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# Newsletter Term4 Week 9

**KIA ORA** Welcome to week 9

Reminders:

- Please if your children have lost any items over Term 3, come to the office and have a look through lost property box (It's getting full) the last day to collect lost property is Friday the 8th of December.
- Next assembly is also Friday 8th of December at 2.15pm all are welcome.
- Our last day of the Term is the 14th of December, please be prepared to collect your children on the conclusion of the final assembly approximately 12.30 pm.

**Have a fantastic week!**

**Saved by the Bell** will be available

14th December (after final assembly, 12.30) -22nd December

Then will be available again from Jan 15th until school goes back on the  
Tuesday 30th January





# Important Dates

- Rukuhia School Choir performance at St Stephen's church in Tamahere at 1.30 pm.
- Final assembly will be at 11am on 14th December  
Please collect your children on the conclusion of the final assembly approximately 12.30 pm.

## Term 1 2024

Tuesday 30th January

## School organisation for 2024

Room 6 Ms Coles

Room 1 Mrs O'Brien

Room 2 Miss Andrew

Room 3 Mrs Adam

Room 4 Mrs Hogg

Room 5 Mr Jepsen





 **MERRY CHRISTMAS** 

HAVE A MAGICAL HOLIDAY SEASON

RUKUHIA SCHOOL



Firstly I just want to say a massive "thank-you" to everyone for all their support, kindness and yarns that you have all had with me over the last 6 months. I have really enjoyed getting to know you all and especially your children, that you trusted me with at either before school care, after school care or the holiday programme.

As the holidays are fast approaching (way to fast, I thought I still had three weeks to go, whoops) I am sending out the online form to register for the holiday programme. If you are not already enrolled with "saved by the bell" but are needing to use the holiday programme, email [Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com](mailto:Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com) and I will send you the online enrolment form to fill out. I need one filled out for every child.

To book into the holiday programme if you haven't already received the online form, please also email [Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com](mailto:Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com) and I will send it to you. I hope you all have a safe and happy summer holidays, making memories with your families and like I always say to the children when they leave "make good life choices".

Here is the December programme and I will post up January one when my helper Shannon has sent it to me.

I will be open from 12pm on the 14<sup>th</sup> December when school finishes and also Friday 15th December through to the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Lisa



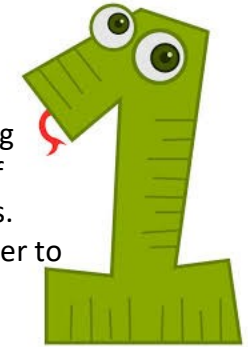
<p><b><u>Monday 18 December</u></b></p>  <p>Come and join us for a week full of Christmas themed fun. Each day we will be making Christmas gifts, baking and making the most of the sunshine in the pool!</p>	<p><b><u>Tuesday 19 December</u></b></p>  <p>Come and join us for a week full of Christmas themed fun. Each day we will be making Christmas gifts, baking and making the most of the sunshine in the pool!</p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday 20 December</u></b></p>  <p>Come and join us for a week full of Christmas themed fun. Each day we will be making Christmas gifts, baking and making the most of the sunshine in the pool!</p>	<p><b><u>Thursday 21 December</u></b></p>  <p>Come and join us for a week full of Christmas themed fun. Each day we will be making Christmas gifts, baking and making the most of the sunshine in the pool!</p>	<p><b><u>Friday 22 December</u></b></p>  <p>The year has come to an end. Thank you all for your support this year with the start of this business, from all the staff at Saved by the bell, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy new year. Stay safe on your travels and we hope to see you in the new year!</p>
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- All children will need a packed lunch that will suffice for the following: morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea.
- Please make sure that you have appropriate footwear and attire.
- We will be using the school pool, weather permitting. Please ensure that your child has their togs, a towel, and a change of clothes in their bags.

