



09 May 2024

Term 2 Week 2

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

Kia ora Whānau

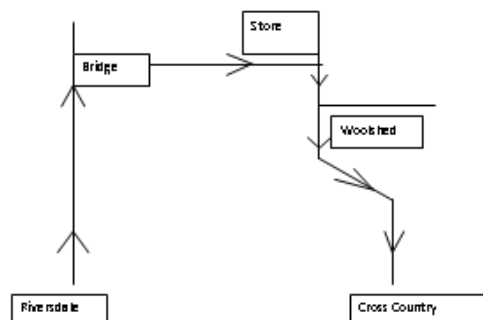
Last week the Year 7 & 8s, Miss Marshall and myself had a wonderful week away in Deep Cove. The weather was mostly great and all students were amazingly resilient and gave everything we threw at them a go. Miss Marshall and I were very proud of them all! A huge thank you to the team of parents who came along and helped us out: Gavin Tayles, Morgan Greene, Logan Marshall, Ewan McLeay, Brendon McBride, Mark Jackson, Haydn Blatch, Kylie Davidson, Emily Mackey, Jeremy Elliot, Wendy Scully, Matt Polglaze, Sean Robins and Darryn Wing.

Next Friday 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/>

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.

Happy Mother's Day to all our amazing mums, grandmas and aunties

Nga mihi,
Riversdale Staff



Ko te whāea te takere o te waka

Mothers are like the the hull of a canoe, they are the HEART of the family

Coming Up....

Term 1

29 April - 3 May	Year 7&8 Deep Cove Camp
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

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



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

RURAL EDUCATION

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

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

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RURAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME

Southland Emergency Services Day

Fundraiser for the Westpac Chopper Appeal 2024
GOLD COIN ENTRY

Displays from:

- Southern District Police
- Southland Fire and Emergency
- Hato Hone St John Invercargill
- Coast Guard
- Otago Southland Rescue Helicopter (approx landing 11am)

Saturday 11th May @ Surrey Park 10am - 2pm

Please bring your change for our donation buckets and the Sausage Sizzle hosted by the Waikiwi Lions.

All funds donated to:

OTAGO SOUTHLAND **RESCUE** HELICOPTER TRUST

Proudly supported by:
Westpac Southland & Good Tech Team

LAKES DISTRICT AIR RESCUE TRUST

GOOD TECH Team