Riverton Primary School

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Our Vision - Through our core values & focused teaching & learning programmes, we are committed to be the best we can be in our learning, attitude & behaviour

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Greetings, Haere Mai, Talofa, Namaste, Ni hoa, Kamunsta

We would like to welcome the following children to Riverton Primary Quinn and River.

What an incredibly busy and productive week we have had at school! The energy across all year levels remains high, and our staff continues to work tirelessly as we head into the final stretch of the term. With only three weeks remaining in our academic year, it is hard to believe how quickly this has come around.

Celebrating Our Tamariki & Community

- **Year 4 Camp:** Camp was a huge success, with both our students and parent helpers thoroughly enjoying their time at Borland Lodge. A massive thank you to the parents who accompanied the class and helped make this experience possible.
- **Putangitangi Performance:** Thank you to our tamariki for a fabulous Putangitangi performance! All your hard work and practice truly paid off – you made us all so proud. A special thank you to Ashleigh, Katie and Iri for your time, guidance, and support in ensuring our children were so well prepared for the event.
- **Tough Kids Update:** Unfortunately, Tough Kids was cancelled this year due to the weather. However, our wonderful FOS team already has something special up their sleeve to replace this experience for the students – watch this space!

Key Updates and Announcements

- **End of Year Celebrations (Time Change):** Please note that our End of Year Celebrations will now take place on **Friday, 11 December at 1.00pm**. We have had to adjust the timing this year due to several logistical factors, so please clear your calendars to join us for an afternoon of celebration and fun.
- **Staffing News:** Next year, Mrs Fraser will be joining the team at Woodlands. We would like to sincerely thank her for stepping in as a release teacher, taking over from Mrs Mathieson at the end of term 2, and teaching our New Entrant class throughout term 4. Thank you, Mrs Fraser, for your incredible flexibility and dedication to our children.
- **Board Minute Taker required (2027):** Our School Board is currently seeking a Minute Taker for 2027. If you are interested in this role, please get in touch with Mr Page at the school office.

Principal comment continued

Reminders

- **House Colours Day (tomorrow):** Houses will be competing for the final medals of the year in a game of Quick Cricket! With the overall House points getting very close, every point counts – make sure students come dressed in their house colours.
- **Swimming Programme (Starts 30 November):** Swimming begins next Monday 30th November. Please remind your children to try on their togs over the weekend to ensure they still fit and bring their vest. We are running our sessions a little differently this year, with our own staff leading the coaching. Because of this, parental support poolside is essential, and we would greatly appreciate any help you can offer.
- **Aparima College New Entrant Day (2 December):** A reminder that all Year 6 students who have enrolled at Aparima College will attend their New Entrant Day on Wednesday, 2 December

Important Dates & Reminders

November 30 – Swimming Starts, **December** 2 – Aparima College New Entrant Day, 3 Dec – South Sea Spray Tour, FOS Meeting, 4 – Leadership Assembly, 9 Dec – Year 6 Leavers Dinner, 11 Dec – EOY Celebrations @ 1pm, 14 Dec – Final Day of Swimming, Squirt Mania, Optional Parent Interviews, 15 Dec – End of Year – 1pm.

Haere rā

Tim Page

Principal

END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS

Friday 11 Dec 1pm at Aparima College Hall

"Hope is like sun, which, as we journey toward it, casts the shadow of our burden behind us" - **Samuel Smiles**

ASSEMBLY TIMETABLE

Parents/Extended Families all welcome

Term 4 2026

Friday 4 Dec @ 2.00pm Leadership Assembly R9

What's Happening



November

- 30th Nov Whole School Swimming starts

December

- 1st Dec Whole School Swimming
- 2nd Dec Whole School Swimming, Aparima Orientation for Yr 6's
- 3rd Dec Whole School Swimming
- 4th Dec Whole School Swimming
- 7th Dec Whole School Swimming
- 8th Dec Whole School Swimming, Board Meeting
- 9th Dec Whole School Swimming, Year 6 Leavers Dinner
- 10th Dec Whole School Swimming
- 11th Dec EOY Celebrations @ Aparima College 1pm
- 14th Dec Whole School Swimming (last day), Squirt Mania, Optional 3 way conferences
- 15th Dec EOY School finishes @ 1pm students will need to be picked up then and buses will leave then No Kidspace

