



# Newsletter Term2 Week 9

KIA ORA

- Matariki Soup Day is this Thursday 27th, see information later in the newsletter.
- Next Wednesday 3rd July is Hot Chocolate Mufti Day. \$5 pp, proceeds go to the senior school camp.
- ICAS registrations close on 29th of July.
- Please see the Badminton notice. If you do not receive an invoice for the \$5 you have nothing to pay, if you have received an invoice please ensure you pay this in a timely manner.

This is the last Newsletter this term. I want to wish you and your families a safe and happy holiday.  
See you all in Term 3!

Robyn

# Important Dates

## Term 2 2024

- ◆ Thursday 27th June—Matariki Celebrations
- ◆ Friday 28th June—Matariki
- ◆ Wednesday 3rd July—Hot Chocolate Mufti Day
- ◆ Friday 5th July—Last day of Term 2

## 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

**Matariki Celebration**  
**Thursday, 27th June 2024**



The students are excited about our school *Matariki Celebration*, which is this Thursday, 27th June. We acknowledge that many of our parents are working, but feel free to join us even if it is only for the soup lunch at 1.00 pm. We will have a gluten free broccoli soup available.

Our school celebration will consist of planting some native trees and a soup luncheon. Parents/whanau are invited to join us. You are welcome to wander through the classrooms to view your child's learning. Students may bring along a kite to fly (if we have any wind) - **PLEASE DO NOT GO OUT AND PURCHASE A KITE**. Students are welcome to bring a kite that they have made at home, or we're pretty sure that other students will share their kites.

We will finish with an assembly at 2.00 pm.

- 12.20 pm Parents/whanau are welcome to arrive
- 12.30 pm Waiata, karakia and planting of trees. Flying of kites.
- 1.00 pm Lunch - **please bring a cup suitable for soup**. Feel free to wander through your child's classroom.
- 2.00 pm Assembly incorporating a Matariki Story

If you are an ex pupil of Rukuhia School then contact Jane if you would like to plant a tree in our native bush area. [jane.coles@rukuhia.school.nz](mailto:jane.coles@rukuhia.school.nz)



## **Camp fundraiser**

**Wednesday the 3rd of  
July**

**\$5**

**Gets you :**

- **Mufti day**
- **Cookietime**
- **Hot Choc, please  
bring a mug!**

**Can be paid via cash or  
online to the PTA bank  
account:**

**12-3122-0283284-000**

**Please add student  
name as a ref.**

# Badminton



We are excited to say that we have organised some **badminton coaching** for Room's 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 for Term 3. It will be for one day a week for five weeks. There is a cost for this activity - \$5 per child for the Term, and this will be taken out of your child's activity fee. If you do not have any credit on your child's account you will receive an invoice for this which is to be paid into the school bank account, alternatively you can bring the cash into the office. Special thanks to the Board of Trustees for subsidizing this extra curricular activity.

# Rukuhia Schools

## FOREST OF THE FUTURE



The students of Rukuhia School have planted over 100 native trees within our forests. Each student has their name attached to the tree they have planted. Restore Native Ltd are the angels behind this incredible donation. "A school grows great when students plant trees whose shade they shall never sit".

# Writing



Room



The students have finished publishing their narratives which are now in our class bookcase. In these, we had to include a character, setting, problem, solution and lesson.

Lots of work and effort went into editing and upgrading these before we finished our final draft. The students then designed their own book covers and illustrated each part of the story. We read these to Room 2 who gave us some lovely feedback. Room 2 could even answer some questions about our stories. We look forward to sharing these with our whanau for Matariki too! Enjoy these snap shots of Room 1 sharing their story with a Room 2 buddy...





# ROOM 2 NEWSLETTER

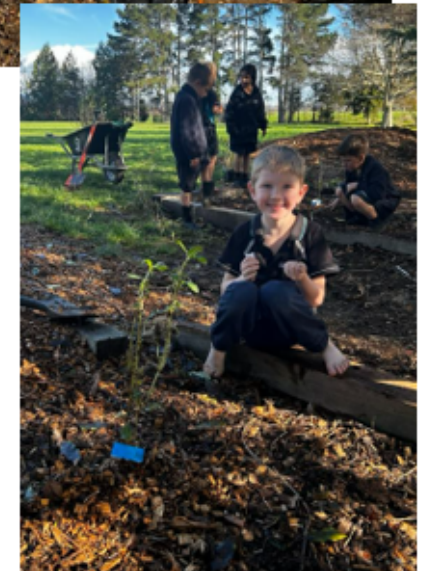


## A NOTE FROM THE TEACHER...

Room 2 were lucky enough to have Mrs Esselbrugge teach them about trees. They then each planted a tree in our little native area ahead of Matariki celebration.

