.</p> <p>Ramadan takes place in the ninth month of the Islamic calendar when the first sliver of the crescent moon appears.</p> <p>Ramadan is a quiet, reflective time of worship, prayer, helping others, and spending time with loved ones.</p> <p><i>"Ramadan Mubarek"</i> and <i>"Ramadan Kareem"</i> are common greetings during the holy month and mean <i>"Have a Blessed or Generous Ramadan."</i></p> <p>Muslims that are 12 or older fast during Ramadan, not eating or drinking anything between sunrise and sunset. Fasting reminds Muslims to appreciate their blessings and to help those in need.</p> <p>Families get up for an early meal before the sun rises called <i>suhoor</i>, and the fast is broken with an evening meal after the sun sets called <i>iftar</i>.</p>
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<p>Free Morning Tea Kai</p>	<p>Now that our free school lunches programme has been up and running for a few months we have had some useful feedback on how it can be improved and what the students enjoy about it. We will be putting out a whānau survey next term to get your feedback but in the meantime we would like to introduce free morning tea kai at school as well. We are committed to providing free and healthy kai for all of our students and want to decrease the cost to whānau for providing kai. Every day we are making up platters for each class including fresh fruit, fruit pots, snack bars and scroggin so students no longer need to bring their own food. We are hoping that this will also cut down the number of chippie packets and unhealthy food that we are seeing at school. We know that packaged food is cheaper and easier so if we can help solve that problem and provide healthy food for our students it's a win win situation for everybody.</p>
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<p>Fundamental Movement Skills Day</p>	<p>Students from Ngā Whetu, Pohutukawa and Te Awa got to go to Hutt Park last week to participate in a range of fun activities that taught them a range of fundamental skills. They had a fantastic time and showed the Randwick Way and values with the positive way that they participated.</p>
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<p>Food Festival</p>	<p>Thanks everyone for the awesome effort at our Food Festival last week - it was so great to see our community coming together to share and value the diverse ethnic groups that make up our school. So far we have raised approximately \$3100 and we hope to raise more with the sale of the remaining raffle tickets that we have.</p>
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Year 7&8 Sailing

Every term we provide a special opportunity for our Year 7&8 intermediate students. This term the students were very lucky to go sailing on Wellington harbour with Ocean Sports. The usual cost for this activity is \$47 per student plus transport but our students were able to attend for free due to the generous sponsorship of Alan and the team at Seaview Marina and our Fees Free funding. They had an amazing day and learnt many new skills. For most of the students this was their first time sailing and they overcame their fears and challenges to have a really successful day.



Whakatauki

I thought I'd share a whakatauki in each newsletter for you to think about. If you have any whakatauki that are special to you, please share them with me by emailing principal@randwick.school.nz and I will share them in the newsletter.

Tama tu, tama ora; tama noho, tama mate kai.

He who stands lives; he who sits, perishes

Assemblies

Assembly is every second Friday and the next assembly is this Friday 16th April. This is our end of term assembly where we will be celebrating our successes for the term. The children love seeing you there and especially love it when you wear your house colours to earn points. All children are encouraged to dress in their house colours and the 2 best dressed at each assembly will get a prize.

Te Reo Phrases

This week we are learning about Ngā Tau - Numbers. Practise learning your numbers and try some basic facts sums using +, -, x and ÷ as a whānau.

Ngā Tau - Numbers

kore - zero
tahi - one
rua - two
toru - three
whā - four
rima - five
ono - six
whitu - seven
waru - eight
iwa - nine
tekau - ten

Tekau mā tahi - eleven
rua tekau - twenty
whā tekau mā ono - forty six
Kotahi rau - one hundred
rima rau - five hundred
kotahi mano - one thousand
Kotahi mirona - one million

+ tāpiri
- tango
x whakanuia e
÷ wehea e
= ōrite

Atua Māori Art Competition

The Pride Challenge for the next few weeks is to create a drawing of one of the Atua Māori / Māori Gods from the Creation Story. We will be having an Art Competition and there will be a prize for the best drawing for each atua. These need to be of a really high quality as we will have the winning entries digitally made into professional artworks to be displayed around the school. Work on your drawings over the Easter break and school holidays and bring your entries along to school. The atua from the Creation Story are:

