



# Richmond Road School

TE KURA O RITIMANA



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**Aim High – Whaia Te Iti Kahurangi – Tauivi Malosi – Visez Haut**

## Term 1: 6 April 2016

*“To develop tamariki who are culturally intelligent lifelong learners, who strive for excellence and contribute to their communities”*

Hello everyone, talofa lava, kia ora, malo e lelei, bonjour, kia orana, and greetings.

Welcome to school-wide newsletter number five for 2016. It's been another busy two weeks and having a five day Easter break was great. We have a week and a half of term one to go and this is our final school-wide newsletter for the term.

Next week we see your Term One Parent / Teacher Conferences on Tuesday 12th April and Wednesday 13th April. On both days school finishes at 1pm. We really appreciate your support with collecting your child/ren so that we can concentrate on informing you about your child's progress. **Bookings are still open at <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/> and please use the code 4g4zb to make your booking/s.** Bookings will close online on Monday and any further changes need to be made through the office.

Student goal sheets come home on Friday and we would appreciate if you bring it with you to the interview that you attend. This will be the document that we speak to.

### **Staffing news:**

Seba from the Hub has been off work all this term after her major accident and at this stage the earliest she will return to school will be week three of Term 2. We will update you as we know more.

Jade our new teacher for L'Archipel is nearly through all the immigration hurdles and we hope to be able to update you very soon. We will definitely send out an update before term end.

Salu will be away for the first five weeks of term 2 and Vivienne will be the relief teacher while she is away. Vivienne will be meeting with Salu and the Village teachers so that she is well prepared to start the term.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Parent Conferences:** Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> April. School closes at 1pm.

**Board Meeting:** Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm

**L'Archipel 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration:** Assembly, Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm (school hall)

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## Board Elections:

Are coming up this year and you will find the important dates for this process later within the newsletter. The Board would like to invite you to an information evening run at school on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm if you are interested in becoming a Trustee for the next three years. The meeting will be facilitated by Chris France from NZSTA and he will give you some in depth insight into what it means to be a Trustee. Please rsvp to [office@richmondroad.school.nz](mailto:office@richmondroad.school.nz) if you would like to come (for number purposes only and so we can decide which venue we will use).

## ERO Review 2016

### *“Curriculum:*

*How effectively does this school’s curriculum promote and support student learning?*

*The school has a unique and broad curriculum. Language learning is a particular strength. All students benefit from a planned school-wide te reo and tikanga Māori programme that is integrated into unit studies. The opportunity for students to learn Mandarin as part of the curriculum is a recently introduced initiative.*

*Each language-based learning unit is highly valued by its parent community. Students appreciate the diversity of learning contexts. The curriculum includes an appropriate emphasis on literacy and mathematics. It also engages students in learning opportunities outside the classroom and the visual and performing arts.”*

Our next assembly for the year is on Friday at 9.15am, hosted by Ruma 18 in the hall. You are all welcome.

Ka kite anō, au revoir, tofa soifua, until next time.

Jonathan

## BOARD ELECTION DATES

Select Returning Officer by	Wednesday 27 April 2016
Close main roll at noon on	Wednesday 4 May 2016
Call for nominations by	Friday 6 May 2016
Close supplementary roll at noon on	Wednesday 18 May 2016
Nominations close at noon on	Friday 20 May 2016
Voting papers sent by	Wednesday 25 May 2016
Election day close poll at noon on	Friday 3 June 2016
Count votes on	Thursday 9 June 2016
Board takes office on	Friday 10 June 2016

## TERM DATES

Term 1: 2 February – 15 April

Term 2: 2 May – 8 July

Term 3: 25 July – 23 September

Term 4: 10 October – 14 December

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## LOST PROPERTY

We now have a storage cupboard for lost property which can be found at the end of the office / admin corridor next to the hub. If you want to look through the cupboard for any lost property items, we would appreciate that the cupboard be kept as neat and tidy as possible. Our lovely lost property monitors Emi and Theadora have done a great job at organising our cupboard for us.

