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# Newsletter Term2 Week 1

KIA ORA

- Welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone had an enjoyable break. With the weather getting colder the fleeces are coming out. Please ensure these are labelled so they can be returned to the students easily. I have a pile of unnamed fleeces in lost property in the office if you are missing any.
- Assembly is this Friday 3rd May at 2.30pm in the Hall
- **REMINDER:** The disabled parking spots on the school and hall grounds are **ONLY TO BE USED** by holders of a Mobility Parking Permit



## Thank you to the following students and their whanau for their lovely acts of kindness

- ◆ Thank you to Jen Machell for taking the year 7 girls to Mystery Creek event centre for science.
- ◆ Thank you to the Hollows family for the donation of Books. 
- ◆ Thank you to Hazel Carter for the donation of dolls house and furniture, Room 6 and others students have enjoyed playing with it. 
- ◆ Thank you to Finlay Carter who has kindly donated bean bags for Room 3 to enjoy.
- ◆ Thank you to Beau's Mum, Kirstin, for supplying the staff with yummy baking. We really appreciate it.

He aroha whakatō  
he aroha ka puta mai  
*If kindness is sown,  
then kindness is what  
you shall receive*





# Rukuhia School giving back to the community

On Tuesday our year six students along with our neighbours Ray and Terry worked hard distributing and delivering firewood to community members. Thank you to all involved and we are sure our deserving recipients are very grateful.

Fantastic effort by all.



# Important Dates

## Term 2 2024

- ◆ Friday 31st May—Teacher Only Day—TBC
- ◆ Monday 3rd June—Kings Birthday
- ◆ Friday 28th June—Matariki

## 2024 Term Dates

### **Term 1 2024**

Tuesday 30th January—12th April

### **Term 2 2024**

29th April—5th July

### **Term 3 2024**

22nd July—27th September

### **Term 4 2024**

14th October —TBC

# MOE Teacher Only Days

## 2024 dates for teacher-only days


- Following consultation with the Teacher-Only Day Sector Advisory Group, the date ranges for the 2024 TODs have been set as:
  - **Teacher-only day 3:** Term 2 (Mon 27 May – Fri 7 June 2024, includes the King's Birthday long weekend on 3 June)
  - **Teacher-only day 4:** Term 4 (Mon 21 Oct – Fri 15 Nov 2024, includes Labour Day on 28 October and Canterbury Show Day on 15 November – when no NCEA exams are scheduled)
- It is advised that schools liaise with their local Ministry of Education regional office when selecting their teacher-only day. The intention is for neighbouring schools or kāhui to choose the same date to maximise opportunities for collaboration and shared facilitation, while also minimising disruption for parents and whānau.

## Rukuhia School Teacher Only Dates:

Term 2 Friday 31st May 2024 TBC

Term 4 Friday 25th October 2024 TBC





LADIES OF RUKUHIA  
CELEBRATE MOTHER'S DAY WHILE  
SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

# PAINT & CREPE

HOSTED BY THE PTA AND  
MR. JEPSEN

PAINTING, DESSERT AND SOCIALISING  
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

FRIDAY 10 MAY AT RUKUHIA COMMUNITY HALL  
DOORS OPEN 6:30PM  
SEATED BY 7:00PM - 9:30PM FINISH



\$40 EACH OR 2 FOR \$60

TICKET PRICE INCLUDES ALL PAINTING SUPPLIES, CREPES, NON-ALCOHOLIC PUNCH AND A NIGHT OUT WITHOUT THE KIDS.

BYO WINE OR DRINK OF CHOICE.

PURCHASE TICKETS BY COMPLETING THE ONLINE REGISTRATION  
BANK DEPOSIT TO PTA BANK ACCOUNT  
12-3122-0283284-00 (NAME AS REF)  
TICKETS ISSUED ON PROOF OF TRANSFER

LIMITED NUMBERS SO GET IN QUICK!

BRING CASH ON THE NIGHT FOR  
RAFFLES \$5 EACH OR 3 FOR \$10  
SPOT PRIZES

## Flashback to Term 1

On Wednesday during the last week of school, Room 1 and Room 3 took a trip to Lake Kareatohi (Lake Cameron). We had an amazing bunch of parent helpers and had a great time on our walk around the lake, finishing off with our lunch. Check out some of these awesome snapshots of the day, more can be found in the office foyer.



## Room



## The Ickabog

This is our chapter book for the term. We are enjoying stepping into an amazing world- Cornucopia- created by JK Rowling and are getting to know the main characters. Check out our story map of Cornucopia in class and some fabulous illustrations of the main characters...



## Maths

We are learning all about multiplication! We will be focusing on learning our 2, 5 and 10 times table facts in the next few weeks. You can support your child to learn these at home or practice skip counting in 2's, 5's and 10's.





Room 2 are on an exciting journey this term to learn about under the sea creatures! Their adventure begins with the starfish, as they explore its unique characteristics and habitat.

