



Te Kura O Ritimana

Richmond Road School

Growing Together As One

NEWSLETTER

Week 8 Term 2 | 20 June 2018

*Tena koutou e te whanau, he mihi nui kia koutou katoa
Kia ora, Talofa lava and Bonjour. Welcome to Week 8 of Term 2.*

As you know from reading the special BoT newsletter last week I will be leaving Richmond Road School [RRS] for a new challenge after having been here for four and half years. I am taking up another principal position and moving to Edendale School. My last day will be the end of this term.

I am leaving RRS at a high point with a dedicated staff in place, amazing new buildings [and an approved next stage], and an engaged school 'growing together as one'. I'd like to thank Agnes Loheni, Orchid Atimalala, Wendy Arona, Rachael Te Wano, Elizabeth Rabier, John Gorman, Novena Pio all extremely passionate trustees who I worked with for three plus years as Board members and who were instrumental in the development of the current vision and values, strategic goals, the rebuild and master plan [2014-2016].

The current board Chairs Heidi and Peter for their collaborative approach to governance and leadership/management. And the whole Board for their tireless efforts to make RRS a better place for all. Please support them as they have a huge task to find and employ a new Principal to lead this unique and challenging School.

Thank you to Athlene [a past Deputy Principal], David and Emma our current senior leaders, Audrey and Lisa who support me in the office administration of our School, to Tu who has been an amazing support, the teaching staff and to all our support staff who work often with our most challenging children. Thanks also to the Central Principal Cluster who have always been there when needed with their vast years of experience, my appraiser/s, Ministry Officials, and other outside stakeholders.

Thank you to those parents and whānau who have supported me in my role to develop culturally intelligent lifelong learners. Those who have helped with fundraising, paid the school donation and/or supported with time and other resources. Thanks to those who have either face to face, via email, letter or text sent messages of support in times of challenge and provided me with the drive to want better for our tamariki. I will miss this place and all that it means to be part of a diversely rich community.

Ngā mihi nui

Jonathan

SCHOOL POLICY REVIEW

This term's school policy review is: **Draft Transgender/Gender Diversity policy** – board members, staff, and parents

Please review the draft policy here: <https://goo.gl/wT1wnB>

Please send your feedback to rsbot@richmondroad.school.nz by the end of the term.

TERM DATES 2018

Term 2: Monday 30th of April to Friday 6th of July.

Public holiday: Queen's Birthday 4th of June

Term 3: Monday 23rd of July to Friday 28th of September.

Term 4: Monday 15th of October to Thursday 13th of December.

Public holiday: Labour Day 22nd of October

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 21st June: **Tiriti Waitangi Workshop part 2** [6.00 to 8.00pm] *

Saturday 23rd June: **Music competition**

Wednesday 27th June: **Pre-BoT hui**

Wednesday 4th July: **BoT hui**

Thursday 28th June: **Inner City Rugby League**

Tuesday 3rd July: **Whole school Matariki celebration** on bottom court [7.00am] *

Wednesday 4th July: **BoT meeting**

Friday 6th July: **Last day of T2**

- Holidays -

Monday 23rd July: **Start of Term 3**

Friday 3rd August: **School Disco** *

Thursday 9th August: **Inner City Rippa/Rugby**

Wednesday 22nd August: **BoT hui**

Monday 27th to Friday 31st August: **Art exhibition week**

Thursday 30th August: **Inner City Soccer**

Wednesday 31st October to Friday 2nd November: **Year 5 and 6 school-wide camp** [Carey Park Adventure Camp, 397 Henderson Valley Rd Waitakere]

* More details in the following pages



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WELCOME

We would like to welcome our new students and their families:

- Welcome Ena, Arlo, Toby and Oliver
- Talofa lava Leona

We look forward to being part of your growth and learning journey.



1. There is now a box of 18x long black tablecloths (to fit trestle tables) for the use of anyone organising a school event. Please enquire at the office. We just ask that if you're using them with food that you wash and fold them before returning - thanks.

2. The school disco is being organised for 3 August. We need volunteers to help out on the day with decorations (during school time) and baking cupcakes. If you can assist, please email Turama -tmeha@yahoo.com

CANS DONATIONS for the City Mission

This Term we are supporting the Auckland City Mission's drive for non-perishable food items (mostly canned goods) to help put food on the table for struggling families this winter. "One Can – Two Can" is a huge part of the Mission's Winter Appeal and we rely heavily on the donations we receive from schools like yours. Even a gold coin, or a single can, provides vital support and nutrition to a family in crisis.

Please support this community initiative by ensuring your child has a can of food, or funds to cover the cost of a can, to bring to school any day between Wednesday 20th June and Friday 29th June."

LUNCHES UPDATE – Pane and Vino

Please note that from next term Pane and Vino will be available only from **EZ lunch** platform, on our online shop Kindo. There will be no more orders for Pane and Vio through YQ.

You can still use YQ to order Subway.

Tiriti Workshop – part two

Thank you to those who attended the workshop part one. A part two workshop will run on Thursday 21st June from 6-8pm in Room 19 opposite the hall. This workshop will take you further into what the Treaty means and will build on the part one workshops from this year and last. There are still spaces available. Please RSVP to office@richmondroad.school.nz.