## SCHOOL DISCO

Big thank you to all our disco helpers –

Andy, Ann-Marie, Bella, Carole, Celine, Charlotte, Cushla, Donna, Estelle, Fiona, Grace, Heidi, Julie, Kristiann, Lani, Leon, Lors, Lottie, Mae, Maguy, Michelle, Olly, Rachel, Rebecca, Robyn, Rosie, Rudy, Sally, Sandra, Sophie, Sibyl, Turama and finally everyone who pitched in to tidy up.

Everyone who sent some baking. Tu for his help on the BBQ with Olly and Rudy and for setting up and tidying up. All the teachers for their enthusiasm (especially Taua'i and her awesome dance moves).



**An extra big thanks to our awesome DJ Nickson, from the Mai FM Morning Crew, who got kids, teachers and parents on their feet dancing and to New World Victoria Park for the \$200 voucher.**

We have a collection of containers at the office from all the lovely food kindly donated. Please come by and check if your container is here. All containers need to be picked up by Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> April.

## PARENT HELPERS FOR ROAD PATROL

A huge thank you to those parents who offered to help out with road patrols this term. This is a such great help for our teachers and we really appreciate the parents who came on board and stood out on patrols every week. The safety of our children is paramount when crossing our busy surrounding roads and we wouldn't be able to do this without your help. If you're a parent who would like to help out next term or if you're a parent who helped out this term and would like to continue next term can you please email Athlene at [athlene@richmondroad.school.nz](mailto:athlene@richmondroad.school.nz)

## ANZAC DAY

Usual annual events for ANZAC Day will take place again this year on 25<sup>th</sup> April, which is during the school holidays. Last year we prepared a wreath to be placed at the foot of the flag pole at the RSC in Grey Lynn. We had a parent volunteer to do this with their child and this year we are looking or another volunteer to do the same. If you would like to attend the March on ANZAC Day in Grey Lynn and have your child place the wreath on behalf of the school, then please email Athlene at [athlene@richmondroad.school.nz](mailto:athlene@richmondroad.school.nz)

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## RECIPE BOOK \*\*\* \$10.00 \*\*\*

The Richmond Road School with Love cookbook for sale at a reduced price: \$10.00. Available at the office. This book is filled with a great range of mouth-watering treats from the RRS Community. Such treats include *Sweet Peppered Almonds, Kumara Date & Orange Salad, Pork fillet with Caramelised Onions, Express Bok Choy, Pear & Chocolate Pie...*

## SCHOOL HALL FOR HIRE

The Richmond Road School Hall is provided as a community facility, and is available for hire for community events and also by groups, classes, clubs and societies. The hall can accommodate up to 340 people and includes the use of a large kitchen. Contact Lisa at [lisa@richmondroad.school.nz](mailto:lisa@richmondroad.school.nz) for further information.



Dear Parents/Guardians

Richmond Road Ukulele Group

If your child would like to join the Richmond Road Ukulele Group, which will be preparing to take part in the 2015 NZ Ukulele Festival to be held at The Trusts Arena, Henderson on Saturday 3 December (rain date Sunday 4 December), please complete. Our children will have the opportunity to play alongside 2500+ others from all across Auckland in a wonderful celebration of music and community.

For full information about the festival, please visit the NZ Ukulele website - [nzukulelefestival.org.nz](http://nzukulelefestival.org.nz)  
Weekly practices will commence on **Monday 4 April and be held at school in Room 15 at 2.20pm every Monday.**

To take part in the group, your child must be in year 4, 5 or 6, will need to have their own ukulele and return the completed, signed permission slip (below). We do have some ukuleles here for the students to use during the lessons if they don't already have one.

Cost: **\$5 registration fee**

Please sign the consent form below and return to the school office by Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> April if you agree to your child taking part in this opportunity.

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Parent/Guardian of ..... Class.....

I give permission for my child to take part in the Richmond Road Ukulele Group in preparation for the NZ Ukulele Festival to be held in December 2016.

Signed..... (parent/guardian)      Date.....