



30 May 2024

Term 2 Week 5

**Kia Ora, Kamusta, Āyubōvan, Nihao, Sata srī akāla, Namaskāra,
Mālō e lelei, Hallå, Buna ziua, Dia dhuit, Hello**

Kia ora Whānau

This week we will farewell Dhiman, Kaydence and Sesandi for our school. We wish them well in their new schools.

Unfortunately we do not have any Northern Cross Country results this week as the event was postponed because of the terrible weather yesterday. The event will now be next Thursday 6th June.

The year 5-8 students have been learning how to play Ki O Rahi on Friday afternoons, the year 1-4s have learnt Tapu Ae which is an adaptation. Ki O Rahi is a traditional Māori team game. Coming up on Friday 21st June we are having a Ki o Rahi tournament for children and parents. Our plan is to run the tournament after school from 3:00-5:00pm. Our Tākaro leaders will be selling sausages and bread (which school will provide) and baking (each family that comes along please bring a batch of baking) for a gold coin. The Tākaro leaders are fundraising for equipment and resources for their lunchtime activities. We would love to have as many families as possible come along and join in the fun. If you want to learn to play Ki O Rahi come along to Friday afternoon sport from 2:00-2:45pm for the next couple of weeks. Here is a link to find out more about the games <https://www.r2r.org.nz/games-activities-maori-youth/ki-o-rahi.html>.

On Thursday 27th June we are planning to hold a Matariki breakfast to celebrate Matariki - Māori new year. All parents, whānau and community members are invited to come along to school from 8-10am for breakfast and then time looking in the classrooms at the amazing work the students have been doing this term. More details will come out in the next few weeks.

We have got a lot of bugs going around at the moment. If your child is unwell please keep them home until they are on the mend. For tummy bugs it is recommended that children have 48 hours once they have stopped vomiting before returning to school.

Reminder that tomorrow we have our Teachers Only Day on Friday 31st May, and Monday 3rd June is King's Birthday therefore school will be closed.

*Nga mihi,
Riversdale Staff*

Poipoia te kākano kia pūawai

**Nurture the seed and it will bloom,
we all need love and care to fully realise our potential**

Ki-o-Rahi Rules

How to play
 The game is played on a circular field divided into six zones
 There are two teams with seven players in each they are called "kioma" and "taniwha"
 Taniwha starts the game by throwing in the ki' (ball)
 To score points you try and throw the ki' at the tūpu (central target) or run around the circle and touch the pou (sticks) you cannot run over te ara (ice bridge)
 The players on the opposing team can intercept the ball and block it
 Players may pass amongst themselves
 There are boundaries the players have to stay in
 Tags - if one tag is ripped it's a pass if it's two it's a handover.

Conclusion
 If you're ever in need to settle an argument play ki-o-rah!

Introduction
 Ki-o-Rahi is a fun game to play to stop arguing

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| maori | English |
| ki | ball |
| Pou | Poles/sticks |
| kioma | team 1 |
| taniwha | team 2 |
| tupu | centre target |
| ti ara | ice bridge |
| ki'o Rahi | ki'o-Rahi |

Room 6 have been learning about the pūrakau (story) of Ki O Rahi and have written out the rules for the game. Check these out before you come along and have a go at playing with us on Friday afternoons, then for the tournament in 3 weeks!

Kei te pai - Well done! You all displayed the school values so well.



| | Manawaroa Resilience | Whakaute Respect | Kawenga Responsible | Kupu (word) of the Week |
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| Room 7 | Amanda | Logan | Archie | |
| Room 6 | Priyah | Lachlan | Mason | Harrison |
| Room 5 | Edie | Sesandi | Jimmy | Leo |
| Room 3 | Leigh | Dhiman | Fergus | |
| Room 2 | Grayson | Emily | Hayden | Hudson |
| Room 1 | Freya | Sophia | Callum | Resandi |
| Tumuaki (Principal) Award | Max Evans, Grayson Lord & Yuri Stirling | | | |

Coming Up....

Term 1

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| 31 May | Teachers Only Day (school closed) |
| 3 June | King's Birthday (school closed) |
| 6 June | Northern Cross Country |
| 14 June | Southland Cross Country |
| 21 June | Ki O Rahi tournament (all welcome) |
| 24 June | BOT Meeting, 7pm |
| 27 June | Matariki Breakfast and open morning (all welcome) |
| 28 June | Matariki (school closed) |
| 2&3 July | Parent, Student Teacher Conferences |
| 5 July | End of Term 2 |

Lunches Requiring Cutlery

If your child requires a knife, fork or spoon to eat their lunch with please send from home. School are no longer supplying these due to children not returning them after use.

School Buses

Our four bus drivers are Jan Robertson, Michael Lobb, Robin Sherratt and James Nicolson.

Please inform the driver if your child is off the bus in the morning.

Jan Robertson – 027 6088203

James Nicolson – 027 2848816

Paul Eason - 021 474580

Michael Lobb – 027 3725785

Please do not make any alternative arrangements with your child's bus driver without first checking with the school as our bus routes are set by the Ministry of Education and we are unable to go outside of our transport zone to drop students in different places. We are aware that some of our buses do travel past houses on the driver's way home, unfortunately this does not mean they are able to drop off students. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to be in touch with the school.

Today is the last day for Robin driving the Wendonside Bus. A big thank you for all you have done to help get our student safely to school. Good luck as you travel to Britain. Paul Eason will be taking over this run from next week. His number is above.

Michael Lobb (Wendon bus) will be on leave for the next 6 weeks. The relief bus driver is Rex Affleck 027 4327678.

SCHOOL VESTS

The Home & School provide each new student at Riversdale School with a vest.

If you need to replace yours - they are now available to purchase in a range of sizes from Mrs Mann in the school office for \$10 (cash payments only).



Riversdale School and Community Pool



POOL FUNDRAISER

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| Food wrap | 300m x 33cm = \$26 |
| | 600m X 33cm = \$36 |
| Roll foil | 90m x 44cm = \$23 |
| | 150m x 30cm = \$23 |
| Baking Paper | 100m X 30cm = \$32 |

Bank Account: 03-0915-0285905-00

Available from the school office. (new stock just arrived)



Tākaro (Play) Leaders on the Job!



