



TERM 4

16 December - Year 6
Graduation

20 December - Last day

School finishes at 12.00
noon.



Our past Board Chairperson
Bruce Paton.



Our new Board Chairperson
James McCullough

TERM DATES 2014

Term 1 — 3rd February -
17th April

Term 2 — 5 May - 4th
July

Term 3 — 21st July - 26th
September

Term 4 — 13th October -
15 or 16 December

RUAKAKA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



PRIZE-GIVING 2013



*Congratulations to all
of our prize winners.
See more inside.
17 December 2014*



School starts back on Monday 3rd of February 2014.

MERRY KIRIHIMETE

Merry Christmas

NGA MIHI O TE TAU HOU

Happy New Year



A Balanced Education in a supportive environment

SCHOOL ORGANISATION UPDATE FOR 2014

As promised at Prize-giving, I am now able to update you in regard to the organization of the school for 2014. Thanks to the Board's forward planning, they will be funding an 8th teacher to start the year. This will mean we will start with smaller classes and it will also allow for more flexibility with placements of children with most classes being composite classes. At this stage we are not sure how many extra children we will have attending Ruakaka school as a result of the One Tree Point Enrolment scheme but we are anticipating that there will be extra children so we are well prepared.

We have appointed Kylie Smith who will take a Year2/3 class in Room 6. Kylie worked in Mr Ambridge's class earlier this year and will be a great addition to Ruakaka School. Welcome Kylie.

The bilingual class will be in Room 4. All children will be put into their classes for next year later this week.

We are also waiting to hear back from the Ministry about another project we are planning to implement, depending on funding, so I will let you know as soon as we hear.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Congratulations to our winners:

1st : Stella Mathewson

2nd : Linda Wells

3rd : Murray Hall

(Still to collect)



LIBRARY BOOKS JUNIOR READERS

Could we please have all library books and school readers back at school by Wednesday. Thank you.

SUNHATS / SWIMMING CAPS

All children are required to wear a sunhat to school every day during Terms 1 & 4.

They also require a swimming cap before they can swim.

FAREWELLS AND THANK YOUs



Thank you to Bruce Paton for the 12 years he has spent on our Board of Trustees and to Julie for her tireless work on our Support Group. Thank you to Mrs Sandra Wrack for the work you have done with our 5 year olds, and thank you to all of our past Board members.



PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

REMEMBER

GALA DAY 2014

Now 1st NOVEMBER

We will also be looking for drivers for the Beach and Boat fishing competition early next year, and also helpers for the Trail Bike Ride in April. Please come along and help.

Enrolments 2014

We will be open for enrolments on the Friday the 31st of January. If you know of any families who are in the area who you know will be coming to Ruakaka School next year, please ask them to contact us as soon as possible. Thank you.

RUAKAKA SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARADE FLOAT



If you would like your child to be part of our Christmas float, please phone the office and let us know. We definitely need more children. It is this Saturday the 21st of December.



GREEN GOLD AWARD ASSEMBLY



WE HAD A WONDERFUL DAY AT THE ZOO



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Notices

Scholastic Books

Scholastic Books are available at the office for collection - as some of these are gifts for Christmas, we don't want to hand them out to children. If you want yours to be given to your child, please phone the office. Thank you.

Afterschool care

Just a reminder that there will be no afterschool care this Friday.

School lunches

Please **do not** send your child to school without lunches this week as we have no food left for school lunch orders.

Also there will be NO lunch orders until the second week of term one next year.

Library Books

All library books need to be returned to school by the end of the week thank you.

School Stationery

A reminder that all class stationery lists will be made available within the first week of school 2014. You will be able to purchase your stationery here at school all our payment details will be on the bottom of the lists.

Extra bags

Please send your children along with extra bags this week to bring all there books and art work home.

Community notices

Ruakaka Christmas Parade

21st September 2013

Starts at 10-30 am come along and meet Santa and enjoy the Christmas cheer. The parade leaves the Marsden Tavern at 10.00am .

To register call Bert 4327228 or Roger 4328999

Waipu Christmas Parade

24th December parade starts at 7-00pm

1st prize \$1000.0 2nd prize \$500.0

To the best dressed spectator \$100.00

If you wish to register please call Judy on 4324000

Northland District Health is trying to reduce serious skin infections in children.

Geraldine your public health nurse can treat these infections by providing care and antibiotics etc.

If over the holidays your child gets boils or school sores please contact her on 0800-746-944 or 0214322091