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SCHOOL NOTICES

OLIVE OIL PICKING

Unfortunately there are no olives on the trees this year, so we won't be picking any.

WHANAU SUUPORT

Kia ora Whanau, Tauser here, your Whanau Support Worker. Just letting you all know that I am around to help or assist in the best way I can to help our tamariki reach their potential. My first fuzzy in the school newsletter is a big thank you to Rose Turner for her contribution at the Peter Snell Bus Stop. Thank you to those whanau for opening your doors to me so that we can connect.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

FREE FINANCIAL HEALTH CHECK

Learn how to make the most of your precious money – discover how to find the best banks and the lowest interest rates for your credit cards. Learn how to get ahead regardless of your financial level of income. Free supper and amazing giveaways on the night including two WOF gift vouchers from Wortelboer Motors, five \$20 gift vouchers from Monarch Beauty, a bag of goodies from Point Timber and some free cash in a starter bank accounts from Westpac bank. See www.baptistsavings.co.nz for more details or Ph 4327366. Tuesday 19 May at Lifepoint 300 One Tree Point Rd 7pm.

SPORT NORTHLAND

WINTER WARMERS

Tuna Pasta Bake

400g penne pasta
2x 180g cans of tuna
2C chopped vegetables
2x 400g cans of tomatoes

2tsp mixed herbs
½C edam cheese,
grated

Feeds a
family
of FIVE!

Preheat oven to 180°C. Cook pasta, drain and pour into an ovenproof dish.

In a bowl, mix tuna, vegetables, tomatoes and herbs. Combine with pasta, sprinkle with cheese and bake for 20 minutes.



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TERM 2

28 May—Interschool
Winter Sports

1 June - Queen's
Birthday Day

5 June - World
Environment & Arbor
Day

23 June - 26 June -
Matariki

2 Jul - Portfolios
Home

3 Jul - End of term 2



Have you found dub dub yet?? If so fill in a form at the office and pop it in the box.



Congratulations to Liam who found dub dub last month and won a \$50 voucher!

TERM DATES 2015

Term 2 - 20 April to
3 July

Term 3 - 20 July to
25 September

Term 4 - 12 October
to 18 December

RUAKAKA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



14th May 2015

Dear Parents / Caregivers

I hope you have all been enjoying the warm weather lately. What a great summer / autumn we have had. The wet weather is fast approaching, fires are about to be lit and heaters turned on.

Senior camp was a great success, below are some photos of camp.



Whakatauki (proverb) of the Week

Tangata ako ana i te whare, te turanga kit e marae. tau ana

A person who is taught at home, will stand collected on the Marae.

A Balanced Education in a supportive environment

PARENT INTERVIEWS

It has been great to see so many of you here for parent interviews over the past 2 weeks. There were plenty of smiling faces as you left so I can only guess that you were happy with the reports you received from your child's teacher. Remember to keep the communication open as this definitely helps your child's learning.

PARENT SURVEYS

So far we have received less than 10% of these back so if you have them sitting at home, please take the time to fill them on and send them back to school. Your name will go into the draw for a lovely hamper. Your feedback is so valuable and having read the ones returned so far, there are a couple of common threads which are going to be well worth following up on. Could we please have these back in by Monday 18th May.

FIFA Under 20 World Cup

Are you and/or your children interested in attending the Fifa U20 World Cup game at Toll Stadium on the 2nd of June between Myanmar (previously known as Burma) and Ukraine? Kick-off is at 1.00pm.

This is the 3rd largest sporting event in the world and will be an amazing part of history for our Northland kids to be a part of.

This game has been opened up for schools to attend at a reduced rate and so there are limited seats available and also buses. For this reason we have booked one bus, 50 seats for children and 10 adult seats. The school will be using our Kiwi Sport funding to heavily reduce the costs for children to go.

A notice was sent home last week and we would like all of these back to school by Tuesday please. There are still plenty of spaces left so there may not be a need for a draw. Those selected will be asked to pay \$2.00 per child and \$5.00 per adult. The children will need to be picked up from school after they return as the school buses would have already gone.

I will let the successful children and adults know on Wednesday and then ask for the money to be paid.

WHANAU SUPPORT PERSON

I would like to introduce Tauser Kingi to you all. Tauser has been employed as a Whanau Support person through funding we have received from the J.R.McKenzie Trust.

As a school, we offer a caring, loving environment where differences are celebrated and valued and children learn to be accepting of the uniqueness of others. Our staff work with these differences and the needs of our community in a way that is inclusive, and culturally sensitive. We focus on the positive and what we can offer to make a difference for all children. We take every opportunity we can to use the skills our whanau have to improve the school community in whatever way we can. This belief and partnership with the whanau is vital to improve the educational outcomes for our tamariki and is a key factor in our relationships within our learning community.

Some of you may have met Tauser at the bus stops lately and she will be in and out of the school most days. Her role is to be a guide, escort, counsellor, conductor, leader, and a mentor to support whanau and family to engage with their tamariki in our educational programmes.

This is an evolving role and we would appreciate any input from you in how you can see Tauser supporting all whanau to feel welcome, comfortable and linked to their child's learning – both at school and at home.

MISSING SLEEPING BAG

Sadly one of our children lost a very expensive sleeping bag at the recent senior camp. Here is a photo of what it looks like. The child desperately wants it back so if your child went to camp at the marae, could you please double check the gear that they brought home and if you find the sleeping bag, it would be wonderful to get it back to the family. Thank you.



WINTER SPORTS TOURNAMENT

This is to be held on Thursday the 28th of May. The sports involved will be mini ball, soccer, ripper rugby, netball and hockey.

If you are able to give up any time at all between now and then to come into the school for about an hour to coach a team, please let us know. We are happy to work in with you.

A note will be coming home very soon with more information.

ILLS AND CHILLS

We have had a tummy bug going through the school recently which has affected many children and staff. If your child is unfortunate enough to catch this, please ensure that they do not return to school until at least 24 hours after they have stopped vomiting and or had diarrhoea.

RUAKAKA ANGELS PLAYING 5 A-SIDE NETBALL