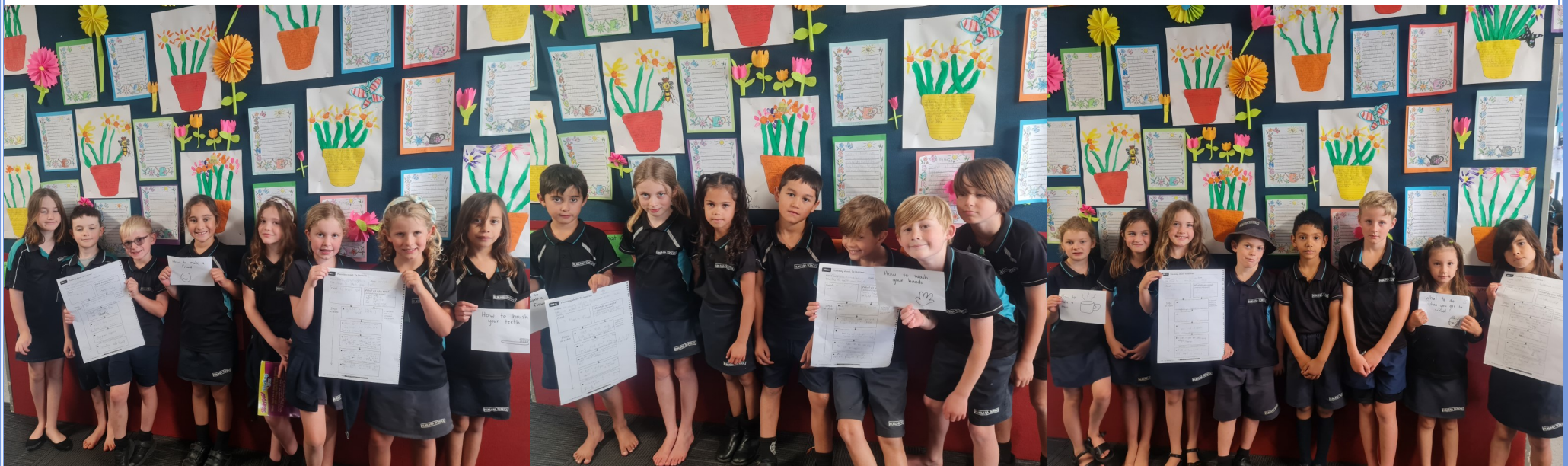
<b><u>PRICES:</u></b> All prices are inclusive of GST	
<b>Full day:</b> 7:15am - 5:30pm	\$45
<b>School day:</b> 9am - 3pm	\$35
<b>Half day:</b> 7:15am - 12:30pm	\$30
<b>Half day:</b> 12:30pm - 5:30pm	\$30