Ipad charger and cords

Do you have any spare Apple chargers or Ipad cords (old or new version) that you could donate to our school?

If so, please send them to the office or Emma.

Community Matariki Celebration Tuesday 3rd July 7:00am to 8:30am

On Tuesday July 3rd we will be hosting our annual community Matariki Celebration. This year we will be gathering on the bottom courts from 7:00am in time for sunrise at 7:30. We will start with a Karakia and waiata. We will then look for the Matariki star cluster. Kai will be shared in the hall from 7:45. This will be provided and you are also welcome to share.

As this is a community event all are welcome. Follow this link to learn more about Matariki. <https://nzhistory.govt.nz/classroom/matariki-maori-new-year>

The link below is an invitation to this event. Please indicate your intention to participate and numbers attending for catering purposes. Mai katoa.

<https://goo.gl/forms/kBf911EQZ8dnXa6d2>

Music competition

NZ Modern School of Music will run its annual music competitions on **Saturday 23 June 2018 from 8.30am** at Somervell Presbyterian Church, Remuera. A lot of our RRS students have been practicing as early as February for this competition.

Here are the names of the participating students:

From The Village:

1. Miri
2. Mila J
3. Miriama
4. Carlos
5. Tommy S

From The Hub:

6. Pablo
7. Gretel
8. Francesca
9. Theo S
10. Nina
11. Surina
12. Liam
13. Thea
14. Poppy

From L'Archipel:

15. Prosper
16. Mila PS
17. Zac
18. Alphonse
19. Arthur
20. Manon
21. Saoirse
22. Noe
23. Yann
24. Caitlin-Lily

We wish them all the best. They are going to make us all proud.



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REMINDERS

CONTACT DETAILS UPDATE

Please update your phone number, email address or home address as soon as it changes. It is most important that we have your latest contact details.

OFFICE HOURS AND CONTACT

The school office is open from Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 3.30pm during school time. The school office is closed on public holidays and school holidays.

You can contact Audrey for enrolment questions and general enquiries by phone at 09 376 1091 or by email at office@richmondroad.school.nz.

You can contact any teacher or Senior Leader by email using this format: firstname@richmondroad.school.nz

For the Board of Trustees, please use the following email address: rrsbot@richmondroad.school.nz

BELL TIMES

Children can arrive from 8.30am onwards and school is from 9.00am to 3.00pm. Please make sure you have arranged collection of your child by 3.00pm.

Breaks: Morning tea is at 11.00-11.30am and lunch time is at 1.00-1.50pm.

LATENESS, ABSENCE AND APPOINTMENTS

If your child happens to be **late**, please sign in (or remind him/her to sign in) at the office first and then your child will be given a late pass for the teacher's attention. Otherwise you will get an absence notification.

If you **take your children out** before the end of the day, please come to the office first where you can sign your child out and be given a sign out pass for the teacher's attention.

If your child is **absent**, please let the office know **with a valid justification** either by email at absences@richmondroad.school.nz, by phone or through the absence form on our website, even if you have told the teacher already. Otherwise you will get an absence notification.

For all absence without justification, we will send you an **absence notification** through text or email. Please make sure you provide us with your latest contact information and let us know if you have a preferred contact to use.

ACTIVITY FEE AND CONSENT FORM FOR TRIPS

We encourage you to pay the Activity Fee of \$80.00 (per child per year) to ensure your child can participate easily in all EOTC (Education Outside The Classroom) activities without having to pay separately for a trip (this covers 3 - 4 trips a year related to enhancing curriculum). This activity fee doesn't cover camp, or sports teams.

To make trip organisation easier for teachers, administration and parents, we ask for your generic consent for local trips. This consent for your child will remain in force as long as he/she is enrolled at this school. Please get in touch with the office to check if you are up to date with your forms.

Thank you for your cooperation.

STATIONERY

Your child's school stationery list requirements are uploaded online at myschool.co.nz/richmondroad. Simply select your child's Year Group lists and follow the instructions on the website. You can also pick up a paper copy of the stationery list from the office.

WATER ONLY SCHOOL

We are a **'water only'** school. School staff will be reminding children of this and will also remove drinks other than water from children. They will be asked to take it home and not to bring it back.

LUNCH ORDERS

You can order at the lunch table (by the main office) or through web/mobile. You can ask the office if you have any questions.

Subway Ponsonby: You can order **every day at school** by dropping your Subway envelope in the Order box **before 9am on the day**. Please just make sure that the envelope has: the child's name, the unit and teacher, the money (Subway gives back the change if need be) and the detail of the order.

You can also order Subway through **YQ**. This service is available **every day before 9.30am on the day**. You can access the website here www.yq.co.nz or download the mobile app.

Pane and Vino: Lunches (pizza/pasta) from Pane & Vino can be ordered everyday online with EZ lunch.

EZ lunch: Order Subway or Pane and Vino by text or online before 9.00 from the online shop <https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/>. See their website <http://www.ezlunch.co.nz> for more information.



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