Our sea creature of the week has been jellyfish. Head into our class to see our amazing creations. We also managed to produce so great writing about jellyfish.

We have been reading a lot of non-fiction texts lately. Then we can gather information and share it with other reading groups. Please continue to read with your child each night as this builds their reading mileage.



## This Week:

<b>Reading</b>	Comprehension
<b>Writing</b>	Language features
<b>Maths</b>	Fractions
<b>P.E.</b>	Football
<b>Inquiry</b>	Jellyfish

## STAY IN TOUCH:

[Olivia.andrew@rukuhia.school.nz](mailto:Olivia.andrew@rukuhia.school.nz)

## Room 3 - Class News

### Respect

We are discussing what respect looks like in class, around school, with our friends & with our classmates. We acknowledge that respect looks different to everyone. What's it like in your home?

### Routines

**Monday** - Homework books with spelling words come home. These should be practiced during the week.

**Wednesday** - Library Day

**Friday** - Homework books and poem books to school

### Upcoming Learning

History of Kirikiriroa

### Quote for the week

Try using one of these at home this week...

Ka pai ma hoki  
Wow, that is really good!

Miharo - Awesome

### Stay in touch

Please allow 24 hours for a response.  
[leanne.adam@rukuhia.school.nz](mailto:leanne.adam@rukuhia.school.nz)

### This fortnight

**Reading** Reading about Matariki and what it means to us.

**Writing** Writing information reports

**Maths** Finishing time and then learning about algorithms

**Spelling** No spelling homework for the rest of the term.

### Inquiry

For the remainder of the term, we are looking at the history of Kirikiriroa / Hamilton.

The students will be asking questions about our city as homework tasks as well as completing research in class.

Keep an eye out in their homework books or on google classroom.

## Room 3 - Class News

This week we were privileged to have Aras' dad Kaya come and bring us lunch. We were treated to Turkish Iskenders!

Kaya and his family are your friendly faces at the Turkish Kebab Stop at the Urlich Ave shops.

Contact them



**TURKISH  
KEBABSTOP**

<http://kebabstop.co.nz/>

## Lunch in Room 3



# ROOM 4 CLASS NEWS

HOMES  
OF  
THE  
MATARIKI  
STARS



## A note from the teacher:

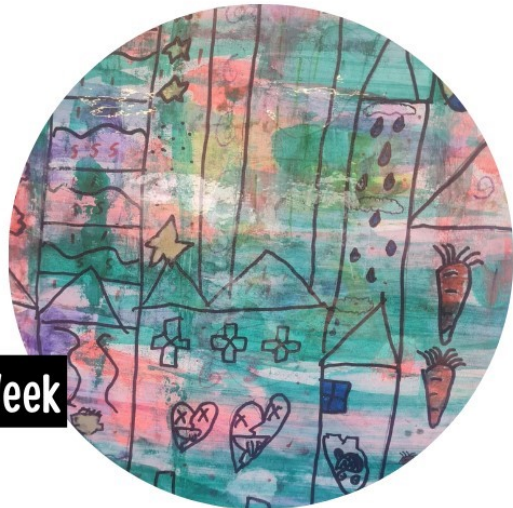
Room 4 worked as a team and all played their part to complete a great performance for the waiata challenge on Friday. The lyrics of the song were about being staunch in the speaking of te reo, and they embodied this message. They have also worked really hard this week, focusing on completing their speeches and they are starting to see some results from their efforts. We also have most of our Matariki art up ready for open classrooms on Thursday.