Ranginui - Sky Father

Papatuanuku - Earth Mother

Rongo-mā-tāne - Kaitiaki of cultivated foods

Māui - demi god, shape shifter

Rūamoko - Kaitiaki of volcanoes, earthquakes and changing seasons

Tūmatauenga - Kaitiaki of war and strife

Tāwhirimātea - Kaitiaki of weather, wind and storms

Tangaroa - Kaitiaki of the oceans, lakes and rivers

Tāne Mahuta - Kaitiaki of the Forest

All students that enter will earn house points and the overall winners will win Warehouse vouchers.



For the safety of students please do NOT use the school driveway for picking up and dropping off your child/ren. Students can be dropped off at the pedestrian entrance gates to our school.

Important Dates

2021 Important Dates

16th April - Friday	End of Term Assembly	9.00am
16th April - Friday	Term 1 finishes at 3.00pm	3.00pm
Term 2 Dates	May 3rd to July 9th	
Term 3 Dates	July 26th to Oct 1st	
Term 4 Dates	18th October to 16th Dec	



Principal Awards

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Congratulations to our last principal award winners -Skyla and Jahlaizah. Skyla for her can do attitude and love of learning and Jahlaizah for great leadership and responsibility. Who will it be this week?

Student of the Week



Naylee – Student of the Week

Naylee you are an amazing role model, learner, and Randwick student. We admire the way you give everything a go and take risks. We have been very proud to see you show your strengths and skills and share them with our class.

Every one of your classmates describes you as kind, friendly, and caring. You raise your own Mana and others by being so supportive and true to yourself. Naylee you show us what courage looks like when you use your voice to share your thinking, and stand up for what you believe in. We really enjoy your sense of humour and how you bring us lots of fun and laughter!

You are focused during learning time and you always ask for help when you are stuck. You are equally willing to help other people which makes our class an amazing place to be. You are creative and calm and you take that approach to all of your learning. You are a great group member who shares her thinking.

You have made amazing progress this year. You have been doing lots of fantastic thinking, making connections to your own life, and sharing your new learning in different ways. Myself and everyone in our class is really proud of you.

Learning Websites

This is an excellent site for students to keep up with what is happening in the world from a kid's perspective.
<https://www.stuff.co.nz/national/kea-kids-news>



SICK CHILD

If your child has a 'tummy bug' please keep them home for 48 hours after the last episode of being sick.

This is a recommendation from our Public health Nurse.

ABSENT CHILD/REN

When you make contact with the school to advise your child/ren are away please **always** give an explanation.

It is a requirement for the school to explain on each students record why they are away, and unfortunately if you ring up to advise they are absent, but give no explanation, then it is recorded as 'explained but not justified'.

If we have no contact from the absent students caregivers then the student is marked as 'truant'.

All our attendance information is forwarded automatically to the Ministry of Education




BEST WISHES over the next 7 days

Xavier, Kahtel and any students or staff having a birthday during the holidays

NOTICE BOARD

Holiday Programme

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Holiday Programme



**LEARN
GROW
PLAY**

**KIWI
HOOPS
CAMPS**

APRIL CAMPS

DATES: 20th - 28th April, 2021

AGE: 5 to 13 Years Old

VENUE: Walter Nash Stadium, Lower Hutt

For more information and to register, visit www.capitalbasketball.org

Holiday Programme




Circus School Holiday Programme!


The Circus Hub in Wellington offer circus classes that are fun, exciting and challenging. Skills taught include aerial silks, trapeze, acrobatics, juggling and more! A great activity to develop coordination, perseverance, creativity and confidence. For ages 5-15 years.

