



Riverina School Monthly Panui October 2023



A message from the Senior Leadership Team

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to term 4 and the sunny spring weather we have been seeing! As a team we are excited to embark on a new and exciting chapter at our school. It is with great pleasure that I extend a warm welcome to all our students as they return to the school for Term 4, and to our dedicated parents who continue to play an integral role in our vibrant school community.

The start of Term 4 brings with it many exciting activities and events that promise to make this term a memorable one for our students and their families. As we embrace the warmer temperatures, we look forward to coming together to celebrate the diversity of languages and cultures within our school community during Language Week Assemblies. It is a time to foster understanding, appreciation, and respect for the languages that enrich our school community.

One of the highlights of this term will undoubtedly be our Hat Parade, where creativity knows no bounds! We encourage our students to showcase their imaginative hat designs and express their unique personalities. It's a fun and colorful tradition that brings our school community together.

We are also eagerly anticipating Grandparents Day, a wonderful opportunity for our students to connect with their grandparents and share their school experiences. It's a heartwarming occasion that strengthens the bonds between generations and creates cherished memories.

I am delighted to announce that our school pool is now ready for use, just in time for the warmer weather. Swimming is not only a valuable life skill but also a great way for our students to stay active and healthy. We encourage all students to take advantage of this fantastic resource.

It is essential that our young learners come to school each day with enthusiasm and readiness to engage in their education. Term 3 showcased the incredible dedication and hard work of our students, and I have no doubt that they will continue to build on their achievements in Term 4. Our dedicated teaching staff is here to support and inspire our students to reach their full potential.

I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all the parents and caregivers for their continued support in making our school a dynamic and nurturing place of learning. Your involvement in your child's education is invaluable, and together, we can provide them with the best opportunities for growth and success.

As we journey through Term 4, let us embrace the spirit of community, curiosity, and collaboration that defines our school. Together, we will make this term a period of growth, joy, and memorable experiences for our students.

Wishing you all a wonderful and fulfilling Term 4!

**Ka kite,
Bryce Mills, Principal & Arinam Goundar, Deputy Principal.**





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Updates from Riverina School

Hats in Term 4

To ensure our young people are kept safe from UV rays we require them to all wear hats to school in Term 4. Students who do not have hats will not be able to go outside and play and will have to stay under the shaded areas of the school. Should you wish to purchase a school hat they are \$23 from the school office.

Changes to how students leave school at 3pm in Term 4

We are changing the way our young people are collected from school in the afternoon. From Monday 9 October 2023, Room 12 and 2 students will remain in their classes and we ask parents to please collect them from the classroom door. Room 3 and 5 students will be dismissed by their teacher and will be able to meet you at the front of the school - they will be supervised by the duty teacher and Mr Mills.

New gates and fences at Riverina School

We are so excited about our fresh new gates and fences in the front carpark at school. The reason for these fences is to ensure students are dropped off at the correct place and walk behind fence and then into school. These fences ensure student safety while cars are moving in the mornings and afternoons. Mr Mills will be at the gate before and after school during the first week to show parents where to drop off and then collect their tamariki. Thank you for your support with this.

School Assembly - Fridays at 2.30pm in Term 4

We have moved our Monday morning assemblies to Fridays at 2.30pm. The reason for this change is to maximize key learning time on a Monday morning as well as make our assemblies at a time that is better suited to our parent community.

New teacher starting this term!

We are very excited to welcome Grace Loto-Aso to the Riverina teaching team! Grace is a Riverina School alumni and is excited about joining the team. She will begin as our Music specialist teacher and teach music to the whole school as well as offer additional release to our senior teachers. We are looking forward to working closely with Grace this term.

PB4L Update this Month

This fortnight our PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) focus is based on our C.C.K. value of:

Courtesy

We can demonstrate this value by;

- Looking for ways to care for and support those around us
- Looking after my classroom environment
- Showing respect to my parents and my teacher
- Showing respect to my fellow classmates



Highlights from Riverina's Got Talent



Important Dates

Event	Date
Day 1 of Term 4	9 October
Fijian Language Week Assembly @ 2.30pm	13 October
Mathex Competition @ Sunnyhills School	17 October
National 'Shake Out' - Earthquake Drill at 9.30am	19 October
Niue Language Week Assembly @ 2.30pm	20 October
Labour Day - School is closed	23 October
Hat Parade @ 9.30am	27 October
Board Meeting @ 6.30pm	30 October
Book Week	30 October
Grandparents Day Assembly @ 12pm	3 November
Whanau Engagement Day at School @ 2pm to 4pm	4 November
Powhiri to welcome to new students and staff @ 9am	6 November
Teacher Only Day - School is closed	13 November
Athletics Day	23 November
Board Meeting @ 6.30pm	27 November
Year 6 Marae overnight stay	30 November
School reports sent home	30 November
Year 6 Graduation Assembly @ 6.30pm	4 December
Whole School Celebration Assembly and family picnic	6 December
Last day of Term 4 - School finishes @ 1pm	15 December

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