

SCHOOL NOTICE

We have had several cases of nits already this year, please check your child's hair and treat if any are found.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

RUAKAKA SCOUT GROUP

The 1st Ruakaka Scout Group offer excellent indoor/outdoor activities such as kayaking, caving and camping based at Marsden Point Road Den, Ruakaka. We are looking for new members to join. \$4.50 a session paid termly. 1 1/2 hours for Cubs, 2 hours for Scouts and Venturers. Contact James McCollough on 09 433 0464

BREAM BAY JUNIOR HOCKEY RALLY DAY

All junior hockey players (up to Year 8) are invited to a rally day 3pm Sunday 8 March at the Bream Bay College hockey turf.

Register for the season and bring your stick, mouthguard and shinpads to play some fun hockey.

Teams for all ages – if you can't get to the rally day, message your details (names, ages, contact details) to the Bream Bay Hockey Club facebook page or contact Julie Paton 027 601 5525

TRIALS FOR A GRADE (KWIKSTICKS) YEAR 7 & 8 TEAMS

5PM-6.30PM Tuesday 31 March at the Bream Bay College turf.

HELP YOUR CHILD LEARN

Is your child struggling to learn? This FREE short course gives a general overview of how children learn & what can prevent academic/school learning from being straightforward. Suitable for parents/caregivers with children aged from 7-11 years. Facilitated by our experienced tutor, Sheryn Comrie. Learn ways to provide support at home including games to make learning fun! Date: Starts Tues 3 March, 6.30-8.30pm for 3 weeks **Enrol online: www.cew.ac.nz**
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INGREDIENTS LIST

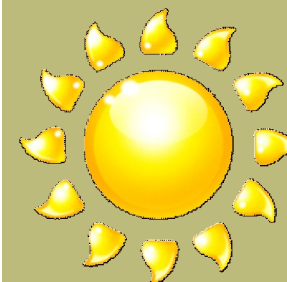
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(most to least)

**Watch out for fat or sugar in the
top 3 ingredients**





INGREDIENTS: OATS, INVERT SUGAR, SUGAR, RICE CRISPS (RICE FLOUR, SUGAR, MALT EXTRACT (FROM BARLEY), SALT, EMULSIFIER (471), COLOUR (150d)), WHEAT GLUCOSE SYRUP, MIXED BERRY FRUIT PIECES (FRUITS (STRAWBERRY (25%), RASPBERRY (25%), RED ELDERBERRY JUICE), SUGAR, DEXTROSE, HUMECTANT (422), PECTIN, FOOD ACID (330), FLAVOURS), BRAN (WHEAT BRAN, WHEAT FLOUR, RICE FLOUR,



TERM 1

26 Feb - Junior
Swimming Displays

5 Mar - Senior
Swimming Sports

12 Mar - Interschool
Swimming Sports BBC

18 - 20 Mar - Senior
Camp

25 Mar - Junior School
Tent City

2 April - Last Day of
Term



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



TERM DATES 2015

Term 1 - 2 February
to 2 April

Term 2 - 20 April to
3 July

Term 3 - 20 July to
25 September

Term 4 - 12 October
to 18 December

RUAKAKA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



26th January 2015

Dear Parents/Caregivers

I hope the year is going well for your children so far. It has been a great start to the year and the children are very settled with class numbers around 23 in the senior school and 10-18 in the junior school.

SWIMMING SPORTS & DISPLAYS

Most children are now swimming every day which is great. Today (Thursday) was the junior classes turn to show you what they have learnt in swimming so far this year.



Room 1 children showing off their swimming skills

Whakatauki (proverb) of the Week

Tama tū, tama ora

Someone who is active is healthy

Tama noho, tama mate

Someone who is inactive is unwell

A Balanced Education in a supportive environment

SENIOR SWIMMING SPORTS

Our school senior swimming sports will be held at Bream Bay College on the 5th of March and the children will be taken there by bus (there will be no cost for this).

The interschool sports will be held at the college on the 24th of March and we will be asking for parent transport on that day.

SENIOR CAMP

The dates for this have been confirmed as 18-20th of March and they will be staying at the Takahiwai Marae. Some parents have queried the costs involved – most of the costs are for the amazing activities that have been organised – the food and accommodation are just a small part of the cost.

We suggest that you start paying this off as soon as possible in instalments if this suits you.

FOOD IN SCHOOLS

Food in Schools started last Tuesday - the children enjoyed a hot delicious meal. Thank you to all of you who sent along a gold coin donation, it helps cover the costs of this programme. Remember if you would like to donate any food forwards this cause, please get your child to hand it into the office by Tuesday morning.

