



# Newsletter Term3 Week 8

## KIA ORA

- Weather pending there will be a certificate assembly at 2.30pm on the courts this Friday, 13th August. This is due to Disco setup taking place in the hall.
- School Disco is this Friday!!!
- AG Day is coming on 17th October. If you are entering in an animal, please make sure this is registered at the office prior to the end of term.



- Big congratulations to our Rukuhia students who have done so well in their extra curricula sporting events this winter. Thankyou to those who shared their success.
- Just a reminder if your are collecting your child prior to 3pm or dropping them off after 9am THEY MUST BE SIGNED IN OR OUT at the office. **All** absentees please call the office and leave a message or email the office.

# Important Dates

## **Term 3 2024**

Friday 13th September—School Disco

Friday 20th September—Wheels Day

## **Term 4 2024**

Thursday 17th October—AG Day—registrations close end of term 3.

Thursday 24th October—AG Group Day

Friday 6th December— Spud Day

## **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



**Congratulations to all those seniors that raised money to considerably reduce their camp costs.**

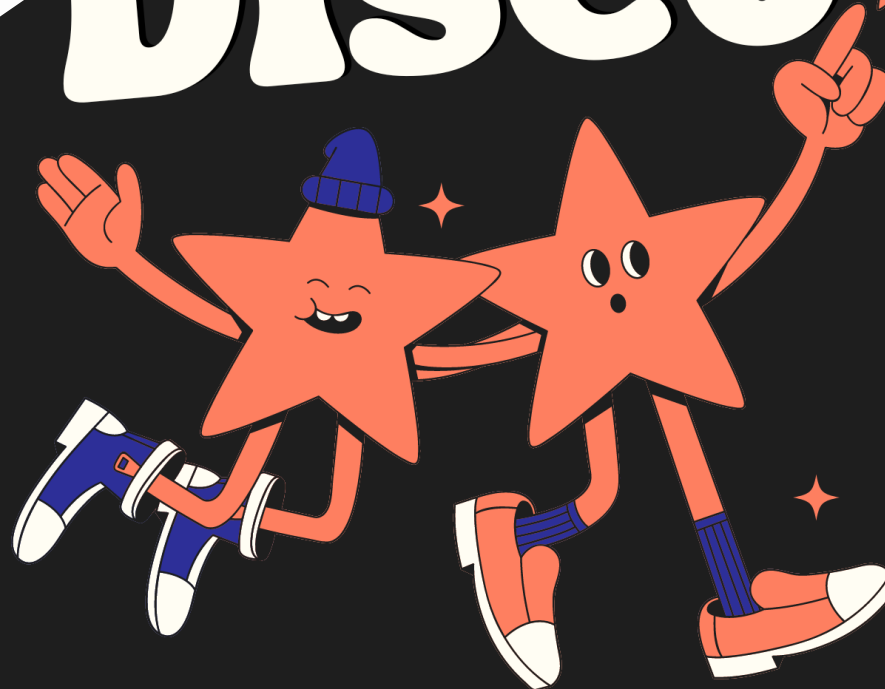
**A third of our students got behind this and collectively they raised \$1736.00**

**The amounts raised went directly of their own camp fees.**

**Awesome effort!!**

**To those that supported them, Thank You.**

it's time to  
**Disco**



**STARRY NIGHT**

DRESS UP IN YOUR FAVOURITE COSTUME  
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE. CASH ONLY PLEASE  
PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO STAY  
BRING SOME COINS FOR FOOD AND DRINKS

**TICKET \$5**

**5:30-7:00PM**

**GOODIE BAGS**

**13 SEPTEMBER 2024 | RUKUHIA COMMUNITY HALL**

RUKUHIA SCHOOL

# WHEELS DAY!

20 September 2024

**\$1 PER WHEEL**

Bikes - Scooters - Rollerblades - Skates  
Skateboards - Drift Bikes - Unicycles...