CARE

Certificate Recipients from the Week 6 Assembly

Room 7 - Quinn Subeza, River Dalley

Room 2 - Riely Te Maro, Lesley Thomas

Room 3 - Archer Brown, William Smith

Room 4 - Luna Anderson, Amara Black

Room 8 - William Thomas, Tegan Beale

Room 10 - Grace Brown, Joseph Jones

Room 9 - Austin Hooper, Zephyr Hollands

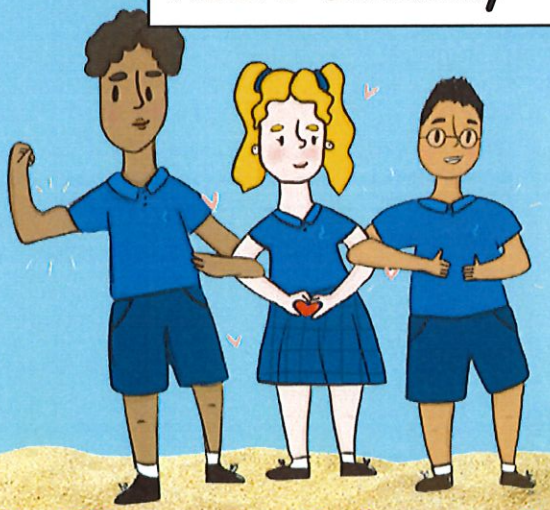


CARE



Here are our latest SILVER medal recipients who have completed 10 CARE Cards. Well Done to you all!

Hemi McKay	Kyra Thirkettle
Bridget Russell	Petra Farrell
Mason Maunsell	Jordan Young
Charlie Kennedy	Carter Sinclair
Joseph Jones	William Donaldson
Faye Brodie	Colton Mathieson
Nixon Hoban	Casyn Farrell
Kennedy Andrews	Harper Mathieson
Annika Bond	Jaxon Gough
Rosie Lindsay	



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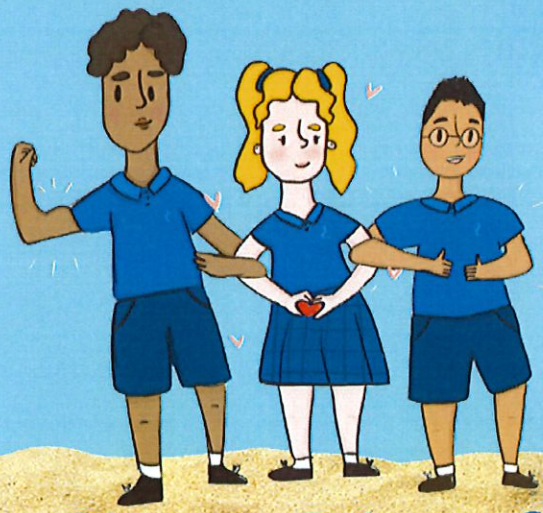
We CARE

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Here are our latest BRONZE medal recipients who have completed 5 CARE Cards. Well Done to you all!