Mrs H



## Upcoming learning:

- Presenting speeches
- Decimals
- Matariki
- Mufti Day 3 July (Wednesday)



Week

CLASS READING	Read to: Hatchet While listening to this story we are stopping to discuss predictions and unusual vocabulary.
WRITING	Persuasive speech writing - We are learning ways to build the audience's trust in us by adding research into our speeches.
MATH	READ AND INTERPRET TIME ON ANALOG AND DIGITAL CLOCKS, INCLUDING 24-HOUR TIME
INQUIRY	Famous persuasive speeches

## Stay in touch :

Please allow for 24 hours for a response.



tyler.hagg@rukuhia.school.nz



# ROOM 5 NEWSLETTER

"My door is always open"  
steve.jepsen@rukuhia.school.nz



**Mathematics:**  
Adding Fractions

**Inquiry:**  
D.I.Y Raft construction

**Reading:**  
Comprehension

**Health & PE:**  
Ball Skills / Winter Sports

**Writing:**  
Persuasive Speeches

**Weekly Focus:**  
Respect

This week up here in Room 5 we have been writing and delivering some captivating speeches with topics ranging from 'Dogs are better than cats' to 'Why the world needs more respect'. The class has been working on electrifying the audience with dynamic introductions, ensuring ideas flow smoothly, gestures and eye contact are used, body language looks natural and most importantly... We have fun sharing our ideas to the class.

This week Mr Jepsen brung some exciting news to the class, Room 5 will be designing and constructing our very own DIY Rafts. Once constructed, students will nominate one lucky group member to paddle their questionable construction across the freezing cold school pool. A bit of free entertainment for the entire school in Week 10.

## Room 6

Kia ora Parents/Whanau

Room 6 students were very enthusiastic about planting the trees in the native bush area. This is part of our Matariki Celebration, which is this Thursday, 27th June. Feel free to bring along whanau members and friends. You are welcome to come into Room 6 and have a look at your child's learning this term.

Within our time unit the students learnt about years, seasons, months, days, weeks and most of them are now able to tell 'o'clock' times.

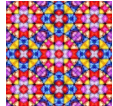
The students have produced some fabulous artwork this term - Tawhirimatea plus the Bird Woman.

This week we will be focusing on Matariki and we will be learning how to weave. If you have any odd balls of wool that you no longer need then please send them into school.

Please email me any questions -  
[jane.coles@rukuhia.school.nz](mailto:jane.coles@rukuhia.school.nz)



## Curriculum Focus this week:

- ⇒ Reading - who/where/when/why/how
- ⇒ Writing - adding detail to stories and using describing words
- ⇒ Maths - Algebra: Patterns 
- ⇒ Social Sciences - Maori Legends & Narratives
- ⇒ Health & PE - large ball skills and games including soccer/basketball
- ⇒ The Arts - drawing skills. Creating Maui and the Sun

Letters for Week 9: g l y r	Word Family for Week 9: bug/rug
Letters for Week 10: a m s f c	Word Family for Week 10: sip/lip





Kia Ora everyone,

The school holidays are fast approaching yet again, so if you are in need of care, please email me at [Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com](mailto:Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com) and I will send you out the holiday form to book in.

Lisa

Email:  
[Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com](mailto:Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com)

<p><b>Monday 8 July</b>            Crazy <u>Hair</u> day/</p>  <p><b>Nerf gun fun zone</b>            Get creative with your hair and bring your "A" game for some nerf gun fun. Bring your bullets and guns if you have any, at your own risk.</p>	<p><b>Tuesday 9 July</b>  <u>Masterchef</u> / Baking Day</p>  <p>Roll up your sleeves and get ready to make our morning and afternoon tea!</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 10 July</b>            Quiz/ scavenger Hunt/ challenge day</p>  <p>Come have fun and test your knowledge on some quizzes, take part in some challenges and <u>lets</u> wrap up warm and go outside for a scavenger hunt all over school.</p>	<p><b>Thursday 11 July</b>            PJ Day and movie day</p>  <p>No need to get dressed today! Roll out of bed and come right on in!</p>	<p><b>Friday 12 July</b>            Friendship Day</p>  <p>Today is all about being kind to our peers and what we can do to help make friends.</p>
<p><b>Monday 15 July</b>            Mindfulness Day</p>  <p>Today is all about <u>centering</u> ourselves and making sure that we stay grounded to who we are.</p>	<p><b>Tuesday 16 July</b>            Science Day</p>  <p>Grab your lab coats, it's going to be a fizzing, explosive day!</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 17 July</b>            Arts and Crafts Day</p>  <p>Unwind and relax with some <u>fantastic</u> arts and crafts!</p>	<p><b>Thursday 18 July</b>            Wearable Arts Day</p>  <p>Bring out your inner designer. Strut your stuff on the runway in a creation of your own.</p>	<p><b>Friday 19 July</b>            Dance party</p>  <p>Say goodbye to the holidays with a day full of fun and party games!</p>

- Please make sure that you have appropriate footwear and attire.
- All children will need a packed lunch that will suffice for the following: morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea.
- Please also pack togs and a towel for your child as well as a change of clothes.

