



# RiwakaNews

#5 - 28 March 2024



Kia ora e te whānau o te kura o Riwaka

Hello to all of our Riwaka School families and friends

What a wonderful start to the year we have had! I cannot believe I am writing the last newsletter for Term One already. Our children have embraced the AWHI learner attributes which has set the tone for a settled and learning focused term. It was great to see such a huge turnout to our Goal Setting Conferences with over 80% of our whānau coming along and sharing in their child's learning journey. We truly value this partnership with you.

The Board has approved our 2024 Annual Implementation plan as part of the 2024-2025 Strategic Plan which was created and adopted at the end of 2023. The Strategic Plan and Annual Plan can be viewed on our school website. These two documents form the basis of my work and the work of the school board. The goals are measurable and achievable and we are excited to work together to achieve the aims and objectives within these documents.

I am excited for the last few weeks of Term One – we have some amazing opportunities for our students to explore Our Place, with camps for our 'middles & bigs' designed to foster resilience in a safe space, underpinned by Science and Social Science; and the 'littles' visiting the Riwaka Resurgence. The teaching and learning flows within and throughout these experiences and we will continue to build on them throughout Term Two and the remainder of the year. Thank you to all of the parents who have offered help with the various activities we have already attended, and the upcoming ones – we couldn't do it without your support!

Our next school newsletter will come out right at the start of Term Two.

Wishing you a wonderful Easter break with your whānau.

Mauri ora – Be well

Adele

*Riwaka te puna wai, whakatipu nga tamariki  
The flowing waters nurture our future generations*

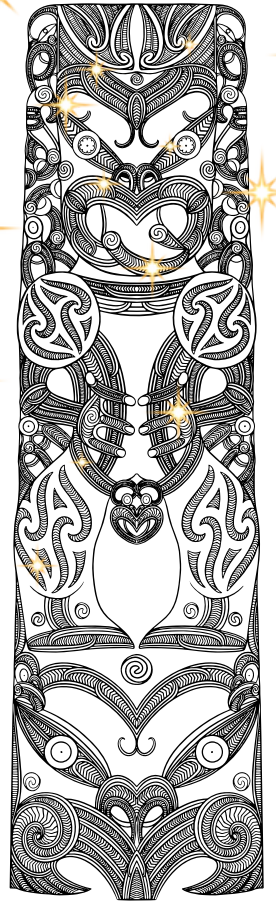


# Waka Festival @ Kaitereterere

This year between the 6th and 15th April the **National Te Hau Kōmaru Waka Hourua** festival is being held at Kaitereterere. There will be 5 waka hourua anchored at Kaitereterere throughout this time, with Aotearoa's master navigators as crew. This is the first time the National Waka Hourua festival has come to Te Waipounamu and Te Tai o Awhatea are tino harikoa to be coordinating the event.

During the week, mana whenua, tangata whenua and tamariki involved in kaupapa Māori are invited to weekday workshops. Due to limited spacing, workshops are offered to students in Year 7 and above; unfortunately, these dates coincide with our Year 7 and 8 camp. However, there are two public days planned on Sunday 7th and Saturday 13th April for whānau to come to. These days will have a toi Māori market as well as lightbox displays on the moana showing local pūrakau developed by our local Māori theatre company. We encourage our school community to support this amazing event by attending one or both of the public days.

More information available here <https://tehaukomaru.org/> and here <https://experiencekaiteriteri.co.nz/te-hau-komaru-national-waka-hourua-festival>



**We will have 12 students supporting the haka pōwhiri @ 8am, Saturday 6 April at Kaitereterere beach for Te Hau Kōmaru. All welcome!**

## IMPORTANT

### NOTICE OF NZEI PAID UNION MEETING

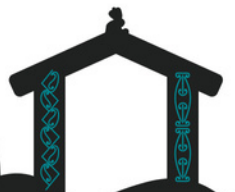
On **Thursday, 4th April from 12.30pm**, teachers from Riwaka School will be attending paid union meetings to discuss and consider important issues, including how they might collectively:

- Ensure the historic Mana Taurite | pay equity process properly values the skills, and intellectual and emotional effort of work as teachers
- Shape union priorities for 2024

Riwaka School will be able to provide supervision for those students (who are not on camp) and whānau who need it, but otherwise ***we ask that whānau collect their children from school at 12.30pm on Thursday 4th April. The Kaitereterere/Marahau bus will run early at 12.30pm.*** If your child **does** require supervision and will not be on the bus or picked up at 12.30pm, please get in contact with the school office or your child's classroom teacher. A reminder notice will come out on Wednesday.

