



16 May 2024

Term 2 Week 3

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

Kia ora Whānau

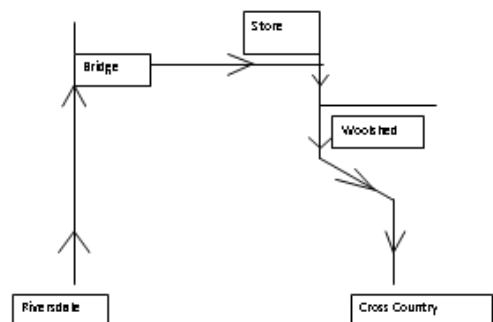
Friday, tomorrow, is the national Pink Shirt Day to raise awareness for anti-bullying and promoting kindness and inclusion for all. We would encourage all students to wear something pink in support of Pink Shirt Day on Friday 17th May. For more information about the day you can go to <https://pinkshirtday.org.nz/>

Coming up next week:

Waimea Cross Country

Where: Waikaia
When: Wednesday 22nd May 2024 - No postponement date.
Time: 1:00pm sharp

You **must** contact the bus driver if your child is off the bus in the afternoon.



On Wednesday 22 May **all of our tamariki** will travel to Waikaia for the Waimea Schools Cross Country. The Cross Country is held at the property of Mr Ray Ferguson on Blakie Road, it is signposted from the Waikaia Bridge (refer to the map above). **We ask that parents please provide transport.** If you are unable to do this, please find a ride with someone else for your child/ren, and send a note to school advising us of who they will be going with. Please advise before 22nd May if your child/ren require a ride.

Please note this is a winter sports event and it will not be postponed. Please bring appropriate clothing and complete change of clothes for your child to change into at the end. All runners must wear gym shoes (no spikes or sprigs are allowed). School t-shirts will be given out. **If you still have a school t-shirt or tracksuit from sports last term, please return it to school immediately so we can reallocate for cross country - we are very low in t-shirts so we do need them all back please.** Please feel free to wear a black thermal underneath, and either black shorts or black trackpants.

Children run in their age group based on their age at the 31 December 2024.

Cross Country is not an optional event – every child displays our school vision and values by participating and doing their best.

Children come to school as normal, by bus or walking/biking. **We will depart from school at 12:20pm** to arrive at Waikaia by 12:45pm. Children will have an early lunch prior to leaving school. Please meet your child at the front or back school gate.

Coming up on the 31st May there will be a Teachers Only Day and school will be closed. The teachers will participate in professional development with the other schools in our Kahui Ako (Community of Learners) around our Literacy programmes.

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

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

	Manawaroa Resilience	Whakaute Respect	Kawenga Responsible	Kupu (word) of the Week
Room 7	Ruby	Brendan	Odin	Callum
Room 6	Bella	Hannah	Kieran	Yuri
Room 5	Kate	Murphy		Ella
Room 3	Harry	Dhiman	Aroha	Fergus
Room 2	Joseph	Angus	Harley	Ollie
Room 1	Meihana	Noah	Beau	Myles
Tumuaki (Principal) Award				

Coming Up....

Term 1

20 May	BOT Meeting, 7pm
22 May	Waimea Cross Country
29 May	Northern Cross Country
31 May	Teachers Only Day (school closed)
3 June	King's Birthday (school closed)
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

Deep Cove Camp

I was just *peacefully* lying on my **rock hard** mattress when suddenly, the **light** turned on. (Which I was **NOT** happy about). Then I remembered, I'm in **Deep Cove** and we have a **BIG** day ahead of us. I got dressed, went down to breakie and all was great until we got told we had to walk to **STELLA FALLS**. Everyone's faces **DROPPED**. I had to go and change into **WARMER** clothes and mentally prepare myself for a very **LONG** and never ending walk.

And just like that, we were off! We all started off as a **BIG CLUMP** but slowly merged into a **LINE**. Me and my walking buddy (*Bella*) stayed in the middle. After about 5 minutes of walking, I was ready to turn around and head back to **camp**. All this work just to see a **waterfall**... My feet felt like **concrete** walking along the torturous **GRAVEL ROAD** that went on forever.