## Room

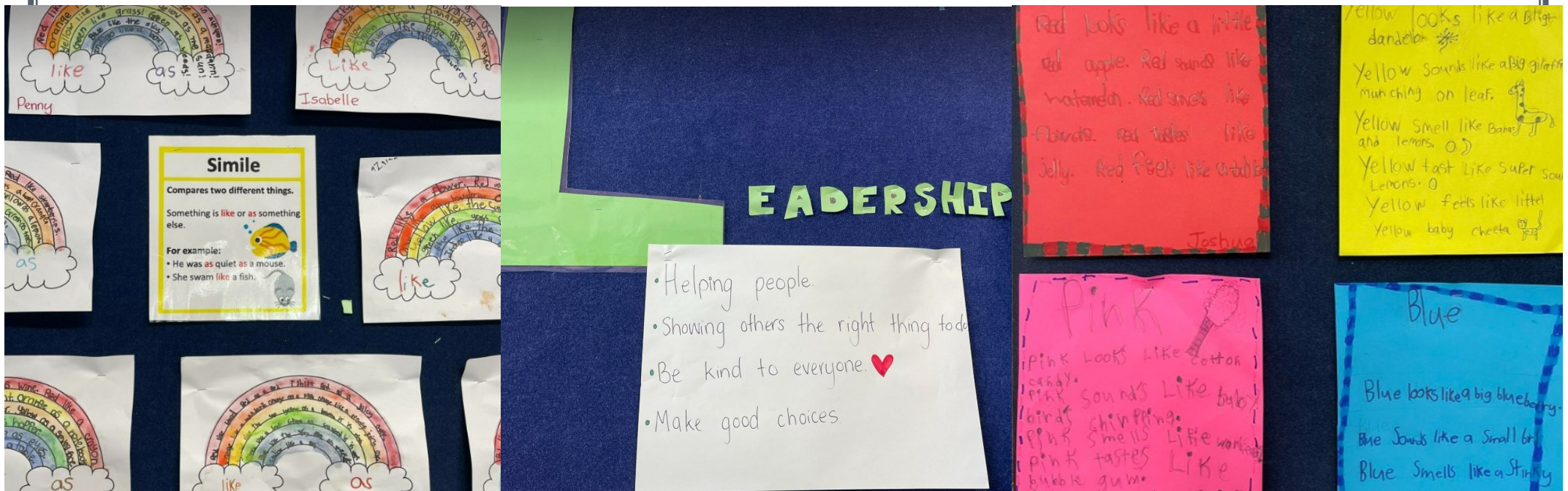


Room One are really enjoying our procedural writing unit. This week we wrote instructions for making toast. We had lots of fun reading these to our buddy as they made their toast, after a few adjustments, everyone was very successful and enjoyed their delicious slice of toast. Today, we worked in groups to create a plan for our procedural writing ideas. This was a great display of teamwork and kindness. Everyone took turns in their group to write the ideas down. Lots of students were helping others with spelling and they worked together to revise their ideas to check they were in the right order. Just looking at these smiling faces, pure success and enthusiasm!



Room 2 have been very busy learning about language features lately. We have looked at similes this week. We made some awesome rainbows, describing the colours and comparing them to other things. We had so much fun creating these. We also made some incredible colour poems. Room 2 accepted the challenge to add adjectives to their poems to make them even better.

We also have been reviewing our last school value 'Leadership'. Everyone picked someone in their life who is a great leader. They shared with their peers what makes this person a great leader. Some people picked their parents, friends, teachers or siblings. It was amazing to share all the positive experiences we have with the amazing leaders in our lives.





Room 3 Newsletter Term 4, Week 8

Room 3 is on the countdown for the end of the year! It's hard to believe that there are only 9 full days left.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support this year. I'm feeling a bit sentimental as I think of 'my babies' moving up to a bigger class next year. Watching the children in the pool, I can see how much they have grown this year, both in stature and with their relationships with their classmates.

Yesterday we made our class advent calendar. 2 names will be pulled out of the hat each day and those children will be able to take a treat from the advent calendar. Next week we are starting to focus on what Christmas means to us, with quizzes, writing and creating activities. The class Christmas tree goes up on Friday!!!

Thank you for sending in your child's togs. So far we have had 3 swims! Remember to flick me an email or send a note if your child can't swim for genuine reasons, otherwise togs are expected to be at school every day.

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> we will be having a farewell day for Pearl, with her choice of activities for the day. It would be appreciated if you would send in a small plate of food for the class to share on this day.