Sophia Cleine
Taite Sheehan
Legacy Hollands
Jonah Johnston



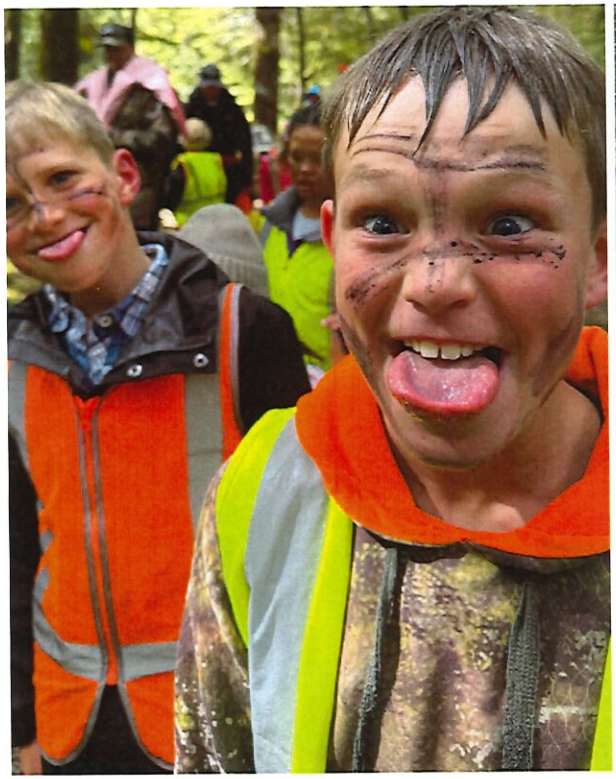
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BORLAND 2026











Listen out for the Fire Engine siren as a reminder that we are on our way.



Annual Food Drive
On behalf of
COMMUNITY HOUSE

DATE:
Wednesday 2nd December

TIME:
From 6pm to 7pm

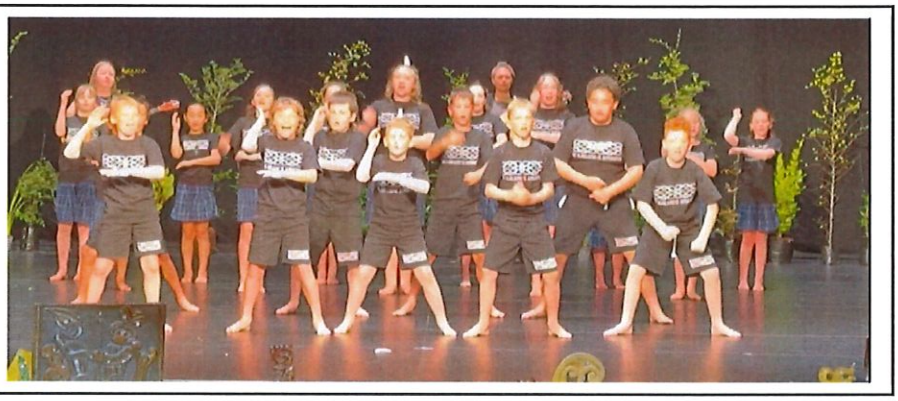
... Listen for us in your street ...

Leave your donation of non-perishable grocery items
BY YOUR MAIL BOX
or
GIVE TO THE COLLECTORS

... If we miss you, please deliver to ...
COMMUNITY HOUSE, NAPIER STREET, RIVERTON
or phone Lee Swan (03) 234 8206
Between the hours of 9am - 1pm Monday to Friday

Rotary
Club of Aparima Inc.
...Supporting our community...





PUTANGITANGI PERFORMANCE 2026

Travelling overseas in the school holidays?

You must do a New Zealand Traveller Declaration when you come back

TravellerDeclaration.govt.nz

Te Kāwanatanga o Aotearoa
New Zealand Government

New Zealand Traveller Declaration | Whakapuakanga Tangata Haere ki Aotearoa

2027 Southland Schools

Swimming Champs

Sunday 14th March 2027
Splash Palace, Invercargill (short course)
Racing Starts 10.30am

Swimming New Zealand
SOUTHLAND SCHOOLS
SWIMMING CHAMPS
SUNDAY 14TH MARCH 2027

Lions Club of Riverton

Do you want to be Involved?

The Annual Christmas Eve Parade is getting closer!

We need:

Children and Adults to dress up
(we supply the costumes)
and take part in the parade

It's all about the community coming together to celebrate the festive season



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