



Newsletter Term4 Week 8

KIA ORA

This is the final newsletter for 2024 and goodbye from me.

Thank you all for making me so welcome and I will truly miss all our families and staff.

I am leaving you in the very capable hands of Niamh O'Brien. Niamh not only has an admin background but is also a teacher. Please make her feel welcome.

I wish you all a very happy Christmas and hope for an amazing 2025.

A couple of final reminders:

- ◆ Final assembly and end of year is next Friday 13th December at 11am Hall, school will complete for 2024 at the conclusion of assembly.
- ◆ For those that didn't take advantage of the stationery pack, a link to OfficeMax has been sent to you for you to either purchase through them or just get the list of their site so you can purchase elsewhere.
- ◆ **Please remember that ALL stationery must be purchased and brought to school on the first day next term.**

Take Care
Robyn



Important Dates

Term 4 2024

Friday 6th December— Spud Day

Friday 13th December—Final assembly 11am in the Hall—Last day of School for 2024

2025 Term Dates

Term 1 2025

28th January— 11th April

Term 2 2025

28th April—27th June

Term 3 2025

14th July—19th September

Term 4 2025

6th October—TBC

Thank you to the below for contributing to our School Fair!



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Fun Zone

**Sarah Millian for the amazing
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- Kevin the Train Driver
- The Hawkings Family for the Bouncy Castle
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- ALL the teachers for their efforts and awesome



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ROOM 1 NEWSLETTER



OUR LATEST PROJECT

Room 1 students have really enjoyed learning all about our native trees here in Aotearoa. Following our poetic writing unit using trees as our main subject, students have been getting creative with water colours, with their creative expression encouraged using tools and techniques that don't involve a paintbrush.



WE WILL BE SWIMMING
EVERY AFTERNOON FOR
P.E. PLEASE REMIND
STUDENTS TO PACK THEIR
TOGS.

THERE ARE STILL SOME
LIBRARY BOOKS AND
WEEKLY READING BOOKS
NEEDING TO BE
RETURNED. PLEASE
LOOK OUT FOR THESE.

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR YOUR
CHILD'S WONDERFUL ART
WORK THEY HAVE MADE THIS
YEAR. WORK WILL BE GOING
HOME EVERYDAY.

ROOM 2

NEWSLETTER

A NOTE FROM THE TEACHER...

Room 2 has been making a splash as we get back into the pool! The tamariki have been practising their kicking, breathing, and freestyle techniques, and their growing confidence in the water is truly inspiring to see.

In maths, we've been focusing on describing positions using vocabulary like "half-turn," "above," "below," "inside," and "outside." This has been a fantastic way to develop both mathematical understanding and oral language skills as we explore these concepts through interactive activities.



This Week:

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	Writing	Check for spelling
	Maths	Positions
	P.E.	Swimming

STAY IN TOUCH:

Olivia.andrew@rukuhia.school.nz

Room 3 - Class News

Water Safety

For the next 2 weeks during swimming, we will be working on water safety, in particular skills students may need to be aware of when in pools and the sea this summer.

An email has been sent regarding a fun learning pool session this coming Friday (6 Dec).

Routines

Swimming - Daily (except the last day)

Thank you

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this year with your child's learning. The end of year results have been very positive and I believe that they are all well prepared to be Year 5's.

Quote for the week

Kindness is like sunshine—you might not see it, but it can warm someone's heart and make their day brighter.

Stay in touch

Please allow 24 hours for a response.
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This fortnight

- Reading** Reading to support our inquiry.
- Writing** connecting to Christmas
- Maths** Statistics
- Inquiry** Celebrations around the world!
- P.E.** Water safety

End of year clean up

Exercise books and worksheets will begin coming home this week. Please ask your child to empty their bookbag every night. If you no longer have a book bag, please send a bag to put these into.



This Week

CLASS READING	Read to: Paul Jennings short stories
WRITING	What traits make not only Harry Potter or Frodo Baggins but many of literature's most interesting heroes? And what do ordinary people have in common with these literary heroes? We are looking into the crucial events that make or break a hero.
MATH	This week in math, we are focusing on quantitative data and choosing the correct graph to display it.
INQUIRY	Animal Adaptations - Learning Goal: Learn how animals are suited to their habitats and how they adapt to environmental changes. Testing our knowledge with fun quizzes and creating quizzes.

Upcoming learning:

- Rewards block
- Leader lunch
- Final Assembly
- Christmas



A note from the teacher:

Kia ora Parents,

Our class has been busy achieving amazing things! We've published three books in class—an incredible effort from our young authors. We've also explored what makes and breaks a hero in storytelling and dived into the key events that shape a great narrative.

In math, we're creating bar graphs to turn our camp experiences into quantitative data, giving a fun, analytical twist to our memories. For inquiry, we've been revisiting what we've learned about animal adaptations by designing our own quizzes to test each other's knowledge.

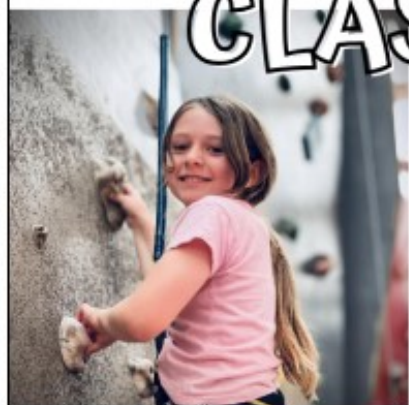
Camp was an incredible experience! A huge thank you for supporting this adventure and ensuring your children were so well-equipped. Their positive attitudes and resilience through challenges were truly inspiring and thank you again to those parents who came with us! Check out the photos to see some of the great moments!

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ngā mihi,
Mrs. H

ROOM 4

CLASS NEWS



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Please allow for 24 hours for a response.



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ROOM 5 NEWSLETTER

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Mathematics:
Revision

Writing:
Narrative / Speeches

Weekly Focus:
Reflection / Appreciation

Inquiry:
Survival

Health & PE:
Team Work

Reading:
Authors agender

Camp Raglan 2024

A massive thank you to all the parents for supporting the pre-camp organisation involved for preparing children for camp. I also want to thank all the incredible parents who attended camp and out did themselves each and every second of every day. Below are some small reflections of camp done by the students of Room 5.

Skylaa's reflection

This year's camp raglan was rad! One of my favorite highlights from Camp Raglan was the activity flying fox! It seemed pretty frightening at first, but once I went down it, I found it awesome! Sharing a room with all of my friends was also pretty cool, I liked being able to communicate with them, and having the view of the ocean. Aside from the activities I just found being on the playground's swing quite entertaining. You had an even more picturesque view of the beach than the cabins did, which felt highly unreal, like a fever dream. Something I disliked was the see-saw's, I was too big for them and had scraped my knee, besides that. Everything else on the playground was engaging and amusing. I found the silence on the hammock to be delightful and appealing, just how it was so simple to just look up to the sky, and kick back and relax.

Mackensie's Reflection

This year I went to Camp Raglan. It was awesome. I visited Bridal Veil falls. They were so high. I think someone said it was like 50 meters tall. I also enjoyed many camp activities such as a huge hydro slide where I got to race all my friends down them and the flying fox which I found super scary at first but then found thrilling to go down. I also got to go on an awesome Burma trail that I found absolutely terrifying. In my opinion, my favourite things to do on camp were going on the Burma trail with my friends and getting terrified. As well as going to the zoo on the last day and seeing all the cute and majestic animals. Personally, camp raglan was awesome. The food sucked though, but the activities that we did made me forget how bad my breakfast had tasted.

Room 6

Kia ora Parents/Whanau

Within maths we are looking at positional words such as—beside, next to, under, over, left, right, between.

Thank you for all your support with your child's learning this year. Room 6 students have made excellent progress throughout the year. You could get your child to use up left over pages in his/her writing and printing books during the holidays.

We will be celebrating students learning success next Wednesday with a shared lunch at 12 pm. Please send along a small something to share.



Curriculum Focus this week:

- ⇒ Reading - who/where/when/why/how
- ⇒ Writing - adding detail to stories, using describing words and using direct speech and writing super sentences. **Christmas writing.**
- ⇒ Maths - Measurement: **Position**
- ⇒ Health & PE - Outdoor Games & Pause/Breathe/Smile
- ⇒ The Arts - **Christmas Elves for home**

Merry Christmas to you all and a very Happy New Year!



Letters for Week 8: qu h n o d

Letters for Week 9: g l v y r

Word Family for Week 8: race/lace

Word Family for Week 9: back/rack



Kia Ora everyone,

First up I would just like to say a massive THANK YOU to all of you, for sending me your child/ren either in the holidays or the before/ after school care programme. It has been a year, that's for sure. Kerryn has officially retired although she will be back from time to time when I need her, she is already very missed by us all.

I have welcomed Karyse on board to run most of the afternoons and some mornings and will be doing the holiday programme, as I have taken a step back. I have been working at Maeroa Intermediate as a learning assistant and will be doing some teaching and learning assistant work next year as well.

As for the upcoming holidays we will be running the holiday programme from :

MONDAY 16th - FRIDAY 20th DEC. There will **unfortunately be NO after-school** care available on the **last Friday of school, the 13th December which is a 12pm finish.** Karyse is graduating and I will be at Maeroa so I don't have anyone to run it for the afternoon sorry.

We will return in January but I am wanting to see numbers before I make an official plan.

Who would be using the holiday programme from Monday 6th of Jan? Otherwise it will be running from the Mon 13th Jan - Fri 24th Jan with Rukuhia school starting on Tuesday 28th Jan.

These holidays I won't be putting out a programme as such as we have found the children just enjoy hanging out, bringing their wheels and toys from home. There will be swimming every day, and will have available all the crafts, nerf guns, science things, baking etc that we do in the programme but will just more be an interest based thing rather than a day for it.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of the year, have a safe and Merry Christmas and happy new year and all the best for 2025 for the children who won't be re-turning.

Thank you all once again

Lisa 027 569 2138

URGENT DOG RESCUE

All pups here need urgent help! Are you able to give one of these dogs a new home?

*New owners must be prepared to register, micro-chip, vaccinate and desex the dog.
Your property must also be fenced to dog-proof standard.

GEORGE



George is approx. 3 year old Sharpei x. He has the softest coat, loves a daily run, and a soft bed in the sun.

DONNY



Donny is 9/10 months old, mixed breed. He is an active dog, but also very affectionate. He is happy being next to his people, getting cuddles and scratches.

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CHARLIE



Charlie is a 9 month old Rottweiler x. He is a happy boy who loves to run, play and go on doggy adventures.

HOBBS



Hobbs is a 7-8 month old, Huntaway x. He is really food driven, playful, loves cuddles, and likes his toys.

PIPPA



Pippa is a mixed breed dog, 8 months old. She has unique colours, sweet and playful.

ZIVA



Ziva is a 3 year old Australian cattle x. She is a nice sweet lady and loves toys.

BAXTER



Baxter is young and fun, under 12 months. He has high energy and sensitive.

DOBBIE



Dobbie is a 10 month old mixed breed. Very sweet natured and sensitive, but also fun loving and playful.

LOLA



Lola is a 2-3 year old mixed breed. She has beautiful manners, loves playing with other dogs, and a lot of love to give.

GRACE



Grace is a 16 month old Huntaway x. She is a soft-natured loving pup and needs a caring home that not on a farm.

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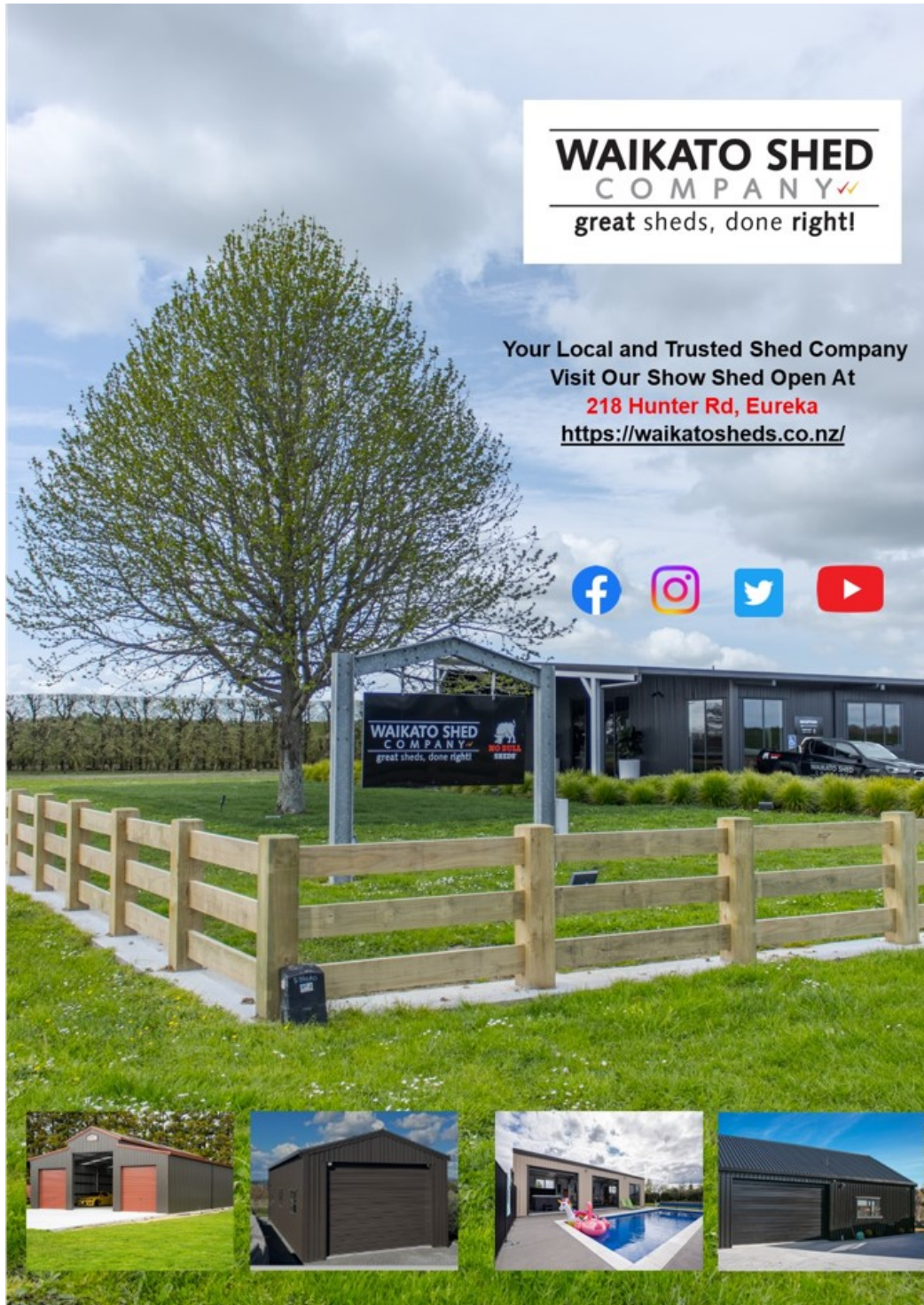
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School Times

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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

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