Leanne



Kia Ora Everyone,

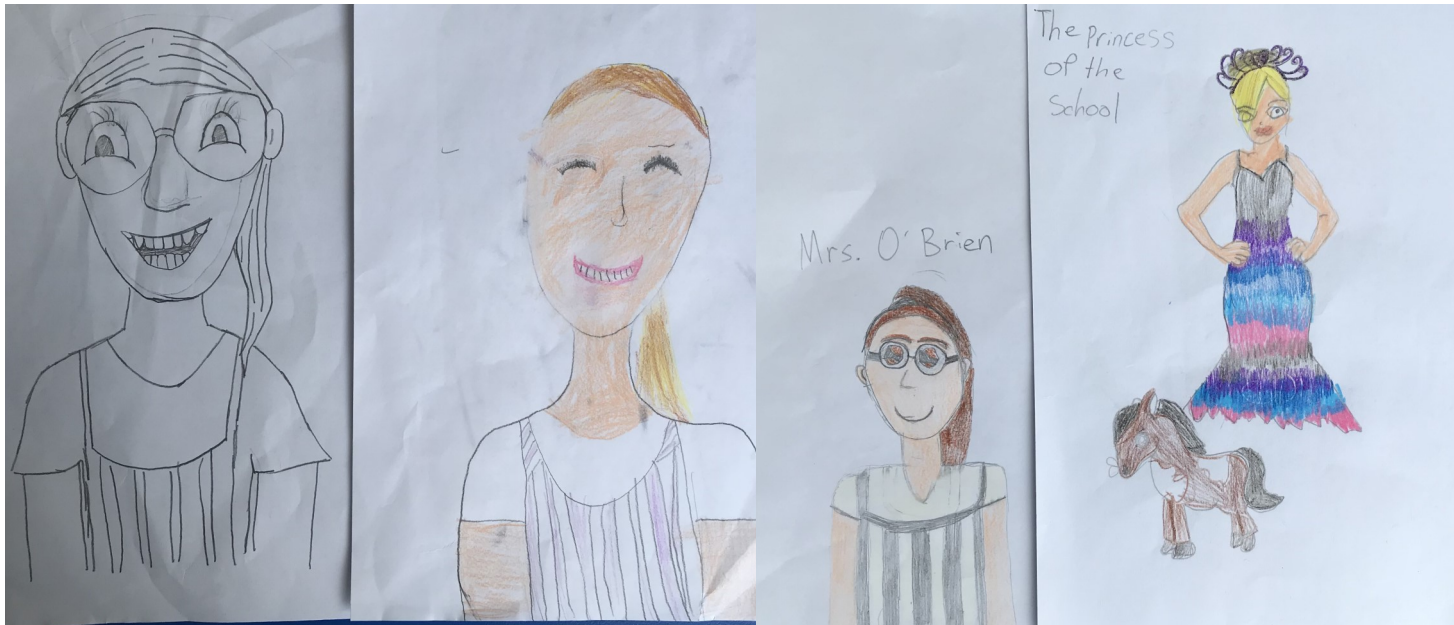
We have been enjoying the recent warm weather. We have spent a little more time outside and have also been swimming most days. It's great to see how confident the Room 4 students are in the water.

We hosted the week 7 assembly. We had the parents and other guests participate in a GoNoodle activity with us. Thank you to those who were in attendance and joined in with us. We hope you had a good time!

Every month or two we have a Room 4 drawing competition where we all draw one of the staff members. Most recently we drew Mrs. O'Brien. I've included photos of her top 4 pics.

There were many other great portraits that I can't fit in here

# Room 4





Micro Worlds are being constructed this week. Students have created entire worlds/towns on maps and will be combining these with friends and calculating the distances between different locations. A game very similar to Battleships will be played to see whose worlds can survive some natural disasters. Year 8 students are diligently working on their speeches that will be presented at the final assembly.

It's getting emotional in Room 5. The reality of the end of our time together is becoming real. For the Year 8 students it is their last time together as they will all be attending different high schools. My focus in Room 5 has been human connection. Ensuring the students appreciate and value their time here at Rukuhia School with each other. Strengths and interests are being embraced, successes celebrated and our time together treasured.



Kia ora Parents/Whanau

In Room 6 this week we have made some cotton bud skeletons and we wrote stories to match them. Have a look at our fun display. Our letters for this week are: g l v y r and for Week 10, they are a m s. The word family for this week is: it/sit and for Week 10, it is: in/win. Thank you to those families that have continued to listen to their child read each evening. Room 6 has some incredible reading results this term.

Our maths topic is measurement—weight/mass. The language students have been focusing on is: heavy/light, heavier/lighter, even/equal. Next week we will look at symmetry.