*Bring whatever you like and as much as you like!*

\$1 Mufti Day option

50c Bake Sale available

Spot Prizes & Competitions on the day

***MUST HAVE HELMET!!!!***

# **AG Day is coming**

**AG Day will be held on 17th October and Group Day will be on  
24th October**

**Its time to start the AG Day conversations and think about taking on a  
Lamb, Calf or Kid .**

**Get in! Get Involved!**

**As soon as you have an animal please come and put your registration in at the office.**

**Registrations close on Friday 27th September.**

If you would like to participate in a rearing programme for Ag Day, Ray Cotterell & Rachel Hawkings have generously organised an opportunity where student feed and walk a calf daily with Sundays off. If you would like to learn more about this programme, please contact Ray or Rachel on:

Ray: 0212460022

Rachel: 0221556252







## Free Lambs Available For Rearing

- + Free four day old lambs
- + Fed Colostrum
- + Dipped Naval
- + Health Check Complete



VET ENT

TE AWAMUTU

Presents

PET DAY



At VetEnt Te Awamutu we want to support our children in the community with their Ag Day calves, goats & lambs. We are holding 2 Saturday clinics for children to bring in their calf, goat or lamb for a **FREE** health check & vaccination before their big day. We will have a BBQ running and a goodie bag for the children.

Call the clinic on 07 872 0240 to book your spot. Spaces are limited.

Saturday 31 Aug  
Saturday 28 Sept  
from 9am till 12 noon





SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR

# RUKUHIA SCHOOL



FUN FOR  
THE WHOLE  
FAMILY



# FAIR



GAMES  
CLASS STALLS  
FOOD

FRIDAY 8 NOVEMBER

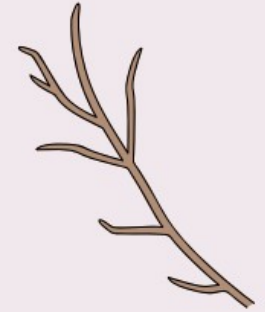
- 4PM TO 6PM -



# Room 1 news

## What are we learning?

Throughout the term, we have been reading a novel called Sunken Forest. It is a story about a boy named Matt who meets a giant longfin eel named Elsa, and develops a unique friendship with her. We have been doing some descriptive writing about Elsa the eel and her home; a sunken forest in Lake Waikaremoana. The students have also made a watercolour display in our classroom of the sunken forest. They are very proud of the effort they put into this. Parents are most welcome to come in and see the wonderful display of our eels and our descriptive writing.



## Reminders

Please bring the following books to school every Friday:

- Home learning book
- Poem book
- Reading book

## Cross Country

Congratulations to Room 1's Lower Waipa cross-country runners who represented Rukuhia School for the first time. Ava A, Ava W, Nina, Emily, and Fenn, we are all very proud of you!



# ROOM 2 NEWSLETTER

## A NOTE FROM THE TEACHER...

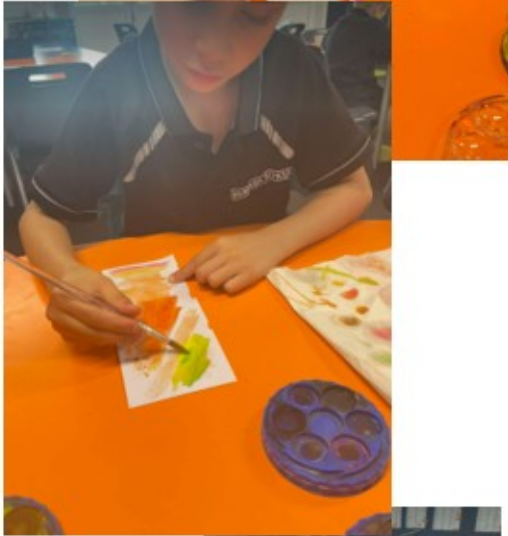
Room 2 has been busy learning all about seeds—how they grow, what they need, and the different types we can find in nature. To add some creativity to our learning, we've also been blending watercolours to paint beautiful seed-inspired artwork. The students are exploring how colours mix and flow, just like how seeds grow and change. It's been a fantastic hands-on learning experience! We were also kindly gifted some eggs from Beau, so we decided to make some delicious brownies.

## This Week:

<b>Reading</b>	Vocabulary
<b>Writing</b>	Similes and adjectives
<b>Maths</b>	Multiplication/Division
<b>P.E.</b>	Football
<b>Inquiry</b>	Plants

## STAY IN TOUCH:

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



# Room 3 - Class News

## Using our WITS

We are currently discussing what our WITS are. These are part of our school's values. Ask your child what WITS stands for.

