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RANGITOTO STAR



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Empowering learners to be **CONFIDENT, CARING, CURIOUS & CREATIVE**

Week 4 Term 2 2023

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I would like to start this newsletter off with a huge THANK YOU to everyone that put in a massive effort to make the Inter-Schools Cross Country a massive success. A special thanks to:

- Mel O'Hearn who organised the event,
- Sabina de Rooy for your guidance and support,
- The Lynch and Hahn families for allowing us to run on your beautiful farms,
- The set up crew - Troy, Daniel & Sam,
- The cooks and food prep - Mel, Amy, Emma, Paige, Sabina, Diana, Hilary, Jamie,
- Our crew on the day - Troy, Daniel, Sam, Jake, Taylah, Jimmy, Ranae, Henry, Brendan, Diana, Rebecca, Craig, Rex, Sabina, Mel, Alison, Holly, Karen, Paige and Amy - what a TEAM!



We definitely turned on a stunning autumn day at Rangitoto for the 180 runners that fiercely competed for the top spots in each of the group categories. I was extremely proud of our students and how well they ran, for a small rural school we "punched above our weight". I would like to say a special mention to Jack Were who was the winner of the Senior Boys race - a very good effort.

Here are the impressive top 10 results:

Junior Girls:	
- Peata Fagan - 2nd overall	
Intermediate Girls:	Intermediate Boys:
- Molly Ferris - 10th overall	- Sam Were - 2nd overall
Senior Girls:	Senior Boys:
- Ruby Walker - 5th overall	- Jack Were - 1st overall

Finally, I think our teachers need a 'huge cheer' for teaching and applying the running programmes leading up to the cross country event that enabled our students to have success. We definitely have a hearty bunch of students at Rangitoto School!

As you are all very aware of the terrible event that unfolded on Tuesday as two armed bank robbers went inside ANZ bank, robbed it, fired a shot and got away on a motorbike. The robbers are still at large. Our staff followed our school procedures to keep our tamariki safe during this time by ushering our students inside, locking the doors and keeping calm. I spoke with other Principals in the area who were all doing exactly the same thing. After speaking with the Ministry of Education and The Police, the lockdown was lifted and we carried on the rest of the day. Please be assured that our staff were extremely professional and made sure your children were cared for and safe. Let's hope this doesn't happen again any time soon.

I also wanted to mention to everyone to remain vigilant of unknown vehicles driving around properties. This week, our family were victims to a burglary. One of our empty farm houses was stripped of the taps, water cylinder, water pump and other items. After speaking with the Police, they informed us that these types of farm burglaries have been happening on a daily basis.

On a better note our library is beginning to take shape which is very exciting news. On Wednesday, a bunch of us headed to the Waitomo District Council to look through some of their old shelving to see what we could salvage for our library. We found a number of gems. The BoT and staff are coming up with the next part of the plan to cover the walls to make the room more aesthetically inviting. Watch this space, exciting things are happening!

Next Friday will be Hazel and Olive de Rooy's last day at Rangitoto School. We are very sad to see them go. A big thank you to Rex and Sabina for all the time, effort and support they given to the Rangitoto School community. We wish them the most wonderful time on their next adventure overseas.

FUNDRAISING:

Last Friday our BBQ sales made approximately \$1200 but we have approximately 200 sausages, onions, bread and some BBQ meat left over. I wondered if any parents would like to lead a BBQ fundraiser using this food? We have a number of EOTC events coming up that need extra funds raised for which includes:

- Ski trip
- Matariki Whole school sleepover
- Yr 3 and 4 camp
- Yr 5-8 camp

We also need to purchase a number of Junior room reading books that are extremely costly. Please get in touch if you are interested in leading a BBQ fundraiser.

Today our students dressed up in pink to show their support to reduce bullying. It was so cool to see the students making an effort to make a stand against bullying. I think Rangitoto School is an extremely special school that does not tolerate bullying. Check out the Pink Day Photos!

On that note, have a wonderful weekend and enjoy your family.

Kind Regards
Pip Were

RANGITOTO SCHOOL TERM DATES 2023

TERM 1

Tuesday 7th February
to
Thursday 6th April

TERM 2

Wednesday 26th April
to
Friday 30th June

TERM 3

Monday 17th July
to
Friday 22nd September

TERM 4

Monday 9th October
to
Wednesday 20th December

SCHOOL NEWS....

LAST WEEKS CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to all our award recipients last week!

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

James Duder

For all round excellence in the classroom and playground.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Evan Lynch

For helping out the school by mowing the lawns after the mower broke.



Junior Room:

Emma For a fantastic start to school and trying hard at all tasks given to her.

James Duder For an awesome effort in Word Works and writing.

Ryder Wilson For terrific progress in reading.

Senior Room:

Liam Walker For showing our school values and looking out for juniors in the playground.

Sam Were For doing his best to understand new concepts in maths.

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Congratulations to all our award recipients this week!

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Ryan Baumgratz

For stepping up by taking on leadership responsibilities.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Dallas Williamson

For demonstrating the RANGITOTO SCHOOL values in all aspects of school.

Junior Room:

Olive de Rooy For amazing effort in writing and displaying all of the Rangitoto School

Jaxon Gannaway For working hard in writing, Great work writing a whole page.

Senior Room:

Hazel de Rooy For always giving everything a go with a smile on her face.

Fergus Duder For working hard to do his best in all learning areas.



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We would like to give a massive shout out to **New World Te Kuiti** for their generous food donation towards our inter schools cross country.

Also a huge thank you to **Hellers** for their amazing donation of sausages.



UPCOMING EVENTS....

MAY		JUNE	
19th	Pink Shirt Day	1st-2nd	Life Education
22nd	BoT Meeting 6pm	9th	Rangitoto School Orienteering
		16th	Aria Inter School's Orienteering
		26th	Parent Interviews
		28th	Aria Science Fair

COMMUNITY NOTICES

GYMNASTICS

Te Kuiti Gymnastics for kids has re-commenced for 2023. It will run on Tuesdays 4.30 –6pm in the new Gallagher Events Centre, entry at rear of the High School. A charge for hire will be required, anticipate about \$2 per child per session.

The **minimum age for gymnasts is 8 years** and there will be an initial limit of 20 participants.

Pre-enrolment with Mr. Plendy is essential.

Please phone 021 140 7169 Graeme Plenderleith

LOG SPLITTER FOR HIRE

Our school is lucky to have access to a log splitter which we can hire out to our community members for \$50 per day. This is a fundraiser for our school.

If you would like to enquire or hire, please contact the school office.

Thank you to Murray and Heather Templeton for the use of their log splitter!



SCHOOL PHOTOS....

RANGITOTO INTER SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY 2023



PINK SHIRT DAY 2023



PINK SHIRT DAY 23

Speak UP
**STAND TOGETHER
STOP BULLYING**

KÖRERO MAI, KÖRERO ATU, MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA

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