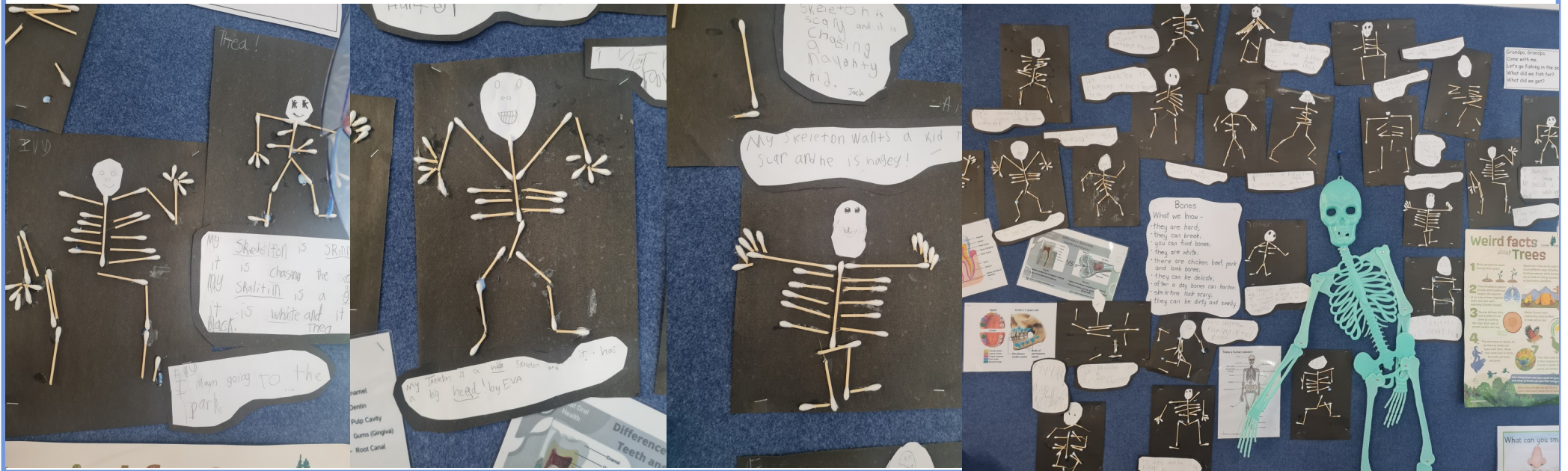
The children are gaining more confidence each day in the swimming pool. Please ensure that your child brings their togs/towel to school each day. Swimming is part of our school curriculum and all students are expected to participate in each lesson.

We will be investigating Christmas over the next two weeks - if you do not wish your child to be part of this then please email me.

We have experienced more amazing acts of kindness. Thank you to - Eva and her nanna for our watermelon plant, Flynn and his dad for the blueberry bush, and to Beau and his mum for the herbs.

Kind regards

Jane



# School Reminders

## School Times

8.30am	Classrooms Open
9.00am	School Starts
11.00-11.30am	Morning Tea
12.45-1.40pm	Lunch
3.00pm	School Finishes

## Office Hours

8.30am—3.00pm  
office@rukuhia.school.nz  
07 843 6967

## Absentees

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, could you please call or email the office before 9.00am. If the phone is unattended please leave a message.

## Signing In & Out

If you are late for school or need to take your children out of school for any reason during school time, **parents/caregivers must** come into the office and sign them out and then sign them back in if they are returning before school finishes.

## School Bank Account

If you are wanting to make online payments to the school below are our bank account details:

12 3152 0019783 00

Please make sure you note the child's name and what the payment is for.

The logo for Rukuhia School features the school's name in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The text is set against a green, wavy banner that resembles a stylized leaf or a piece of fabric. The banner is set against a light blue background with darker blue and green wavy shapes at the bottom, suggesting a landscape or water. The entire logo is framed by a thick black outline.

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# Uniform Supplier

**Logo U2 are now able to offer your school uniform to be ordered directly from their online shop**

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- A note from Logo U2: Please wash our shirts inside out. When printed apparel is turned inside out when washing the printing will last longer as it is not getting rubbed against other clothing.

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