The whole walk I was just thinking of how I could be at home, sitting by the **fire** and sipping *hot chocolate*. But instead, I was in the middle of nowhere, in the **FREEZING** cold, eating **scroggin** that tastes like **cardboard**. To make the walk even better, it started pouring down. How *lovely!* I was drenched from head to toe in **water**, so much for my **waterproof** jacket! By now my socks were absolutely soaked and my legs were **NUMB**.

And just like that we were back at **camp** arguing about who got to have a **SHOWER** first. We walked 24 kms in **one** day! That's over half a marathon! Everyone was absolutely **EXHAUSTED** afterwards, especially Miss McCall... How do I know this? Because she **snored**. All. Night. Long. And very **LOUDLY!**

Author - Stella Smith

Stories from Room 2

My favourite person on the planet is Katie because she takes me out to places like pubs. She also buys me stuff and she is as beautiful as a rose. I love you Katie. You are a legend. Katie comes from New Zealand.

By Meads

My favourite person on the planet is Beau. He is my favourite person because he likes the same things as me. He is as cool as a rock star!!! He comes from Riversdale Town. I like his drawers because they lock. I also like his crystals. Beau went to Gore Pre-school when I was there and he is my best friend.

By Joseph

My favourite person on the planet is Beauden Barret. He is my favourite person on the planet because he is a try scoring machine. Beauden Barrett is strong, fast and he gets through tackles and gets those tries!! Beauden Barrett is usually first five or second five - those are numbers fifteen and ten. He is a machine like my dad. Things I admire about Beauden Barrett is he is good at kicking over the post and scoring tries. He is a rugby player for the All Blacks.

By Ollie

Cooper is my favourite friend because he lets me have his rubber whenever. He is always there when I need him. He has brown hair and white skin. He has 2 warts on his thumb. He lives in New Zealand. He can go as fast as a rocket. He can almost fly off the ground because he is so fast. I like him when he plays with me. He normally always plays soccer but not all the time.

By Hayden

My favourite person is Kadin because he is really good at motor cross - real motor cross! He is like his dad and his dad is a motor crosser. He is as funny as a clown. I like going duck shooting with him. He came from Australia and he plays tackle. He skipped touch. I bet Australis is fun. I think he is lucky.

By Angus

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

Robin Sherratt – 021 2930631

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.

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

**RIVERSDALE
SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY
POOL**


POOL FUNDRAISER	
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)



Community Notices



Artsy Thursday
WITH MRS C
FOR 7–10 YEAR OLD STUDENTS

TO PROVIDE ART TUITION FOR YOUNG STUDENTS WHO SHOW ARTISTIC TENDENCIES IN THEIR DRAWINGS OR CREATIVITY IN THEIR ART MAKING IN GENERAL BUT ARE HUNGRY TO LEARN MORE.

STUDENTS WILL LEARN A WIDE RANGE OF PROCESSES AND TECHNIQUES THAT FOCUS ON DRAWING ACCURACY AND MAKING IT LOOK REAL IN A 3–D WAY BY ADDING SHADING AND ALSO COLOUR THROUGH USE OF A RANGE OF MATERIALS.

TUTOR: VICKI CRAWFORD


THURSDAYS
30 MAY,
6, 13, 20, 27 JUNE
27 JULY

3.30pm - 4.30pm


\$40 per person
for 6 weeks

Southern REAP Gore
6 Fairfield Street
GORE

WWW.REAP.CO.NZ



To enrol in this class please
phone Southern REAP on **0800 111 117**
or email info@reap.co.nz



Southern REAP Inc

Change of season... Change of toothbrush!

It's time for a new toothbrush...

- If the bristles are scruffy, bent or splayed
- After being sick with a cold, flu, or infection
- If anyone else has used your toothbrush!
- Even if it still looks ok, it's best to use a new toothbrush every 3 months. A good way to remember is a change of season = a change of toothbrush!





Community Oral Health Service

Health New Zealand
Te Whatu Ora

Scan this code for more great tooth tips

