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



This month's winner was
Harper Staite

SHINE

Our Pizza and play reward was a success, unfortunately the weather didn't play its part on Wednesday, so children enjoyed a piece of pizza each and then had a long play on Friday when the weather was much nicer. Our children are now working towards water play and ice-blocks! Lets hope they can achieve this by the end of the year!

JARS

Room 2 are looking for clean baby food jars or small jars with lids on please. If you can drop these into Room 2 or at the office that would be fantastic.

POSTPONEMENT

Due to recent events in our community, the Whanau Hui planned by the Ministry of Education around the formation of a Health Hub in our area, has been postponed until further notice.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Helpline is available from 9am – 9pm, 7 days a week. Visit <http://www.parenthelp.org.nz/> for more information.

SPORT NORTHLAND

TERM 4

9 Nov - Senior Athletics
13 Nov - Teacher Strike Day
20 Nov - VIP Morning Tea
21 Nov - Bus Monitor's Pool Trip
22 Nov - Interschool's Athletics
5 Dec - BoT Meeting 4:30pm
10 Dec - Proposed Y6 Graduation Dinner
11 Dec - Prizegiving 12 noon
13 Dec - last day for After School Care
14 Dec - Last day of year, 12 noon finish

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Quote of the week

You must give some time to your fellow men. Even if it's a little thing, do something for others – something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it.
Albert Schweitzer

TERM DATES 2018

Term 4 - 15 October to 14 December
finish at 12 noon

TERM DATES 2019

Term 1 - 30 Jan to 12 Apr
Term 2 - 29 Apr to 5 July
Term 3 - 22 July to 27 Sept
Term 4 - 14 Oct to 12 Dec

RUAKAKA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



8th November 2018

Our mission statement

He kura whakamana i ngā ahurea o ngā tamariki, tōkia, tūkia o rātou pūkenga, o rātou manakotanga o rātou auahatanga, poipoia rawatia ka whakanuia e te whānau whānui me te hāpori.

To be a rural school where innovation and cultural identity are embedded, students' individual talents, needs and abilities are nurtured, celebrated and supported by whānau and community.

Whakatauki (proverb) of the Week

Nāku te rourou nāu te rourou ka ora ai te iwi
With your basket and my basket the people will live,
Working together!

Tena koutou katoa

What a busy time of the year it is. As I am writing this newsletter, we have had our new entrant visit for all of the children who will be turning 5 between now and the beginning of next year. What a lovely group of children we have to look forward to. There were squeals and lots of laughter all morning so they obviously had a great time.

GREEN - GOLD AWARD



Mr Meadows (Mr Recycle), Mrs Dunn (Witch), Whaea Gillian (Nun) receive our Green-Gold award and sign from Northland Regional Council, Rick Stolwerk (Councillor) and Eden Hakaraia (Enviroschools Facilitator - Primary)

Last Friday we had our Green-Gold award re-confirmed from Northland Regional Council (NRC). They were impressed with our children's knowledge around caring for our environment. We have also been awarded a grant from NRC to plant more trees around our school.

We love to learn together
Ka aroha tātou ki te ako tahi

CONDOLENCES

It has been a very sad week in our community following the passing of one of our young people so suddenly. Our condolences go out to all of you who have been affected by this loss. Our thoughts are with you all.

SLIP, SLOP, SLAP AND WRAP

It is very disappointing to see so many children still coming along to school each day without a sunhat. It is essential that we protect our children from the sun during terms 1 & 4 and I ask that every child brings a named, preferably wide-brimmed hat to school every day. As we are having lots of activities happening outside at the moment it is even more important. Thank you for your support with this. Those children who are not wearing a hat, will be asked to play in the shade.

TEACHER'S STRIKE

As part of further industrial action from teachers, our teachers will be on strike on Tuesday 13th of November. Our school will be closed on this day and you will need to find alternative care for your children.

ATHLETIC SPORTS

As you receive this newsletter, we will have held our Junior Athletic Sports. Tomorrow, Friday, is the senior sports which you are all welcome to come along to and join in the fun. Please make sure your child has a hat and sunblock on, as they will be outside for most of the day. Also pack plenty of kai and water bottles as it will be a hot day.

CARPARK ISSUES

We are very aware of the lack of parking at our school and I am now consulting with the Ministry and the Whangarei District Council to see if we can find a solution. It is a long, drawn out process but we will get some action eventually.

BUILDING UPDATE

As I write this, the scaffolding came down on our new building and so we will very soon see the new deck appearing. All of the insulation is in and the interior walls will soon be lined. We are getting very excited!

DENTAL CARAVAN

We have been notified that the Dental Caravan will be arriving at our school early in December. There will be little time for them to work on our children's teeth before school finishes, but they will be back in the middle of January to start work on pre-schoolers. All of our children's teeth will be checked next year.

ORGANISATION 2019

As we are looking at the organisation for 2019, please let us know if your children will not be returning to Ruakaka School next year, or if you have 5 year olds starting at any time throughout the year, or if you know of any new families moving into our zone next year. Our bi-lingual classes are full at this time, but if you are interested in this, please let us know and we will put you on the waiting list.

PRIZEGIVING

This will be held on Tuesday 11th of December at Bream Bay College at 12.00pm so mark this date in your diary. As usual, there will be many children receiving awards so it would be great to have as many of you along as possible. It's always a great way to end the year. All trophies should be at the office by now, so they can be organised for this year's winners.

WRITING BY LEVI WATTS , ROOM 11

The sapphire blue flowers are dancing in the whistling wind like there's a party going on.

The tree's bark feels like rows and rows of cat claws.

Silently you can hear the bees buzzing on the way to the flowers filled with pollen.

The grass feels like little ants tickling your feet.

The moss on the trees looks like magical patterns.

The floating island is a stepping stone to another world.



Buy a ticket from the Whangarei Intermediate School office and come along to a great night's entertainment

Tickets: \$10 Adult \$5 Student

MICHAEL VAN DE ELZEN'S GOOD FROM SCRATCH KIDS COOKBOOK TOUR

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Group: Whangarei Intermediate School

Date: Tuesday 4th December 6 - 7.30 pm

Venue: School Hall 32 Rust Ave Whangarei

Michael is super excited to be visiting us! He will talk about the importance of eating well, and how to make sure healthy dishes are also tasty and easy to make!

Join us for a cooking demonstration, Q&A session and book signing with New Zealand's much loved healthy chef.

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