We also run classes for all ages preschool to adults.
Bookings essential, book online today at www.circus.org.nz

Well Being Coordinator

Randwick School Well Being Coordinator - Please see the attachment (/Media/Get/3164d5ee-660a-4bd6-9a28-5313e69118d1)  (/Media/Get/3164d5ee-660a-4bd6-9a28-5313e69118d1)

Public Health Nurse

Do you have questions related to your child's Health/ Just drop in to see our school public health nurse. Sophie is available on Tuesdays from 11am to 12noon. Please see the attached notice from Sophie. (/Media/Get/2d1e0642-c87a-4cbe-868d-6b0a55ab095b)  (/Media/Get/2d1e0642-c87a-4cbe-868d-6b0a55ab095b)

FREE SPORTS GEAR

Hutt City Council has started up a Sports Bank at Kokiri Marae. If you come to the office we can give you a card that you can take to the marae to get free sports gear that you might need. This is a great opportunity so please encourage your children to get active and help them by getting some free gear.

COMMUNITY SPORTS BANK

Your local Community Sports Bank has sports gear to get families active, get friends together and ease the effects of the last few months on everyone's mental health.

Community Sports Banks are a drop off point for unused or outgrown sports gear, and for that gear to be picked up and used by kids, teenagers and adults that would otherwise not be able to afford it. Sport poverty is a growing issue within our communities with three main barriers to sport participation; subs/fees, equipment costs, and transport. The aim of the Community Sports Banks is to reduce/eliminate the cost of equipment for those in need and by this, increase sport participation and get more people active.

We will drop in some Community Sport Bank cards soon. Please give these out to kids or whanau that might not otherwise be able to access sports gear, they can take the card to their local Community Sports Bank and get free sports gear (including new mouthguards).

I've also attached a small notice for your school newsletter to let students and whanau know about the sports bank and encourage sports gear to be dropped off.

Please also encourage students/parents to offer rides to neighbours or friends who might like to play a sport, but might not be able to get to games/trainings. There are often plenty of spare seats in cars. Some sports clubs also have a selection of second hand boots/gear for a small cost, to enable cheaper participation.

Your nearest Community Sports Bank is:

Kokiri Marae

7-9 Barnes Street

Seaview, Lower Hutt

Open Monday - Friday 8am-5pm

For more information, visit our facebook page:

www.facebook.com/CommunitySportsBank (<http://www.facebook.com/CommunitySportsBank>)

Community Sports Bank - Home | Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/CommunitySportsBank>)

Community Sports Bank, Wellington, New Zealand. 290 likes. Sport Poverty is a growing issue within our communities with three main barriers to sport participation; subs/fees, equipment costs, and...

www.facebook.com (<http://www.facebook.com/>)

Whats On at Moera Community House

Please see the attachments to see what is on at Moera Community House.

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Lina's Fit Flex	Lina's Fit Flex (/Media/Get/de2382b9-c80d-4964-bc80-52cc9b75b6fd)  (/Media/Get/de2382b9-c80d-4964-bc80-52cc9b75b6fd)
Sit and Be Fit	Sit and be Fit (/Media/Get/14feeb75-9f87-4507-8378-ae3811be71cc)  (/Media/Get/14feeb75-9f87-4507-8378-ae3811be71cc)
Crafts	Crafts (/Media/Get/da433c25-236a-4cfd-b4fd-da456007245d)  (/Media/Get/da433c25-236a-4cfd-b4fd-da456007245d)
Spec Savers	Kids go free at Spec Savers (/Media/Get/746cc192-f84b-4216-ae75-a5bb34b86aa2)  (/Media/Get/746cc192-f84b-4216-ae75-a5bb34b86aa2)
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SCHOOL CELLPHONE

027 5685621

Please only TXT to the school cellphone if your child is absent.

There is no longer the option to leave a message.

You can phone the school landline if you want to leave a message.

04 5685621



PHONE

Landline – 04 568 5621

Mobile – 027 568 5621 (txting only)



ABSENTEES

Please notify the school if your child is away. Don't forget to leave an explanation.

Phone 568 5621 or txt 027 568 5621



A big thank you to the Sai Community Group who have been supporting our school for many years.



We would like to thank Placemakers Hutt City for their very generous support



Thank you to Brockelsby's Plumbing & Gasfitting Ltd for their generous support of Milo and Sugar for the Breakfast Club

Response form

My child would like to learn to sing or lean a musical instrument in term 2 *

☐ Yes ☒ No

My child's name and classroom *

Please choose from the list below *

- ☐ Singing
- ☐ Ukulele
- ☐ Guitar

Signature: