

# RiwakaNews

#12 - 27 September 2024



Spring is in the air!



Kia ora e te whānau - hello to all of our school families! Well that's a wrap! Term Three done and dusted for 2024 - and what an awesome term it was! There is always so much to be proud of when we put our tamariki at the centre of all that we do. They continue to blow us away when they show and grow their AWHI learner attributes.

Many of us attended the Kia Hukere te Hoe to watch our local schools perform in the regional kapa haka competition. Our very own Te Puna Waiora o Riuwaka performed their bracket on the Saturday with mana and pride. There were a few dusty eyes in the audience! We are grateful to our amazing kaiako Tess Hansen, who has been instrumental in leading this group - ensuring we received funding for new uniforms, giving time and energy above and beyond her classroom teacher and Assistant Principal role. Alongside Tess, Luke and Laura have supported our tamariki to become the polished and energetic team that they are. Huge thanks also to Carrie Thomas, Maihi Barber, Jacinda Piggott and Natala Bain for the 'extra' you have given. We have received all of the professional photos now and also the video of our performance which is available for viewing on our Facebook page.

It was great to recognise our amazing learners this morning at our Learning Celebration Assembly and also to catch up with so many whānau. I wish you all a wonderful term break with your lovely tamariki, making the most of (hopefully) a less rushed timetable and an extra coffee in the mornings! We can't wait to do it all again in Term 4, with swimming, athletics and loads of that 'other stuff' that we do so well here at Riwaka School.

> I look forward to seeing you at Our Place... if you want to pop in for a chat, I will always try to make time for you.

Mauri ora - Be well! Adele <u>lidg</u>ard

Tumuaki - Principal



# OUR KIDS ONLINE

Come along to hear Rob Cope ...

#### Rob's talk will cover:

- Cyberbullying How bullies can reach our kids 24/7
- **Social media** How social media is affecting the mental health in 3 out of 5 children. FOMO, depression, anxiety
- Gaming and the developing brain An oversupply of dopamine leading to dopamine deficiency, synaptic pruning, and the underdevelopment of social skills and empathy
- **Naked Selfies** The pressure to send nudes from intermediate up through high school
- Online predators The methods they use, how to spot them
- Online porn vs healthy sexuality How consuming online pornography as a child or teen can create a sexual template where violence, aggression, and dominance are seen as normal and consent can become very blurry.

#### Solutions:

- Filters Which filters are best and how to install them
- Smartphones How to lock down a smartphone to make it a safe phone
- Boundaries How to put good boundaries in place around device use
- 3 golden rules The 3 golden rules that will keep your kids safe
- Talking to your kids How to have difficult conversations with your kids
- Challenging our own phone and device usage Reconnecting as a family.

We believe this is so important, we ask that at least one member from every Riwaka School family attends one of the three sessions on offer.

Included in your ticket is a one-year complimentary subscription to "Parenting in an Online World 101" from Rob and team at Our Kids Online. This is a cybersafety parenting course, designed specifically for NZ families. It usually costs \$99 per family. So show up and get it for free!



## **PREVIEW HERE**



# Register Here

BIG SHOUT OUT
to Remy and Charlie
who competed at the
National Cross Country
event in Wellington!
Charlie placed 10th and
Remy 32nd in their
respective age group

#### OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS FOR 2025

The Riwaka School Board of Trustees invites applications from parents who live outside the school's enrolment zone and who wish to enrol their children at Riwaka School for 2025.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available on our website <a href="https://riwaka.school.nz/">https://riwaka.school.nz/</a>
Families who wish to apply should do so in writing or via email

(office@riwaka.school.nz) addressed to the principal, stating the child's full name, date of birth, current address and 2024 Year level.

The deadline for receipt of applications for out of zone places is 12 noon on 18 October 2024.

Parents of students who live within the home zone should also contact us by this date to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year, if they haven't already done so.

The Board has determined that 15 places across the school are likely to be available for out of zone students for next year. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the zone.

If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot.

If a ballot is required it will be held on 21 October.

Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three school days of the ballot being held.







Mon, 14 Oct	8:50am 10:10am	Term 4 starts Mihi Whakatau to welcome new students and whānau -
Thu, 17 Oct	7 - 9pm	Our Kids Online presentation in the PAC
Fri, 18 Oct	9:10am	School Assembly
Mon, 21 Oct	All week	Scholastic Book Fair
Tue, 22 Oct	9 - 11am 7 - 9pm	Our Kids Online presentation in the PAC Our Kids Online presentation in the PAC
Fri, 25 Oct	8:45am 9:10am All Day	Coffee & Kōrero School Assembly Book Character Dress-up Day
Mon, 28 Oct	All Day	School Closed for Labour Day
Tue, 29 Oct	2024 - 2025	Swimming starts for the 2024 / 2025 season
Fri, 08 Nov	All Day	School Athletics Day
Mon, 11 Nov	All Day	Teacher Only Day - school closed

### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**





# Motueka Cricket Club Motueka Cricket Club 2024/2025 Season Junior Grades cricket



Rita Paczian Tennis





30th of September -11th of October 2024

8.30am – 3.30pm (aftercare may be available to 4:30pm de

LOWER MOUTERE SCHOOL HALL

\$40 per day
WINZ OSCAR Subsidies available to eligible famili To get an enrolment form for your children contact Leah Bailey-Young (027) 512 0687 Kidzklubafter3@gmail.com



#### **MOTUEKA TENNIS CLUB** JUNIOR COACHING

Juniors (6-10 years)

3.30 - 4.30pm Wednesdays, 23 October to 18 December There will be EIGHT sessions in total Term fee: \$100

Advanced Juniors & Teenagers

3.30 — 5pm Fridays, 25 October to 20 December There will be SIX coaching sessions (25 Oct; 1 & 15 Nov; 6, 13 & 20 Dec)

and MATCH PLAY on 8, 22 & 29 November

Term fee: \$120

Please enrol with Kath:

motuekatennisclubinc@gmail.com

Ph 027 5800 108

MOI holiday programme at Nelson Intermediate, 7-10 October from 9-3 based on ANIMATRONICS! Programme designed for ages 9+.

Participants will learn basic electronic circuitry, introduction to programming, and will build a animatronic fish of their own design! They will be using servo motors, LEDS, distance sensor Arduinos, and block based programming. No prior experience needed-just a sense of fun and

Sign up here: https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/holiday-programmes-animatronics-tickets-

ALL students must bring morning tea, lunch, and a water bottle. Students must wear closed shoes and have long hair tied back. Please have your child wear clothes that are not precious



