



Title Randwick School Newsletter Wednesday 30 June / Rāapa 30 Pipiri

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

Thanks to everyone that braved the wet and freezing weather to come to learning conversations today. These meetings continue today from 3.30-6.00pm. If you haven't been able to make a time to meet with the classroom teacher please contact the office or email the teacher directly to make a time. We have an expectation that all whānau will attend these important learning meetings for your children.

Thanks also for your co-operation in operating at Covid level 2. Everyone now has a really good idea of our procedures and these are working really well. We are now back at level 1 and hope that it stays this way.

Due to the level 2 restrictions the Dance Festival that was supposed to be on yesterday is now next Wednesday - see the notice below.

Next Tuesday 6th July we have a trip to Junglerama and Jumperama to celebrate the end of term and Matariki. A separate notice will come home for you today to give permission and offer to provide help with supervision. Please ensure that you complete the form so that your child/ren can attend and ensure that all technology and / or sports fees owed to the school are paid so that your child/ren can attend.

There are a lot of bugs and sickness out there at the moment but we have noticed that on wet days, attendance is very low. Please only keep your children home for justified reasons. We know how important attendance is and we see every year how it affects children with low attendance. We can provide raincoats and can help with transport when we can. Please get in touch if you need help as we really want to support you to get your tamariki to school. For those that have less than 90% attendance we are going to have to follow up with Attendance Services as it is a legal requirement to ensure that your child/ren attends school regularly. Please come and talk to us if you need support in this area.

On the last day of term (Friday 9th July) we will be holding our usual end of term assembly, followed by an opportunity for you to visit your child/ren's classrooms to see what learning they have been involved in this year. Following that, we are inviting whānau to come to the hall for a shared Matariki soup menu.

As part of our Matariki celebration, we want students and whānau to understand the importance of giving back to the community. Following the successful introduction of the school cap, we would like to introduce a school beanie for the winter months. The idea is that those who have shown responsibility and cared for the school cap that they were given earlier in the year will be given a school beanie to help keep them warm over winter. If your child has brought home a school cap, please return it to school so that they can receive a beanie as these are paid for by the school and are expected to stay at school. We don't want children and whānau to just expect the school to provide these beanies, so on the last day of term the First Class Helpers have come up with a number of ideas to help fundraise for the beanies and contribute to the cost of them. Whānau are invited to send along baked items that we will sell on the day and we are also asking whānau to make a gold coin donation for our Matariki soup meal and ask that if you are able to that you buy raffles on the day to support this project, that you do. If you are able to provide baking and / or raffles on the day we would really appreciate your support and the First Class Helpers will send out more information about this over the next few days.

We have been donated 3 annual boat ramp passes for Seaview Marina. These can be used for launching boats at the marina and expire in April 2022. They are valued at \$135 each but we will sell them for \$80 each. If you would like to buy one or know anyone that would like to buy one, please come and see us in the office.

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 next assembly is this Friday 25th June 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 or cultural clothing 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



New students

Welcome to Kiara who has joined us in Te Rangi Tako this week. We are really excited to have her join the Randwick whānau and look forward to getting to know her.

SCHOOL PHOTOS - THIS COMING MONDAY

Envelopes were sent home earlier this week for school photo choices. If you wish to order any photos please fill in the envelope details, either put the cash in the envelope or pay on line and seal the envelope.

The office does not deal with payments for school photos.

Matariki

On Friday 9th of July, we're having a celebration for Matariki which is a time of reflection, remembrance and renewal.

At 9.00am we will have our end of term assembly and then about 10:00am whānau will go to classrooms and spend time finding out about our learning over the last 2 terms. At 12:00pm we will be serving soup that our classes have individually made. This will be held in the hall of Randwick School and we ask all adults that attend to make a gold coin donation.

There will be raffles for sale including meat packs, a paint voucher, a food hamper and a wheel alignment voucher. These will be available within the assembly time, when we go around the school and when lunch is served.

This is a fundraiser for our new school beanies that we have bought for every student in the school.

We're also holding a bake stall and a notice will come home over the next few days asking for your help with this. Please put the date in your diary as we would love to have a really good turnout of whānau.

The notice will also ask you to confirm the number of adults attending the Matariki lunch so that we can cater for everyone.

Dance Festival

Dance Festival Event Information (POSTPONEMENT DATE:)

- **Date:** Wednesday 7th July

- **Time:** 4pm - 6pm (approx. finish time - may finish earlier depending on the number of performances)

- **Venue:** Taita College Hall - 188 Eastern Hutt Road

- **Covid Update:** This will only happen if we are in Alert Level 1. Final call will be made on Monday 5th July by 3pm.

Free Morning Tea Kai

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.

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.