**PRICES:** All prices are inclusive of GST

**Full day:** 7:15am - 5:30pm \$45

**School day:** 9am - 3pm \$35



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are delighted to inform you that Rukuhia School will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS competition this year.

**What is ICAS?**

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals.

We encourage you to consider entering your child into ICAS this year.

**Access details for parents**

**Our school access code is:** EMN431

**Our parent page link is:** <https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>

**ICAS will close for orders on 29th July 2024**



# Parent Payment System

## How to buy ICAS tests for your child.

If your school has signed up to the Parent Payment System (PPS), follow these **4 easy steps** to purchase the right tests for your child.



1

**KEEP**

the "access code" that your school gives you to use the PPS handy.

2

**VISIT**

[shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps](https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps) and enter your school's access code.

3

**ENTER**

your child's details and select the subjects you wish to purchase.

4

**PAY**

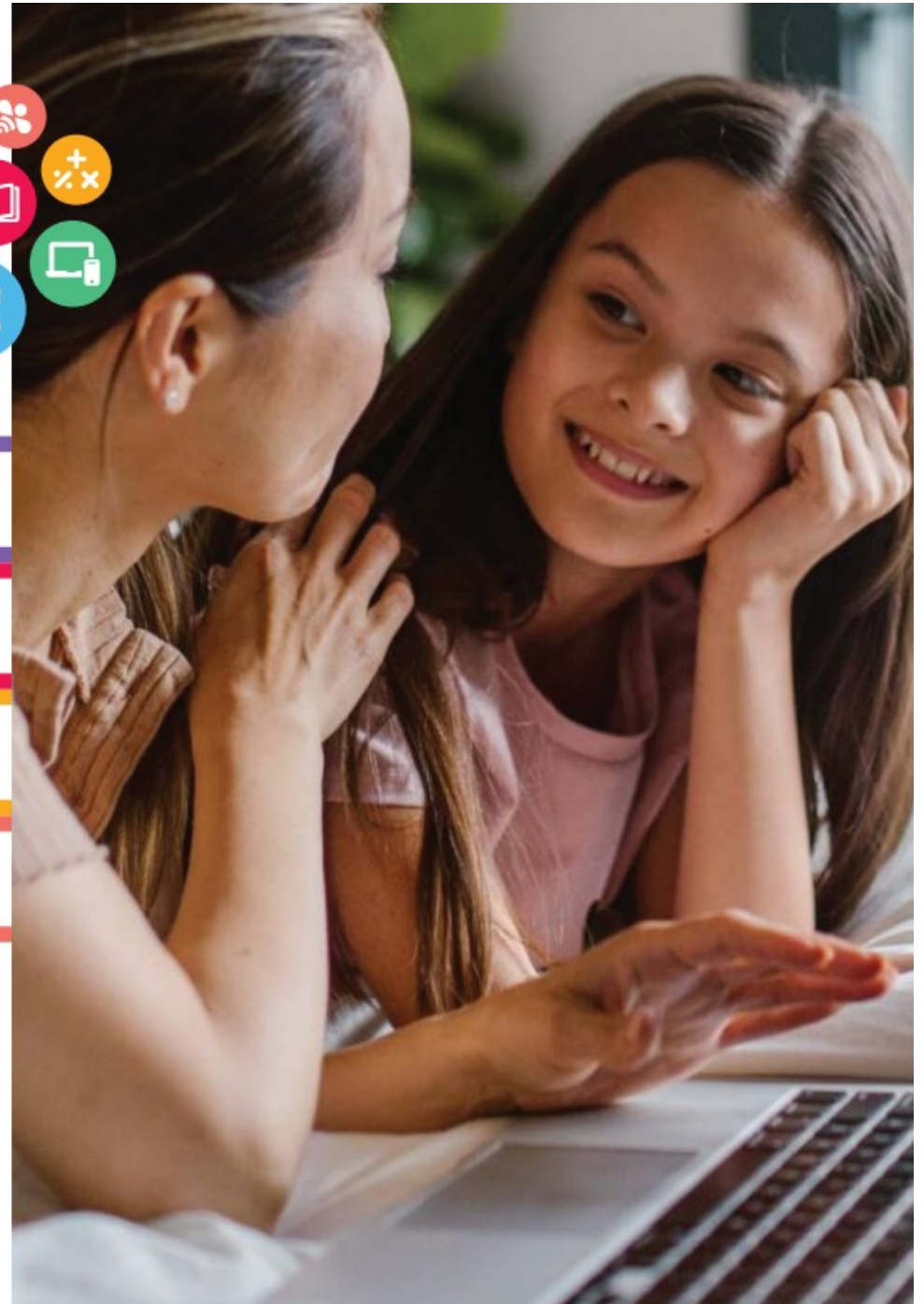
using your credit or debit card. This is the most secure way to pay.