# EASTER

**School is closed for Easter**  
Good Friday 29 March  
Easter Monday 1 April &  
Tuesday 2 April



# TERM ONE CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

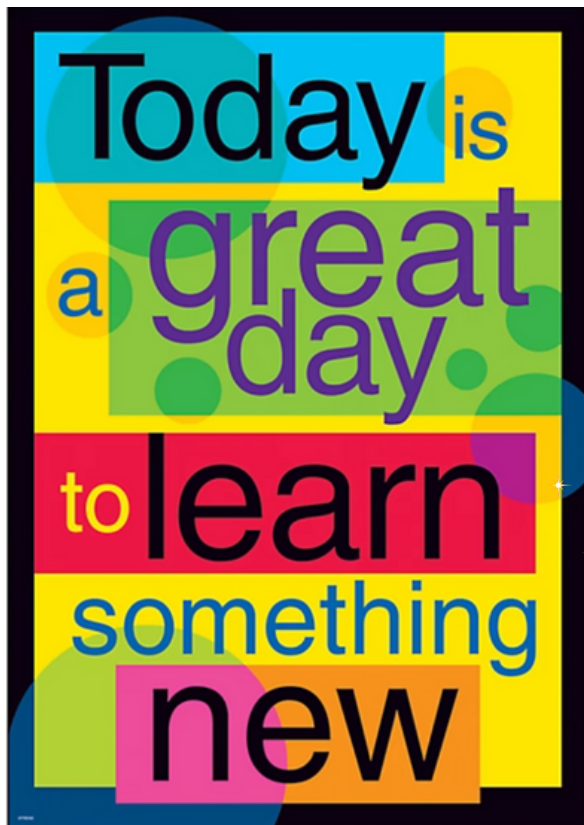


OUR TERM ONE **LEARNING CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY** WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY 12 APRIL AT 9:10AM IN OUR PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE.

OUR END OF TERM ASSEMBLY FORMAT WILL INCLUDE A PRESENTATION OF EACH OF THE FOUR LEARNER ATTRIBUTE CERTIFICATES - AKO, WHANAUNGATANGA, HAUORA, INTEGRITY - FOR EACH YEAR GROUP. WHĀNAU OF STUDENTS WHO ARE RECEIVING THESE AWARDS WILL RECEIVE AMPLE NOTICE SO THEY CAN ATTEND IF POSSIBLE, AND WILL BE INVITED TO STAY AND HAVE MORNING TEA AFTERWARDS WITH THEIR CHILD, WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED.

THE ASSEMBLY WILL ALSO INCLUDE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TERMS EVENTS. WE INVITE ALL WHĀNAU AND FRIENDS TO JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THIS TERM OF LEARNING.

WE KNOW OUR YEAR 7 AND YEAR 8 STUDENTS WILL BE ABSENT THIS TERM, AND THEIR AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED ON THE FIRST DAY BACK IN TERM TWO, MONDAY 29 APRIL, AT OUR MIHI WHAKATAU AT 10:00AM.



## Thank you

TO EVERYONE WHO BOUGHT AND SOLD HOT CROSS BUNS! WE MADE AN AWESOME **\$625 PROFIT** FOR OUR SCHOOL. THIS WILL BE PUT TOWARDS OUTDOOR PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR OUR JUNIOR AREA.

