



KIA ORA E TE WHĀNAU/GREETINGS FAMILIES

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

Nau mai, haere mai ki wiki ono. Welcome to week 6 of term 2.

We are now in the second half of the term. We were thrilled with the turnout at our whānau open day. We hope you all enjoyed learning alongside your children. It is now just under four weeks till our Celebrate Learning at Rutherford conferences. This is an opportunity for you to have individual conversations with teachers about your child's learning. Information about booking interviews will come out in a few weeks, but we are giving advance notice so you can save the date. Conferences are held Wednesday 26 and Thursday 27 June.

Thank you to everyone for your support of our staff only day on Friday. We were able to do some tremendous learning around our local area. We look forward to sharing this learning with our tamariki.

This week our Whakatauki o tēnei wiki/ whakatauki of this week is;

Toitū te marae a Tāne-Mahuta, toitū te marae a Tangaroa, toitū te tangata.

If the land is well and the sea is well, the people will thrive.

This Whakatauki speaks to the importance of caring for our environment. All tamariki at Rutherford engage in our kura taiao program (environmental learning) once a term in our outdoor classroom, the eco corner. We also have our eco warriors group.

Noho ora mai
Amanda Bennett
Tumuaki/Principal

WHAT'S COMING UP AT RUTHERFORD

I tēnei wiki - This Week

3 June Kings birthday holiday (School closed)

UPCOMING EVENTS - TERM 2

- 24-28 June** Scholastic Book Fair
- 25 June** Rippa Rugby interschool (Year 4-6)
- 25 June** Board of Trustees meeting
- 26 & 27 June** Celebrate learning at Rutherford whānau meetings
- 27 June** Combined schools Matariki event (Kapa Haka)
- 28 June** Matariki holiday (School closed)
- 5 July** End of Term 2
- 22 July** Start of Term 3

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

OVERALL TO DATE: 89% Of the 16% of children absent,
LAST WEEK: 84% 13% of those were absent due to illness.
LATE TO SCHOOL: 2.2%



Time to COLLECT Yummy stickers for our School's share of

\$200,000
SPORTS GEAR

Download extra sticker sheets at yummyfruit.co.nz

EAT YUMMY APPLES & BRING YOUR STICKERS TO SCHOOL!





WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT RUTHERFORD

I tēra wiki - Last week

Cluster Football

Shoutout to all the students who attended the Cluster Football day on Tuesday 28th May. You did your school and yourselves proud. The skill level on display, as well as the sportsmanship and encouragement for each other was exemplary!! Special thank you to Kevin Bruffy and Lottie Allpress who were our special parent helpers on the day, and also Rutherford College for the use of their vans.



Wheels Day for Owhanga Hub

Owhanga hub had a great time riding their wheels. Tamariki showed amazing manaakitanga by sharing their scooters, bikes and skateboards with their friends who didn't bring one. Ka pai!





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MATARIKI DISCO

THURSDAY 20th JUNE

MATARIKI THEME

JUNIOR DISCO years 1 - 3 at 5 - 6pm
SENIOR DISCO years 4 - 6 at 6 - 7pm

Bring some pocket money to purchase goodies on the night!
\$5.00 per family - \$2.00 per child.

Families that have children in both junior and senior can stay or choose which session they like.

We will be having a bake sale, so if you would like to donate baking please drop it to the staffroom on the day.

SAUSAGE
SIZZLE

AWESOME
DJ PAUL

DRINKS

BAKE
SALE

Note: Children will only be released to an adult at the end of the night, so please arrange to have someone meet them at the hall by 7pm.



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- Toys
- Clothes
- Sports
- Books
- Shoes

- Plants
- Brick-a-brac
- Pots/Pans
- Pictures
- Music



SUNDAY 23rd JUNE 9am - 12noon

In the Rutherford Primary School Kotuku Street Carpark

\$25.00 per carboot booking

Sell your 2nd hand goods or come along and grab a bargain.

Make your booking with the school office on 09 834-5467
Limited spaces available. Bookings close 10th June.

Fundraising for whānau in need

LIFEWALK

Lifewalk offers a Wellbeing Mentor/chaplain service free of charge at Rutherford Primary School.



This means that a Lifewalk Wellbeing Mentor/chaplain (Sandra Hickey) will be available to offer one-on-one support to students, once a week.

A Lifewalk Wellbeing Mentor is not a counsellor, but rather an adult who has been trained to be an effective listener and support for students in NZ schools.

Confidentiality is part of the school agreement except in situations of harm, where disclosure to RPS is required.

This is an opt-in service, please fill in the online form for your child if you would like them to use this service.

LIFEWALK REGISTRATION

This service will be available on (Tuesdays from 10.45am to 2.45pm) each week.

For more information, please go to www.lifewalk.org.nz

OUR BOOK FAIR OPENS ON

MONDAY 24 JUNE

Catch the reading bug!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Please contact Arlene by email arlenec@rutherfordprimary.school.nz

ATTENDANCE AT RUTHERFORD

Attending school every day unless sick makes a big difference to children's progress and social connection with their friends.

Our aim is to have all children at school at least 90% of the time. This means that children will have no more than 5 days off school each 10 week term. You will be contacted if attendance slips beyond 90%.

Please remember to contact us if your child is going to be absent. We need to code your child's roll according to the Ministry of Education's guidelines.

SCHOOL ABSENCES

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason please choose one of the following options:

- [Notify an absence through the Etap Parent Portal](#)
- [Phone 834 5467 and leave a message](#)
- [Or text the school cellphone 022 324 3942](#)

If the school is not informed of your child's absence/s they will be marked as truant.

HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

Please apply in writing to:

principal@rutherfordprimary.school.nz

Please also let your child's teacher know.

Include the dates you will be absent. We will pre-code your child's attendance for those days.

These will be coded as an explained but unjustified absence.



LATE TO SCHOOL

Students who arrive after **8.50am MUST report to the school office to sign in.**



Please make your child aware that if they arrive after the bell has gone, they must report to the office to sign in avoiding the need to get in touch with parents.

LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY

Children are not permitted to leave the school grounds unless accompanied by a parent/caregiver.

The teacher and office staff must be informed and the child signed out before leaving the school grounds.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR DETAILS

It's really important to get in touch with you in an emergency. Please let us know any changes to your address, phone number or caregivers so we can keep our records up to date.




GF & vegetarian options

ORDER school lunches ONLINE...

delivered to school

ezlunch.co.nz

Sushi Ami	Mondays and Thursdays
Subway	Wednesdays
Pita Pit	Tuesdays and Fridays

Menu items vary in price.
Orders made online only. No cash sales.
Orders close at 9am

IMPORTANT NOTICES



Helmets

Make sure your child wears a helmet when riding their bike or scooter to school. Bikes and scooters must be walked across pedestrian crossings and in the school grounds.

Road safety

We remind you not to stop on yellow lines or drop off in driveways as this becomes a safety hazard for our children.

Parking

Parents and caregivers are permitted to park at the church on Old Te Atatu Road and walk the short distance to school. Please arrange a meeting spot after school with your child/ren.

The school carpark is for staff, visitors and contractors only.

Late to pick up your child/ren

Please phone the school office if you are stuck in traffic or are going to be late. We can arrange for your child to come to the library to wait for you. Siblings of Rutherford College students get picked up from the library.

Dropping off lunches, hats, drink bottles

Drop belongings into the office for your child and we will call for them to collect at an appropriate time. Sometimes they may be in another class or in the swimming pool.