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# RANGITOTO STAR



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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**Week 5 Term 4 2023**

**Kia ora Rangitoto School Families and Friends,**

It's incredible how quickly this term is flying by, with a mix of sunny days requiring hats and sunscreen, and sudden thunderstorms. Our students continue to enjoy their outdoor activities during break times, but we must also remain vigilant as the sickness bugs make their presence felt. As we approach the CHRISTMAS SEASON, it's essential to take care of yourselves and your loved ones.

Here's a summary of recent events and news at Rangitoto School:

### 1. Christmas Parade:

This year, the Waitomo Council is organising a Christmas parade scheduled for December 8th. We're delighted that several parents have already offered their help and have got plans in place. Let's work together to create a fantastic float! The theme is 'A Magical Christmas,' and the school will provide support for all necessary preparations. We hope to see the entire school community involved, and your participation is vital to make this parade a success.

### 2. Athletics:

Our annual athletics day took place on Wednesday, with our students showcasing their running, jumping, and throwing skills to the best of their abilities. It's evident that our athletics skills sessions have been helping our students progress and improve their athletic abilities. Congratulations to all the participants!



## Here are the overall athletics champions for 2023:

Boys:	Girls:
Yr 0/1: Mason Williams	Yr 0/1: Elise Duder
Yr 2: Max O'Hearn	
Yr 3: Dallas Williamson	Yr 3: Lucy Duder
	Yr 4: Peata Fagan
Yr 5: Fergus Duder	Yr 5: Lily Templeton
Yr 6: Sam Were	Yr 6: Molly Ferris
Yr 7: Evan Lynch	Yr 7: Isla Templeton
Yr 8: Jack Were	Yr 8: Ruby Walker

A team of Yr 3-8 students will represent Rangitoto School at the Inter-School Event next Friday. The team is chosen through the qualifying standards that are set by the inter-school event coordinator.

### 3. Maniapoto Mau Raakau Workshops:

On Monday, our students will have the fantastic opportunity to participate in the Maniapoto Mau Raakau workshops at Mangapeehi Marae, led by Tainui and Corey Stephens. Our transport arrangements for the day are complete, but if you're interested in attending, please let us know this weekend via email, and we'll include you in our cohort.

### 4. School Swimming:

Our caretaker, Simon Snape, has ensured that the school swimming pool is up, running, and ready for our students to use next week. The pool is equipped with a solar panel heater, and while we won't swim every day, please ensure your child has their swimwear and towel in their bag daily so we can make the most of teaching your children to swim.

### 5. Year 3 & 4 Camp:

Our Year 3 and 4 students will head off on a 2-night camp in Kawhia early next month. Mrs. Reynolds has planned an educational and exciting itinerary, and more details will be provided in the coming weeks. We extend our huge thanks to all the parents who wish to attend; your support is greatly appreciated.

### 6. Report Writing:

Over the next few weeks, our teachers will be conducting assessments using standardised tools to evaluate our students' achievement progress. They will consider these results along with their knowledge of each child as a learner and their coursework to form an Overall Teacher Judgment (OTJ). This OTJ involves applying gathered evidence up to a certain point in time to make a judgment about a student's progress and achievement. This information will be used to write student achievement reports, which will be sent home at the end of the term.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to reach out to us.

**Warm regards,**

**Pip Were**

# SCHOOL NOTICES....

## WELCOME

A big warm welcome to our new family.

Harleigh, Hunter, Aryelle and Pharrah Whitehead



# WELCOME

## BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday to Molly who celebrated her Birthday yesterday. We hope you had an amazing day Molly!!



## SWIMMING & POOL KEY HIRE

The pool will be up and running next week. If you would like to hire a pool key please let the office know. The keys are \$40.00 for the season.

## TEACHER ONLY DAY

On **Monday 20th Novemeber**, There will be a teacher only . Please make other arrangments for your child/ren as the school will be closed.

## THIS WEEKS CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to all our award recipients this week!

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

**Ruby Walker**

For showing determination and dedication to excel academically and during athletics.



### PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

**Marley Rawles**

For outstanding leadership at Rangitoto School



## Junior Room:

**Hunter Whitehead** What a fantastic start to school life Hunter. Well done!

**Harleigh Whitehead** Thank you for being such a confident and enthusiastic addition to the junior room.

**Aryelle Whitehead** Thank you for being such a thoughtful and caring addition to the junior room.

## Senior Room:

**Fergus Duder** For his positive attitude towards all he does

**Evan Lynch** For doing his best to understand new concepts in Maths



## CHRISTMAS PARADE

Thank you to those parents who have offered to help and organise the float.  
A very magical scene has been planned. If anyone would like to be involved or has any white woolen packaging/garden material can you please let Ranae Duder know 0278788641.

## PRIZEGIVING

Our school prizegiving will be held on **Thursday 14th December**.  
Can all trophies please be returned to the office ASAP.

## WORKING BEE

A notice went home earlier in the week with a list of jobs that we are hoping to complete at our working bee on **Tuesday 21st Novemebr**. If you are unable to come on the day please feel free to pop in and complete a job anytime.


## PRODUCTION USB

Thank you to those families that ordered a copy of our production.  
Orders are now closed. If you have ordered a copy please make the \$20 payment with production as the reference to:

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## UPCOMING EVENTS....

	NOVEMBER		DECEMBER
<b>13th</b>	Marae Day/ BOT meeting 6pm	<b>11-</b>	Junior Room Camp - Te Kauri Lodge
<b>17th</b>	Inter-School Athletics	<b>14th</b>	Prizegiving
<b>20th</b>	Teacher Only Day	<b>18th</b>	School Trip to Town pools
<b>21st</b>	Working Bee	<b>19th</b>	Kids Christmas Party
<b>24th</b>	Maniapoto Cultural Festival	<b>20th</b>	Last day of school



## SCHOOL TERM DATES 2024

### RANGITOTO SCHOOL TERM DATES 2024

#### TERM 1

Wednesday 7th February  
to  
Friday 12th April

#### TERM 2

Monday 29th April  
to  
Friday 5th July

#### TERM 3

Monday 22th July  
to  
Friday 27th September

#### TERM 4

Monday 14th October  
to  
Friday 20th December

## USEFUL LINKS AND INFO

**School Bank Account Details:** Rangitoto School Board of Trustees | 02-0448-0029581-000

**Rangitoto School Policies:** [www.schooldocs.co.nz](http://www.schooldocs.co.nz) | **Username:** rangi | **Password:** rural

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# RANGITOTO SCHOOL CADET SESSIONS

## SESSION DATES

TUESDAY 24 OCTOBER 9AM-11AM

WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 9AM-11AM

TUESDAY 19TH DECEMBER - WE INVITE YOU TO  
ATTEND OUR RANGITOTO SCHOOL CHRISTMAS  
PARTY.

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Join Mrs Reynolds and the rest of the Junior class for a morning  
session. During the visit, your child will engage in exciting activities  
that encourage hands-on learning and joyful exploration.

After the classroom session, your child is more than welcome to join  
our Junior class during morning tea break, making new friends and  
experiencing the friendly atmosphere that defines our school  
community. Meanwhile, parents and caregivers are invited to join us  
for a hot drink and a chat with our caring staff.

All 4+ year olds welcome, including those with a 2024 start date



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