## Congratulations!

to Amelia Fry, Ashlyn King, Charli Douglas and Laura Beintmann who were selected for the 'Mot Buckettes' Basketball Team



# Riwaka 'Rockstar' Learners

Week 6



Week 7



Week 8





## UPCOMING DATES IN TERM TWO

- 29/04 - Term Two commences - Mihi Whakatau and Year 7 & 8 AWHI Awards @ 10:00am followed by morning tea for new families and certificate recipients & their whānau
- 14/05 - Whānau Hui @ school 3pm - 'Getting to know us... getting to know you' - Kai provided - children welcome ( we will have some activities set up for little people)
- 16/05 - Riwaka School Cross Country
- 03/06 - King's Birthday - School Closed
- 04/06 - Teacher Only Day - School Closed for Ministry of Education Professional Learning
- 27/06 - Riwaka School Matariki Celebration - Lantern walk & mural unveiling
- 28/06 - Matariki public holiday - School closed
- 05/07 - Learning Celebration, Reports Home today, Term Two ends today

More dates and information will come out in a one page calendar at the start of Term Two



Our school was well represented at the recent interschool swimming sport event at Motueka High School which is testament to our daily swimming in our school pool. It definitely makes a difference getting in those daily lessons with our teachers, building confidence in the water and practicing stroke and breathing techniques. Of course, we are not 'experts' and many of our tamariki head along to Motueka Swim Club where they gain expert tuition with swim coaches. We are super proud of ALL of the team who represented us so well on the day and these swimmers who took away these great results!



*Believe you can and you're half way there!*

- Open Medley Boys  
**1st Milan Kroupa**
- 11 yo Boys 1 length freestyle  
**1st Milan Kroupa**
- 9 yo Boys 1 length backstroke  
**2nd Charlie Kerry**
- 11yo Boys 1 length backstroke  
**1st Milan Kroupa**
- 11 yo Girls 1 length backstroke  
**2nd Thea Arcus**
- 9 yo Girls 1 length butterfly  
**2nd Ashley Robertson**  
**3rd Heilala Potesio**
- 11 yo Boys 1 length butterfly  
**1st Milan Kroupa**
- 11 yo Boys 1 length breaststroke  
**1st Milan Kroupa**  
**3rd Remy Hawkridge**



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

MOTUEKA RECREATION CENTRE

## 2024

### APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

<b>15 APR</b>	Badminton - 10-12 - \$5 Pickleball - 10-12 - \$5 Public Skating - 1-3 \$5 Entry \$8 Hire Basketball - 6-8 - \$4	<b>22 APR</b>	Badminton - 10-12 - \$5 Pickleball - 10-12 - \$5 Public Skating - 1-3 \$5 Entry \$8 Hire Basketball - 6-8 - \$4
<b>16 APR</b>	Public Skating - 1-3 \$5 Entry \$8 Hire Basketball - 1-3 - \$4	<b>23 APR</b>	Rock Climbing - 10-11 & 1- (Booking Required) - \$8 Public Skating - 1-3 \$5 Entry \$8 Hire Basketball - 1-3 - \$4
<b>17 APR</b>	Badminton - 10-12 - \$5 Basketball - 1-2 - \$4 Pickleball - 6-8 - \$5	<b>24 APR</b>	Badminton - 10-12 - \$5 Basketball - 1-2 - \$4 Rock Climbing - 1-2 & 2-3 (Booking Required) - \$8 Pickleball - 6-8 - \$5 \$5
<b>18 APR</b>	Public Skating - 10-12 \$5 Entry \$8 Hire Basketball - 10-12 - \$4	<b>25 APR</b>	ANZAC DAY CLOSED
<b>19 APR</b>	Pickleball - 10-12 - \$5 Public Skating - 6-8 \$5 Entry \$8 Hire Basketball - 6-8 - \$4	<b>26 APR</b>	Pickleball - 10-12 - \$5 Public Skating - 6-8 \$5 Entry \$8 Hire Basketball - 6-8 - \$4
<b>20 APR</b>	Badminton - 10-12 - \$5 Basketball - 9-4 - \$4 Rock Climbing - 1-2 (Booking Required) - \$8	<b>27 APR</b>	Badminton - 10-12 - \$5 Basketball - 9-4 - \$4 Rock Climbing - 1-2 (Booking Required) - \$8
<b>21 APR</b>	Pickleball - 10-12 - \$5 Public Skating - 2-4 \$5 Entry \$8 Hire Basketball - 12-4 - \$4	<b>28 APR</b>	Pickleball - 10-12 - \$5 Public Skating - 2-4 \$5 Entry \$8 Hire Basketball - 12-4 - \$4

