

Tena koutou katoa,

Welcome back everyone for Term 4 of 2019. Also, I would like to warmly welcome Maizie P. (R2) and Lilliana B. (R9) to Riwaka School. It is great to have you here with us.

Term Dates

This term looks to be a busy and exciting term with many events scheduled for all. Please refer to term dates via the calendar on the school website, via the Skoolloop app or the upcoming dates section of the newsletter. Failing that, give us a call or an email. We have endeavoured to include all the known dates at this stage.

Teacher Only Days

In looking at upcoming dates, of particular note are the scheduled **Teacher Only Days** on **Monday 4th November** and **Monday 11th November**. These are in accord with the allocation of eight additional teacher only days which can be used by NZ schools up until the middle of 2022. Please lock these in to your diaries. These days mean that staff will be engaged in professional learning and the school will be closed for instruction.

Masked Parade

This Friday, students from rooms 3, 4, 5, 6 and 10 will take part in the **Nelson Masked Parade**. The students have been working hard with their teachers on creating their bird masks which highlight the diversity of our ecosystem. I look forward to joining with students on Friday night for the big event.

PB4L

As part of **PB4L**, we have three levels of reward. At the class level, each week two students who score the highest number of **WAKA points** in each class, earn some reward time to be redeemed. They also get to

choose a friend to join them in this. These students as well as a teacher nominated 'wildcard' go into the **WAKA Wheel** for the week where there is a chance to earn a reward which they choose from the office on a Friday. At the end of the term, all students get to take part in a choice of activity for points earned for their class. We did this at the end of last term with choices being things like, mountain biking, disco, Teddy Bears' Picnic and Rugby Skills. A big thank you to parents who helped support this.

Classes for 2020

We have reached the time of year where we are able to confirm the structure of the school for 2020. With different sized intakes of students each year at each level, how a school is structured from year to year is of course a bit of a numbers game. For 2020, the structure of the school will be as follows:

R9	Year 0-1	Lucy Anderson
R1	Year 1-2	Luke Hansen
R3	Year 2-3	Glenda Bolton
R4	Year 2-3	TBC
R10	Year 4	Struan McKenzie
R5	Year 5-6	Lucy Ryder
R6	Year 4-5	TBC
R7	Year 7-8	Jess Anderson
R8	Year 7-8	Craig Barrow

For rooms where TBC is noted, the BOT are yet to make a decision on these appointments or staffing requests.

This means that the roll is closed for out-of-zone enrolments for 2020 given that we need to allow for potential unforeseen in-zone enrolments.

2019 Term 4

**Mon 14 October – Thurs
19 Dec 12 noon**

Friday Assemblies 9:00am

Friday 18 October

Mask Parade

Monday 28 October

Labour Day Holiday

Tuesday 19 November

8-10 Yrs Athletics

Wednesday 20 November

Yr 11-13 Yrs Athletics

Thursday 28 November

All library books due back

2 – 6 December

Yr 7 & 8 Camp

Tuesday 10 December

Top Team

11 – 13 December

Yr 5 & 6 Bridge Valley
Camp

Tuesday 17 December

Yr 8 Farewell

Thursday 19 December

11am

Final assembly



Disco

School Council canvassed students to find out what WAKA rewards they wanted for their class Dojo points accumulated. All classes achieved the goal they set and enjoyed reward activities at the end of last term. Photographs are showing some of the requested reward activities set up by the staff.



Hot wheels

I have had several enquiries around student placements for 2020. Final placements will be confirmed by the last week of term. If you have any specific requests for 2020, please express these in writing to fcampbell@riwaka.school.nz by **Monday 28th October**. I also request that any specific requests are made this way rather than by approaching a particular classroom teacher. Creating classroom compositions is a process which takes a great deal of time. We aim to create balanced classes which take into account student friendships and group dynamics, academic abilities and needs, student behaviour, gender, attitude and work habits and also attributes of

staff. We understand that as a parent, you may have a preference for a certain teacher. This is not always achievable. We will do our best to accommodate reasonable requests.

I look forward to the term.

Ngā mihi nui

Fraser Campbell
Principal





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Motueka Family Service Centre Tools For Parents

Tools for Parents course run by Phillipa Adams & Miranda Sikking.

The course will be run Wednesday mornings 9:30am - 12pm

Wednesday evenings 6:45pm - 9:00pm

Starting 30th Oct - 4th Dec 2019.

Please contact Phillipa - phillipamfsc@xtra.co.nz

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528 0234, 021 0297 1506, 0800 211 211 or

Miranda - hippmfsc@xtra.co.nz 03 528 0234,

021 038 1017, 0800 211 211 as soon as possible if you or

any of the people you come into contact with wish to attend.

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STEM Academy Workshops

Calling all budding architects, builders, engineers, designers and scientists. STEM Academy is launching this term in Nelson Library. This series of workshops integrate problem solving skills with **Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths** to explore the **World of Ancient Architects** in a hands on and interactive way.

These workshops are ideal for students who enjoy making models, solving problems and learning about technology in a highly creative environment. To book visit www.amyjohnsontutoring.com

Fridays from 8th of November

- 1:30-3pm STEM Academy Half Day (Age 6-12 yrs)
- 3:30-4.15pm- STEM Academy Juniors (Age 5-8 yrs)
- 4:30-5.30pm- STEM Academy Seniors (Age 9-12 yrs)



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