W - walk away from situations you don't like

I - Ignore behaviours that you can't control

T - Tell a teacher/grownup if you don't like something

S - Seek further help if you still have a problem.

## 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

## Poetry

**What's your favourite poem?**  
We are reading and writing poems this week. I have been sharing my favourite AA Milne poems with the children. Can you dig out a poem from your childhood to share with your child or maybe even ask the grandparents.

Check your emails for details of the classes upcoming poem recital!!!

## Quote for the week

"Every poem you read to your child is a tiny adventure, sparking their imagination and inviting them to explore the world of words."

## 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 for meaning and reading assessment

**Writing** Poetry

**Maths** Angles

**Spelling** Weekly Spelling and end of term spelling testing.'

## Inquiry

**History of Kirikiriroa**  
This week we are completing our research into either a suburb of Hamilton or one of our beautiful bridges. The students are using their laptops to research and create a poster for a classroom display.

Our next learning will be on the history of key features of the city.

# ROOM 4

## CLASS NEWS

### Upcoming learning:

- Speeches
- Spelling testing
- Ratio
- Reading testing



### A note from the teacher:

Room 4 Update: Exploring Maths, Writing, and the Human Body!  
 In the last two weeks, Room 4 has been engaging in hands-on learning activities to deepen their understanding of math concepts. We measured the court using chalk and one-meter rulers to grasp the concept of area better. This exercise helped the students realize the practicality of using a simple formula for quicker calculations in the future. Taking this a step further, we measured the school swimming pool to calculate how many cubic meters of concrete would be needed to fill it. This was an exciting way for students to learn about calculating volume. Our math focus has been on perimeter, the area of rectangles and triangles, and the volume of rectangular and triangular prisms.

In writing, we've just wrapped up our narrative unit and have moved on to writing color poems. The students have been using fancy color names from paint samples to create their masterpieces. Next, we will be focusing on writing persuasive speeches as they prepare to convince their peers why they would make great class leaders for Term 4.

Let's see if Room 4 can pass this challenge: As part of our inquiry into the human body, we've been learning about the names of our bones. When you see your child next point to a bone in their body and see if they can name it! Our upcoming focus will be on muscles.

Thank you for your continued support!

-Mrs H 😊



### This Week

CLASS READING	Read to: Holes Another resilience themed story with plenty of new vocab to learn and discuss.
READING	Interpreting graphs, pictures and maps in stories
MATH	Ratio and revision
INQUIRY	The students can now confidently name the bones in their body, we are moving to muscles.

### Stay in touch :

Please allow for 24 hours for a response.



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# ROOM 5 NEWSLETTER

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**Mathematics:**  
Volume

**Inquiry:**  
Monuments of the World

**Writing:**  
We are reporters!

**Health & PE:**  
Working as a team

**Weekly Focus:**  
Our new space and how it works moving forward

**Reading:**  
What is the authors purpose and to determine this

## **This Week's Focus:**

We have officially moved back in to our classroom and boy it feels great to be home. The roof may seem lower and the walls are closing in on us but the spirits and learning ethic within those four walls has never been bigger. Both students and teacher are excited about the learning coming our way at full speed and the expectations that come along with this.

## **Mathematics**

Volume may have been explored through the sound of the teachers voice bouncing off the walls of the hall in past weeks, but this week it is taking on new forms. Student's are learning about calculating the volume of rectangular and triangular prisms along with cones, cylinders and spheres. The calculators are out and the kids are feeling like real high-school students as they dive deep in to this new learning. Speaking of "diving", lets work out the volume of the school pool while we are at it.

## **Reading**

Monuments of the World is our Inquiry focus at the moment. While students research and learn about various structures around the world along with some on our backdoor step here in New Zealand, students of Room 5 are learning some topic specific words and some interesting facts that have left their jaws on the floor as they appreciate the share size of these incredible monuments and the purpose of their construction.

