

Notices

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2016 Dates

Term 1:
3rd February - 2nd April

Term 2:
20th April - 3rd July

Term 3:
20th July - 25th September

Term 4:
12th October - 15th
December

Website
www.ruakaka.school.nz

SCHOOL NOTICES

Buses - Can you please remind your children to wait until the bus has left the bus stop before trying to cross the road. We have recently had children trying to cross the road while the bus is still at the bus stop. The bus should be 2 power poles away from the stop before the children try to cross the road. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Show Day Cups - If your child received a cup at show day can you please return them to the office by the end of next week so we can organise for them to be engraved.

Prizegiving Trophy's - If you have any prizegiving trophy's at home, can you please return them to the office as soon as possible. We need them in soon so we can have them ready for this year's prizegiving. Thank you.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Jigsaw North - Quality Family Services. Jigsaw north provide counselling, therapy, family support and parenting programmes. Free for families with children under 18. Contact them on 09 438 8852, contact@jigsawnorth.org.nz or www.jigsawnorth.org.nz

Ruakaka Surf Life Saving - Junior Surf is for kids aged between 4 to 13 years. Your kids will learn surf sports and water safety. Club open day and enrolment 25th October 10am and 12pm. Junior surf starts 10 on Sn 1st November. For more info visit www.ruakakalifeguards.co.nz/junior-surf or Nicol on 022 354 9623.

Bream Bay College PTA - Tides Out Fun Run & Walk 5km & 10km. Sunday 8 November 2015, 9:25am start, \$15 Adult, \$5 Student. Contact Susan 432 1029, Maree 459 5628 or Marilyn 432 0373.

SPORT NORTHLAND

LUNCHBOX RECIPES

SANDWICHES

Keep sandwiches exciting with interesting fillings!

- peanut butter and banana
- grated apple and cinnamon
- mashed egg and lettuce



Great energy to learn and play!



Developed by Sport Waikato 2015



26 October - LABOUR DAY (no school)

27 October - BoT meeting 4:30

29 October - Grandparents Day

2 November - Senior Surfing Room 3 & 4

5 November - School Athletics

9 November to 19 November - Keeping ourselves safe

17 November - 2016 New entrance visit

25 November - VIP Morning tea

7 December - Year 6 Graduation Dinner

9 December - Junior Fun Day 12-2:30

Rooms 3, 4 & 5 to Goat Island



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



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

TERM DATES 2015

Term 4 - 12 October to 18 December

RUAKAKA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



22nd October 2015

Tena koutou katoa,
Welcome back to the last term of 2015. Where has the year gone? I have just returned from my niece's wedding in Melbourne and the weather was just as cold there as it is here on my return. I was disappointed to miss Show Day but I have had wonderful reports about the day. Well done everyone. Another great day at Ruakaka School.

Howick College Jazz Band



At the end of term 3 we were lucky enough to have a visit from The Howick College Jazz Band. They played to our children who were enthralled with the performance. They were such excellent role models for our children.

Whakatauki (proverb) of the Week

He taonga rongonui te aroha ki te tangata

Goodwill towards others is a precious treasure.

A Balanced Education in a Supportive Environment

SHOW DAY CHAMPION

Lamb



Goat



Calf



Lamb

Leading:
Senior - Lily Matenga
Junior - Madison Blissett

Rearing:
Senior - Brooke Morgan
Junior - Tayla Batten

Most Obvious Pet:
Senior - Brooke Morgan
Junior - Tayla Batten

Senior Champion - Brooke Morgan
Junior Champion - Madison Blissett
Overall Champion - Brooke Morgan

Goat

Most Obvious Pet
Zoe Sands
Overall Champion
Zoe Sands

Calf

Leading:
Senior - Abbey McKegg
Junior - Blake Slagter

Rearing:
Senior - Abbey McKegg
Junior - Brennan Kay

Best Pet - Caitlin McCullough
Senior Champion - Abbey McKegg
Junior Champion - Alanna Brown
Overall Leading - Abbey McKegg
Overall Champion - Abbey McKegg







HAT PARADE

200 STUDENTS PARTY!

We are very close to 200 students at Ruakaka School. When we hit 200 we are going to have a little celebration as this is the first time the roll has reached this number since around 1985. We will have a special treat for the children and we will all have some party hats to decorate with 200 on them. If you would like to decorate a "200 kids hat" for your child to wear that would be awesome. The culture of our school is amazing at the moment and I am enjoying the inclusiveness we are providing for all children. You are welcome to come down and join us on the day. We will send home a separate notice when this is happening.

ASSESSMENT TIME

From now on for the next few weeks, teachers will be busy completing assessments so that reporting can be done to both the parents and the Ministry. It is even more important than ever that your children attend school every day that they can, as it is always difficult to catch up individual children if they are away.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

On the 29th October we will be having an open day for grandparents. Grandparents are such a special part of children's lives. You are welcome to join us anytime during the day to be in the classrooms with your moko \ grandchildren.

SLIP, SLOP, SLAP

With the summer months upon us we ask that all children wear a wide brimmed hat to school every day and apply sunscreen before leaving home. We do have some sunscreen here to reapply if needed. Please name all clothing - including hats.

FILTERED WATER

Very soon we will be having filters put on all the water that is consumed at school. We have been waiting for this to happen for some months now so I am really excited that it is finally going to happen.

BIKE TRACK EXTENSION

Some of you will have noticed that the obstacle course part of our bike track has now been completed thanks to Stu Bell and his helper who spent hours doing this at the end of the holidays. The children are loving the new track and there just aren't enough bikes on some days.



ORGANISATION 2016

Next year we will be opening a junior (Year 2-3) bilingual class. If your child has been in the Junior extension group or has been to Kohanga Reo as a pre-schooler, they will get first option for the places. The senior bilingual class (Year 4-6) will continue. If your child has been in there this year they will get first option for next year. If you did not return the update of information form last term, please let us know as soon as possible if you would like your child included in either one of these classes.