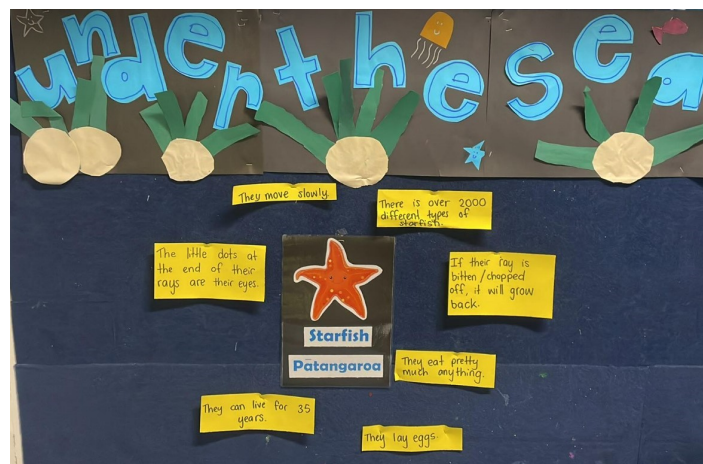
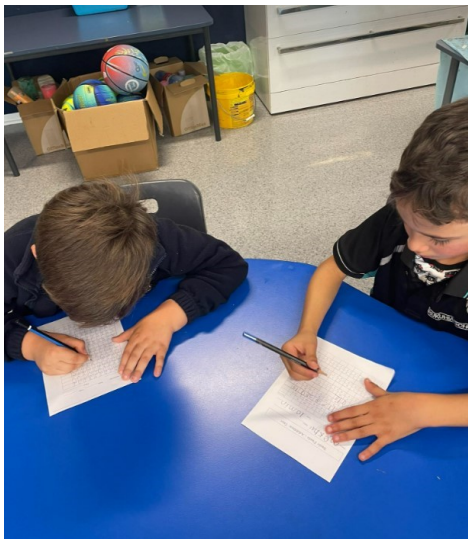
Enjoy learning about these creatures as Room 2 come home with new information. Encourage them to tell you more about each creature.

Next week we will dive into report writing about these creatures, with a huge focus on structure and facts. We will also explore different ways we can create sea creatures using different materials.



Room 2 have been marvellous at their basic facts! Every day, Room 2 sharpens their skills, racing against the clock to master various levels of difficulty.

We are also learning a new waiata and karakia to start our day with.



Kia Ora and Tēnā koutou.

Welcome back to term 2. This is my favourite time of the year!

In reading we are working on our comprehension and retelling of text. For spelling, as well as practicing our current words, we are focussing on sounds in words. This week we have looked at ar and or. We are finishing off our reports on NZ Birds this week and once their reports are typed, they will create a poster (this will be a home task – more details will follow). In maths we are into fractions of numbers. For those who show an extended understanding of fractional number, we will have a daily challenge. This weeks was to simplify 10/25ths.

I hope you have settled back into the school routines. Don't forget that homework comes home on a Monday and homework books and poem books need to be returned to school on Fridays. Our library day at school is Wednesday.

Have a great week.

Leanne



# ROOM 4 CLASS NEWS



**CLASS DJ**



## A note from the teacher:

These photos are from our rewards block on the last day of term. The class collects tokens when challenging themselves to participate in certain tasks or when being spotted doing the right thing, they cashed in their tokens in this 50min block to choose from activities such as:

- Stem challenge (Designing a case to protect an egg when dropped)
- Craft table
- Class DJ
- Kids Art Hub
- Lego Challenges



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## Upcoming learning:

- Naritve writing
- Pop art
- Matariki
- Waiata Challenge



## This Week

READING	School Journal Reading. Goal: To make connections between what I already know and the text.
WRITING	Mihi writing & Presenting
MATH	Multiplication Strategies
P.E.	Soccer - understanding the purpose of holding your position on the field and ball skills
INQUIRY	1981 Springbok tour - Nz / Local History

## Stay in touch :

Please allow for 24 hours for a response.





As you may know the year 7s and 8s are blessed to have been going along to tech every Tuesday to do a bunch of activities including tech styles, product design, music, food tech, etc. This term the year 8s are doing product design. They are learning to measure, design and build a wooden box with their choice of any black and white image to burn onto it. The year 7s are doing music. They have been learning music chords whilst also learning rhythm and beats on multiple instruments.

While the year 7 and 8s were at tech the year 6s, Mr Drury, Mr Jepsen and some local friends Terry and Ray, very kindly cut some firewood for our community. 3 full trailer loads were donated to local families to keep them warm through the coming winter. It was a fun day overall for the year six's they got lollipops for their mahi as well as wearing mufti for the day.

At the start of the year room 5 started a book named White Lies, Maori Legends and Fairytales. We have been loving this book throughout the whole first term. It was well written and a very good story overall.

As winter approaches our class has been very excited about the upcoming winter sports. Where your child gets to choose out of four sports, This year Ngahinapouri has given the choice of football, netball, rugby and golf and we hope to see you there.

We are also very excited about the upcoming Matariki and all the activities to come with it. We will be having a soup day, singing waiatas and doing karakias and more to represent Matariki.

Camp is coming fast and we are very excited to hear where we are going. We have been to multiple camps that have been awesome and are excited to see what comes this year.

Written proudly by Lord Luca the III and Lord Ezekiel the III

AKA Luca Neal and Zeke Hollows



# Room 6

Kia ora Parents/Whanau

The children have all settled well back into Room 6 routines. A special welcome to Max and Te Aira.

Thank you for making sure that your child has their book each day. The students need to put their book bags into their tote tray when they arrive at school each morning.

Please feel free contact me if you are concerned about your child's learning -  
jane.coles@rukuhia.school.nz

## Curriculum Focus this week:

- ⇒ Reading - who/where/when/why
- ⇒ Writing - recount/character description/poem response
- ⇒ Maths - number knowledge
- ⇒ Social Sciences - Maori Legends & Narratives
- ⇒ Health & PE - large ball skills and games
- ⇒ The Arts - drawing skills. Creating Papatuanuku, Ranginui and Tane-Mahuta

Letters for Week 1: a m s f o

Word Family for Week 1: rag/bag

Letters for Week 2: p t c I qu

Word Family for Week 2: dog/log



# 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 is a stylized green shape with a black outline, resembling a leaf or a banner, set against a light blue background with green hills. The text "RUKUHIA SCHOOL" is written in white, bold, uppercase letters across the green shape.

**RUKUHIA SCHOOL**



# Uniform Supplier

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

[www.logou2.com](http://www.logou2.com)

- 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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