



# RUAHINE SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

Term 3 Week 7

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ♦ Wednesday 4 September PFK Meeting 7.00pm in the school staffroom
- ♦ Thursday 5 September Book/Movie Character/ Daffodil Day
- ♦ Monday 9 September Assembly 2.30pm
- ♦ Friday 13 September Kapa Haka Festival
- ♦ Wednesday 25 September Ruahine's Got Talent Grand Final 2.00pm
- ♦ Friday 27 September End of Term 3
- ♦ Monday 14 October Term 4 Begins
- ♦ Wednesday 30 September Ruahine School Lamb & Calf Day

Kia ora koutou,

Every week Ruahine School seems to be action packed these days! We have had a number of students involved in various activities and competitions within and outside of school. Dance, sport and other activities are keeping the children busy after school and at weekends. That means a busy time for parents as you fit so many events and activities into your days - in the middle of calving! Give yourselves a pat on the back for being so **RESILIENT**!

Our days at school, in between classroom learning programmes, have been full of practices for inter-school maths, mathex, speeches and kapa haka and aerobics. Students have been to the Seven Aside tournament, tramped to Sunrise Hut, visited Te Manawa and the Esplanade, and participated in our Noodle Tuesday fundraisers. And just for fun we have added our talent quest to the mix! All of these events are organised and run by our stunning staff whose commitment to our school and our students I value hugely. Our **COLLABORATIVE** staff spend their lunchtimes and evenings organising and preparing for our students. Ka pai team!

I have had the pleasure of helping Mrs Gibbs with the talent quest auditions this week, and I have been amazed by the talent and confidence of our students. It is such a joy! Each student who enters the competition is **ENTHUSIASTIC** and **OPEN TO LEARNING**, and the students waiting for their turn are **SELF-MANAGING, KIND** and **RESPECTFUL**.

Our school is full of wonderful **ROCKERS** and in such a busy term it is good sometimes to stop and reflect on how fortunate we all are to spend our days at Ruahine School.

Ngā mihi  
Sarah McCord

## Special Kapa Haka Performance.

**Thursday 12 September 2.30pm**

We have 90 amazing kids in our Kapa Haka Group who have been very busy practising for the Dannevirke Kapa Haka Festival. Next Thursday, as well as presenting our item, we will also hold a brief ceremony for the first official outing of our Korowai and the announcement of which of our students will be given the honour of wearing them at the festival. We would love for as many of our parents/caregivers/whānau to be there to enjoy this with us. 2.30pm start in the school hall. Look forward to seeing you there.



## FISH/NUGGETS 'N'CHIPS LUNCH

**WEDNESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER** CHILDREN WILL BE ABLE TO ORDER EITHER FISH 'N' CHIPS \$4 OR NUGGETS 'N' CHIPS \$4. THESE WILL BE DELIVERED PIPING HOT TO SCHOOL ON **THURSDAY 12 SEPTEMBER**.

OUR THANKS TO RACHEL BOWIE & LISA CHARMLEY FROM THE PFK FOR COMING INTO THE SCHOOL EARLY EACH WEDNESDAY TO TAKE LUNCH ORDERS. AND SPECIAL THANKS TO RACHEL BOWIE WHO DELIVERS THE LUNCHES OUT TO SCHOOL EACH WEEK.





# MOVIE/BOOK CHARACTER/DAFFODIL DAY

Thursday 5 September

This year we are merging our Literacy Week celebrations with our Daffodil Day fundraising.

Children have the option of dressing up as their favourite movie character, book character or in the yellow/orange theme. The day will begin at 9.05am with a whole school Jump Jam session in the hall led by our senior students. Gold coin donation will be collected for the Cancer Society.

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## Measles

- Measles is highly contagious—and easily preventable with immunisation
- It affects both children and adults
- Measles can be life threatening

The illness starts 7—18 days after exposure:

- A fever
- A cough
- A runny nose
- Sore and watery 'pink' eyes
- Sometimes small white spots on the back inner cheek of the mouth
- Day 3—7 a blotchy rash starting on the face then moving down the body
- About 1 in 10 people with measles will need hospital treatment

In some cases complications from measles can be severe:

- Ear infections and possible permanent hearing loss
- Diarrhoea
- Pneumonia
- Seizures
- In rare cases swelling of the brain

What to do if you think you or a family member has symptoms:

- Contact Tararua Health Group on 371 8497. Phone first so steps can be taken to prevent other patients from being exposed
- Contact Healthline on 0800 611 116 for advise
- Stay away from work, school or any other public places to help prevent putting other people at risk



Chairperson  
Lisa Charmley  
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# PFK NEWS

**LAMB & CALF DAY**  
**WEDNESDAY 30th OCTOBER**  
**Calves & Lambs must be born**  
**after 1st August 2019**



Deputy  
Chairperson  
Jo Passey  
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The Ruahine School Board of Trustees have decided to allow calves to take part in Lamb & Calf Day this year. In order to best protect all calves being entered we will be following some new guidelines to help reduce the possible risk of the transfer of M.Bovis.

- ALL calves MUST be NAIT registered. We will be checking tags are present on the day.
- NO VAT milk/colostrum is to be brought onto the school grounds.
- Halters & lead ropes must be on calves at all times.
- Calves from different farms will need to be kept separate (once finished in the ring calves must be returned to your trailer).
- Parents/Caregivers of children with calves will need to be on-hand at all times in order to help limit contact between calves.
- A disclaimer prepared by the Board of Trustees will be added to the entry form & must be signed by parents/caregivers.

As there will be more restrictions this year to keep calves safe, we will need lots of helpers! Please let one of the PFK team know if you are able to give us a hand on the day. If we pull together we can make it a fun day for all!

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