CENTURY BATTERIES BEACH AND BOAT FISHING CONTEST

This was held at the Marsden Cove Marina last weekend. Thank you to Ari Carrington, for once again, organising drivers for the 3 nights. I know there was only a small number of volunteers and so we would like to thank you very much for giving up your time for this fundraiser. I'm sure you have some entertaining stories to tell! I am not sure how much money we made yet but it all helps.

WIRE DISH RACKS

We are looking for dish racks made of wire (the plastic ones won't work) as holders for ipads when they are on charge. If you have one that you would like to donate to the school, please send it into the office. Thank you.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

These will be taken on the 24th of March. You should have received your order forms this week. On-line and prepaid orders must be completed and paid by 23 March. Please do not pay the school. You must pay the photographer directly. The website to use is on the order form.

PART TIME CLEANING JOB

We have a part time cleaning job available at School. It is 3 hours Mon to Fri from 2:30 to 5:30pm plus the term cleans. Please send your CV and covering letter to the school. Applications close tomorrow the 27 February 2015. Applicants must be reliable and will be required to be police vetted.

ABSENT FROM SCHOOL

Thank you to everyone who has been phoning or texting into the office to let us know when a child is away - it certainly has made the office staff's job easier. We have to contact Truancy if a child is away or late to school on a regular basis. This year truancy is a high priority and we will be monitoring it closely all year.

Please either phone the office on 4237503 and leave a message on the absence line or send a txt to 021 0233 2267. Remember to include your child's name and room number and the reason for the absence.

TENT CITY FOR JUNIOR CLASSES

On the 25th of March the junior classes will be building a "tent city" here at school as their outdoor education activity. Keep this date free as it is a lot of fun and there will lots of opportunities to help.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

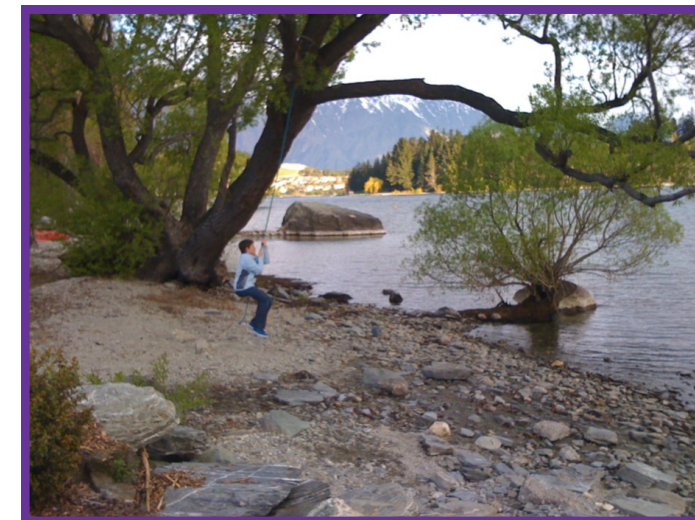
On Tuesdays if your child brings money for a lunch order, we will return to them as there are no school lunches available on this day due to Food in Schools. Sometimes (wholesalers) aren't able to supply the food we order and we run short of certain products. If your child orders something that we don't have, we will replace it with another item. We no longer buy just chocolate muffins, a change of supplier (over a year ago) means that we get now only get assorted flavoured muffins.

DESCRIPTION FROM AN IMAGE BELOW IS A SNIPPET OF WRITING.. AN INTRODUCTION

The trees towered above our camper as we heard the pop of gravel underneath the rubbery tyres of our 2007 model. I climbed into the back and unlatched the side door in a hurried attempt to get my family to help me pull out the barbecue, this trip is going to be awesome. It was Friday and we were staying at Lake Tekapo for 3 days to get away from the city. My Dad opened the tiny fridge to get out lunch. It was crackers, mince pies, strawberry cheesecake and tomatoes.

I was walking down the track when I saw the most beautiful thing, a blue tattered rope attached to a weeping willow tree. "Hey Dad check out this" I cried. "We can go exploring after lunch" he yelled to me. After gobbling up a hearty meal I asked my parents and older sister to come see my discovery.

Written by Anna Brady, Room 3



The clean crisp chilling air really set off the arctic like salty liquid plunging into my mouth. The small grains of sand sinking into my tiny toes. Mum anxiously waiting, calling out to me every five minutes to make sure I was ok. It was July the 4th I waited anxiously for the sky to grow dark and enjoy the lights in the sky. The sound of rustling branches and the faint fragrance of the willow tree really gave it an out door-zy feel.

Written by Abbey McKegg, Room 3