### What happens next?

Your child's school will run ICAS from here. In the meantime, you can purchase practice materials from the ICAS Assessments shop <https://www.icasassessments.com/shop-parents/>

Your school will notify you when online results are ready and will send the certificate home with your child.

**ICAS**  
assessments



# Waipa Animal Control

Waipa animal control have asked us to reach out to our community who might be considering adding a dog to their family.

If you are interested in getting a forever pet please look through their Facebook page as well.

All dogs must be rehomed to securely fenced properties, and new owners must be prepared to register and micro-chip the dog, and also to vaccinate and desex (if not already desexed).

<https://www.facebook.com/WaipAnimalControl/>



# Urgent Dog Rescue

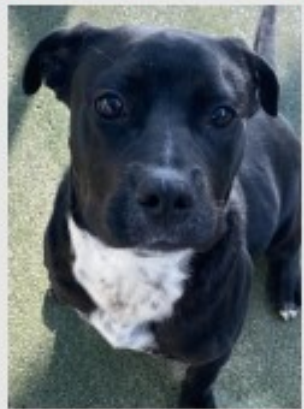
Help! Please ... can you give a dog a home? All here are in urgent need of a home.



Introducing "Hazel": Mixed breed girl, quiet and respectful. Loves to run but enjoys peace, and would prefer to be an only dog.



Introducing "Buddy": Buddy is young and fun, needs an active owner who loves going on adventures.



Introducing "Milly": Young, cute, fun-loving and social. Could your family be her new home??

For more information, or if you can offer any of these beautiful dogs a forever home, please contact:

Helen M or Linda  
0800 924 723, mobile 027 584 7073 or  
[aco@waipadr.govt.nz](mailto:aco@waipadr.govt.nz)



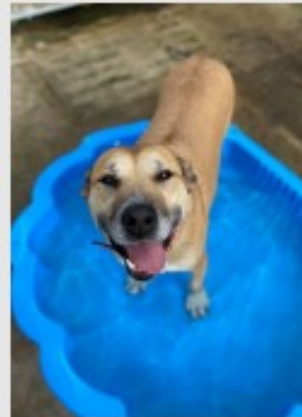
Introducing "Stella": 5/6 months old, but low energy for a pup. Shy at first, but very affectionate once she gets to know you. She is a calm girl and social with other dogs.

**New owners must be prepared to register, microchip, vaccinate and desex the dog. And property must be fenced to dog-proof standard.**

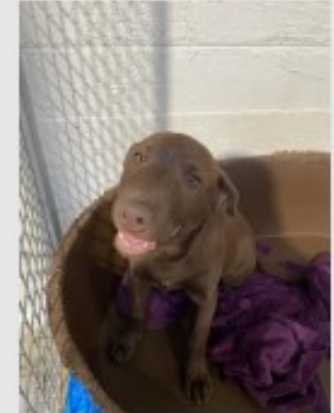
**You can't change the world by adopting an animal, but you can change the whole world for that animal.**

# Urgent Dog Rescue

Help! Please ... can you give a dog a home? All here are in urgent need of a home.



Introducing "Meg": female, middle-aged, affectionate, great listener, seeks calm and loving home.



Introducing "Ted": Mixed breed, 4 months old, male. Rough and tumble prankster. Super cute.



Introducing "Lola": Lab x, 4 months old, female, gorgeous, smart, playful. Super special.

For more information, or if you can offer any of these beautiful dogs a forever home, please contact:

Helen M or Linda  
0800 924 723, mobile 027 584 7073 or  
[aco@waipadr.govt.nz](mailto:aco@waipadr.govt.nz)



Introducing "Pippa": Mixed breed, 4 months old, female, unique colours, sweet and playful.

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<https://www.schoolfundraisingshop.org.nz/>



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# 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](mailto: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.



**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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