**SPORT TASMAN** FOR MORE INFO VISIT US OUR FACEBOOK PAGE OR PH (03) 528 8228

## OPEN DAY

APRIL 7

# WILLOW BANK

HERITAGE VILLAGE

WAKEFIELD N.Z.

Apple Harvest

WILLOW BANK HERITAGE VILLAGE

APPLE + PEAR HARVEST  
BRING YOUR OWN FRUIT TO PRESS

ENTRY FEE:  
\$7 PER ADULT (AGES 18+)  
\$3 PER CHILD

WILLOW BANK HERITAGE VILLAGE IS A FUN AND INTERACTIVE LIVING MUSEUM IKM SOUTH OF WAKEFIELD, NELSON. WE HAVE 20+ SHOP DISPLAYS FOR YOU TO EXPLORE, FOOD AND DRINK AND LOTS MORE.

### SUNDAY 10AM - 3PM

## APRIL 7

1970'S MILK BAR / VICTORIAN STYLE CAFE / SECRET GARDEN  
1950S BURGER BAR / LAUNDRY / DRESS SHOP / PUPPET THEATRE  
CHILDREN'S SUITCASE MARKET / WORKING BAKELITE PHONES  
PLAYHOUSE / LIBRARY / DOLL MUSEUM / SCHOOL HOUSE  
GROCERY STORE / CINEMA / BARTER + SELL MARKET + MORE

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AVAILABLE FOR GROUP BOOKINGS  
[WWW.WILLOWBANKWAKEFIELD.CO.NZ](http://WWW.WILLOWBANKWAKEFIELD.CO.NZ)

**Blast Bouncy Castles & Event Hire**

# BLAST BOUNCY TOWN

BOUNCY CASTLE FUN FOR 12 YEARS & UNDER

**\$10 ALL DAY PASS**

LOADS OF INFLATABLE FUN  
MEGA OBSTACLES, GIANT SLIDES, BOUNCY CASTLES & MORE!

GRAB A PASS & COME AND GO ALL DAY!

**TUE 16TH - THUR 18TH APRIL**  
**10AM - 4PM**

**RICHMOND SHOWGROUNDS**

CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK FOR MORE INFO

# MOTUEKA GYMNASTICS CLUB

## TERM 2 TIMETABLE

EVERY THURSDAY

PRE SCHOOL: 10:00 am - 10:45 am  
YEAR 1 & 2 : 3:15 pm - 4:00 pm  
YEAR 3 & 4 : 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm

TERM CONDITIONS  
Cut off for any new or returning enrolments for the term is the second session of the term. \$150 per child/per term. Fees payable at reception or internet banking.

WHAT TO WEAR & WHAT TO BRING  
Tight yet comfortable shorts/leggings/t-shirt/leotard (if you have). Warm layers in the winter months. NO buckles, zippers, buttons.  
If your child has long hair, please ensure it is tied into a bun or ponytail. All caregivers/other children to be seated during session for safety.

**SPORT TASMAN**

For more info call: 03 - 528 8228 or send e-mail to [shia.b@sporttasman.org.nz](mailto:shia.b@sporttasman.org.nz)

Jack's dog walking 10\$ per walk

Call 0274518969 if you need a dogwalker  
Available to work after school and the weekend  
I'll walk your dog around your neighbourhood.

If you have something you want us to share with our school community please get in touch [office@riwaka.school.nz](mailto:office@riwaka.school.nz)