Assemblies

Assembly is every second Friday and the next assembly is next Friday 9th July at 9.00am. This is our special end of term assembly followed our Matariki learning celebration and soup lunch. 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 / or cultural clothing and the 2 best dressed at each assembly will get a prize.

Te Reo Phrases

Here is our kupu for this week.

Measurement exploration

Pakihiwi	full length of the arm, from shoulder to fingertips.
Aronui	arm span
Tuke	length from the elbow to the fingertips (cubit).
Kōnui	length of the first joint of the thumb.
Kōiti	length of the little finger.
Matikara	span of outspread fingers from the tip of the thumb to the tip of the little finger.
Ringa	width of the hand.
Awanui	width of two hands (fingers closed) plus length of thumbs (outstretched with their tips touching).

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

30th June - Wednesday	Learning Conversations	3.30pm to 6pm
5th July - Monday	School Photos	
6th July - Tuesday	Junglerama/Jumperama Trip	12.30pm to 2.30pm
7th July - Wednesday	Dance Festival - Taita College Hall	4pm to 6pm
9th July - Friday	Matariki Celebration	
9th July - Friday	Assembly - Last day of School	Finish at 3.00pm
26th July	First day Term 3	
26th July - 6th August	Build and play trailer	
11th August	Nearly 5 club	
11th August	Whanau Hui	
17th August	Board of Trustees Meeting	
22nd Sept - 1st Oct	Dental Van visit	
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's Award winners Amelia Rose and Ruby . Amelia Rose for always showing a love of learning and Ruby for showing leadership and confidence. Come along to our end of term assembly next Friday in the hall at 9am to see who will receive next week's awards.

Student of
the Week





Jahlayze Ratahi – Student of the Week

Jahlayze, you are truly the embodiment of a great Randwick kid. It has been my privilege to have you in my class not only as a Year 3, but also a Year 4 and now as a Year 7. Over the years I have come to know you well through our many great and often lengthy chats.

I learned about your curiosity. You ask the most amazing questions about the world around you and are truly a budding philosopher. Sometimes the questions you ask blow my mind with their complexity and creativity (we will come to this more in a minute). When I think of the phrase, 'life long learner' you are someone that comes to my mind. You don't settle for the simple answers, you search for the deeper meaning of things which is such a rare and admirable trait at your age.

Now we come to your incredible creativity, something that I couldn't help but pick up on very soon after I first met you. You are the definition of the term 'outside the box thinker'. When you come across a problem, you have a knack for finding novel and exciting ways of solving it. You are a talented artist and have an ability to convey meaning through your works with skill beyond your years, which I have seen over and over again in the comics that you love to create. Years ago, you made me an amazing canvas art piece about your day at the beach with your whanau, which featured shells, seaweed and a fish skeleton glued to it. You'll be pleased to know my parents looked after this for me while I was in London, and to this day it hangs in the bathroom of my family home!

You have an awesome sense of humour and a powerful and stoic positivity that consistently buoys those around you. I personally have been uplifted by your words, humour and attitude on many days and you make my days a lot more fun with your presence.

Above all else, you are gentle and kind towards everyone you encounter. Everyone has bad days when they don't feel themselves. It is not uncommon for these feelings to sometimes spill over and impact on others in a negative way. However, in the two and a half years that you have been in my classrooms, I am yet to hear a single student complain that you have upset them in the slightest way. You are so considerate of other people's feelings and as a result, you get along well with everyone you meet.

As I've said Jahlayze, you have been in my classes for almost 3 years now. It may have been a long time coming, but I can not think of a more deserving winner of this prestigious 'Student of the Week' award. A huge congratulations to you and your whanau.

Mr Lee

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



Sports News

NETBALL TERM 2 - TEAM BLUEJAYS

Date	Opposition	Time	Court
3rd July	Naenae Intermediate 7	9.30am	7

LAST WEEKS RESULTS

Date	Opposition	Result	Player of the day
26th June	Avalon Intermediate - Avalon All Stars	Game Cancelled	



BEST WISHES over the next 7 days

Amelia-Rose, Jahlaizah & Layshayda

NOTICE BOARD

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After School Art Classes - Petone	After School Art Classes (/Media/Get/3e728d77-bf96-4441-b2ac-2bed300e6f19) (/Media/Get/3e728d77-bf96-4441-b2ac-2bed300e6f19)
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>)

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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)
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Crafts	Crafts (/Media/Get/da433c25-236a-4cfd-b4fd-da456007245d)  (/Media/Get/da433c25-236a-4cfd-b4fd-da456007245d)
Regaining the Power	Regaining the Power (/Media/Get/ffac87de-81c5-46fd-a610-044311c847cb)  (/Media/Get/ffac87de-81c5-46fd-a610-044311c847cb)

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



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