## **Writing**

We have all become reporters! The students of Room 5 will be constructing a Rukuhia School Newspaper which will dive deep in to topics close to their hearts and of high interest of the students of Rukuhia School. Each student has designed a plan of attack and will be interviewing and researching various topics such as 'What is really on Mr Drurys computer?', 'What do teachers get up to at home?' and 'The history of Rukuhia School 50+ years ago'. Watch this space as I have high hopes it will be something incredible we will ALL want to read.



## Room 6

Kia ora Parents/Whanau

We are very excited about the school disco this Friday - the students are counting the 'sleeps'!

Within maths we are ordering numbers up to 100, still counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. Our focus has been addition and subtraction. The students have been making number bonds - view the photos on this page. We have recently purchased some new maths equipment and the students have had fun experimenting with the different resources.

Our 'Writing Boot Camp' is continuing to generate interest and we have been using story books to identify adjectives and examples of alliteration. Feel free to have a read through your child's writing book.

Feel free to email me if you have any concerns about your child's learning.  
[jane.coles@rukuchia.school.nz](mailto:jane.coles@rukuchia.school.nz)

## Curriculum Focus this week:

- ⇒ Reading - who/where/when/why/how
- ⇒ **Writing Boot Camp** - adding detail to stories, using describing words and using direct speech. *Writing super sentences*
- ⇒ Maths - Number: subtraction
- ⇒ Social Sciences - Olympics
- ⇒ Health & PE - outdoor games
- ⇒ The Arts - creating characters using different textures

We would like any of the following please:  
wool, felt, buttons, old necklaces or old brooches.



Thank you to Beau and his Mum for the delicious banana cake.



Letters for Week 8: qu h n o d	Word Family for Week 8: at/mat
Letters for Week 9: g l v y r	Word Family for Week 9 not/pot



Rukuhia Rockets & Roosters had another awesome season, once again being recognised for their great sportsmanship. Their skills have really come a long way, and their love for the game has grown heaps. Super proud of every kid for giving it a go and, most importantly, having fun!



# Congratulations Elliot

## Achievement - Ōhaupō 7th Grade Cyclones 2024 Achievement “Jacob Kite Cup” - Ohaupo Jr rugby club 2024



**Elliot Evans - 7th Grade Cyclones**  
Elliot has had an amazing first season and this has been recognised by a number of opposition teams giving her POD. She gives training and games 100% and more than holds her own against the boys. When this young lady is carrying the ball she has the most impressive fend. Well done on a great season Elliot.

# Congratulations Lexi

**Most valuable Player 2024 Netball**




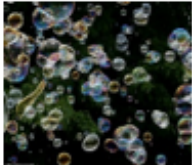







It's that time again, if you are needing to use the holiday programme please email: [Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com](mailto:Rukuhiasavedbythebell@gmail.com) for an online enrolment form.

Also if anyone has any big boxes at home from fridge deliveries etc we would love to have them for the holiday programme for fort making

Thanks heaps, stay amazing and awesome

Lisa

<p><b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September</b> MasterChef / Baking Day</p>  <p>Let's start the holidays with some delicious baking. Roll up your sleeves and get ready to make our morning and afternoon tea!</p>	<p><b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October</b> Kindy day:</p>  <p>Let's get back to our early childhood memories. Think playdough, bubbles, gloop, balloons and more.!</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October</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> go outside for a scavenger hunt all over school.</p>	<p><b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October</b> Wheels day</p>  <p>Bring along any kind of wheels and a helmet. <u>Lets</u> have some races, count the laps and go explore over the school grounds.</p>	<p><b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October</b></p>  <p>. Nerf gun fun zone</p> <p>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>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October</b> Obstacle course/ box fort building</p>  <p><u>Lets</u> get fort building, blankets, boxes lets get creative.</p>	<p><b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October</b> Science Day</p>  <p>Grab your lab coats, it's going to be a fizzing, explosive day!</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October</b> Arts and Crafts Day</p>  <p>Unwind and relax with some <u>fantastic</u> arts and crafts!</p>	<p><b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October</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 11<sup>th</sup> October</b> Party/ <u>Movie day</u></p>  <p>Say goodbye to the holidays with a day full of fun party games and movies.</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:**

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

School day: 9am - 3pm \$35

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

# 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/>



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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  
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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