

Term 4 Week 6 Newsletter – Wednesday 22 November 2017 – Rāapa 22 Whiringa-ā-rangi 2017

TERM DATES 2017

Term 4: 16 October – 20 December

TERM 1 2018: WED 7 FEB – FRI 13 APRIL

Easter Holidays; Mon 2 & Tues 3 April

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Term 4: Dates for your diary...

- Wk 6:** 22 November Athletics day for 11-13 year olds
Swimming in Richmond for Rooms 1 & 3 all week
- Wk 7:** 30 November: Rooms 1 & 3 visit Flora Hut
30 November: Room 5 students snorkeling in the pool
- Wk 8:** 6 December: BoT meeting
6 December: Ki o Rahi tournament for Room 5 students
8 December: Junior Sports day with Dovedale School
- Wk9:** 13 December Music Recital 7pm
14 December: Room 5 snorkeling in the Abel Tasman
- Wk 10:** 20 December: Last day of Term 4.
School buses will run students home at lunchtime straight after final assembly at Ngatimoti Hall



Rā whanau! Best wishes to **Lexus** who will celebrate her birthday at the weekend! We wish you lots of fun from everyone at school!

Reminders & snippets

Sun Smart: Students should bring a wide brimmed hat every day, rather than a cap.

Triathlon Club THURSDAY LUNCHTIMES. Bring along your swimming togs and bike to join up on Thursday lunchtimes – we expect next week there will be more interest once the swimming trips have finished. You do not have to enter the Weetbix Tryathlon to take part in the club.

Nelson Weetbix Tryathlon – Sunday 4 March Glenn is coordinating our school entries for the 2018 event at Tahunanui Beach and we are now seeking registrations. Either follow this link: [Weetbix Tryathlon](#) or email Glenn at blisteringtongues@yahoo.com to express your interest.

Assemblies have been a rarity this term, with many other events happening. There will not be an assembly this week; however we do plan to have our next assembly on Friday 1 December at 2:20 pm. All welcome.

If you could describe our school in one sentence, what would you say?

PLEASE take a minute to answer this, even if it is something very simple. It can be anonymous if you would like!



R.I.V.E.R students – What a pleasure it has been to hear on three separate occasions this week, from three different people, about the great manners and positive attitudes of our students! These great characteristics will help see our young people through a happy life!

This Friday afternoon, eight senior students have been chosen to participate in Mana Māori, at Te Awhina marae in Motueka. They will be learning alongside students from a number of other schools about the history, the legend, and the rules and playing of the team sport Ki-o-Rahi. This will be great preparation for the inter-school tournament that is coming up at Waimea Intermediate in two weeks' time.

2018 We have started our planning for next year. One aspect of this is classes. In 2018, we will have four classrooms again, with Year 7 and 8 students together, Years 5 and 6 together, Years 3 and 4 together and Years 1 and 2 together. Next year we are planning to use some of the Festival profits for another series of specialist dance lessons, and we will also be introducing some specialist drama lessons later in the year. Three classes will be going on camp in Term One, and the seniors are booked to go to Totaranui on camp in Term 4. The seniors have a day booked with Whenua Iti doing Riversafe lessons, and are hoping to have a day sailing at Kaiteriteri later in Term One. If you have any ideas that we could consider learning about and including in our year, we would love to know! Similarly, if there is anything you want us to change, or stop doing, please let us know! For example, purchasing all student stationery, home learning/homework, Friday cake day, having newsletters every week, being too strict, not being strict enough!

SWIMMING POOL The school pool is lovely and warm, thanks to our fantastic new solar heating system. It will open for class swims and pool key sales from tomorrow! Thanks to subsidies from Festival funds, the Board of Trustees have decided the cost of a swimming pool key for the season this year will remain at \$40, with \$10 refunded on return of your key at the end of the season. Please check whether you still have a pool key from last year and return it before you purchase another. There is a pool agreement to be signed before you buy; which has all the details about opening times and rules and regulations. Please ask Amanda or pick one up from the office.



Fun at the junior athletics yesterday. Thank you to all the parents who have supported our students at the athletics over the last couple of days at Lower Moutere School. Good luck to our seniors competing today!

RILEY will be selling cupcakes this Friday for her passion project to raise money for Oxford Bird Rescue.

If you would like to buy a cupcake please bring in a dollar.



Room 1 & 3 students have had so much fun this last two weeks swimming at the Aquatic Centre. Here is some of their writing about it:

I have learnt how to float on my back with a life jacket on. Check the weather before you go fishing.

By Chico & Malachi.

We went swimming at the Aquatic Centre and we are learning how to save ourselves and other people.

By Alex and Otene.

We have been learning about water safety at the Aquatic Centre. We jumped off the 5m deep end and had a ride on the boat. We also learnt about boat safety. We learnt to take a flare gun, life jacket, emergency communication beacon and check the weather. **By Mannix & Liam.**

Festival profits have recently been spent on: Swimming lessons for all Year 1 to 4 students at the Aquatic Centre, Solar heating the pool, Specialist sports lessons with Haidee from the Rec Centre each Friday, Tennis lessons, new library books, New shelving in the school library, St Johns training for all students, the school minivan!

Junior Touch Our junior team enjoyed another fantastic win this week. There are 2 games left until the finals and we stand a great chance of qualifying. Next Tuesday's junior game is at 4pm.

Sports Fees There are 4 outstanding touch fees remaining, and 1 volleyball player to pay, thank you for your payments.

Lexus and Riley enjoy the high ropes at Bridge Valley last Friday. See the attached Kiwikids newsletter by the Indigo Room for further reports from this fun day!



PARENTS GROUP NEWS & CAKE ROSTER PLEASE CHECK THE ROSTER FOR YOUR DUTY DAY AND LET CATHERINE KNOW IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO SUPPLY CAKES ON YOUR ROSTERED DAY. Each Friday we provide cakes for \$1 each. For this to happen we rely on our parents group - i.e. all parents – to bake a cake, muffins or slices and bring them in to serve on Friday lunchtime. Students should still bring a healthy lunch but could also bring \$1 to buy a cake if they wish. Our lunch duty coordinator is Catherine (Beau, Louie & Chico's mum). If you are unable to do your duty please either swap with another parent or call Catherine on 526 8891. Please send your child with their money in a named purse.

TERM 4	
Week 6 Friday 24 November	Lisa T & Tanya C (parents of Julius, Sultan, Jordan, Jamie)
Week 7 Friday 1 December	Jennifer B & Camille N (parents of Isla, Lili, Tasmin, Riley)
Week 8 Friday 8 December	Bex D & Davina C (parents of Arabella & Rupert)
Week 9 Friday 15 December	Keren S & Marian C (parents of Tui & Tui 😊)

COMMUNITY NOTICES



LOST GUINEA PIG

Peanut has gone missing from the Motueka Valley Highway, close to the school. Bex 021 173 1279

BBQ TO GIVE AWAY

Free to a good home
See Lauren in the Indigo Room

WANTED TO RENT
3 bed house for school family Please contact
Karen on 027 295 9556

KINDY NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 6

Jokes and Riddles! Ha! Ha!

- Q When is the best time to jump on a trampoline? (A) Spring time.
- Q What is the strongest creature in the world? (A) A snail. It carries a whole house on it's back.
- Q Which weighs more a tone of stones or a tonne or feathers? (A) Neither of them they both weigh a tonne.
- Q When do you stop at green and go full speed at red? (A) when you're enjoying a watermelon.
- Q What do lawyers wear when they go to court? (A) Lawsuits.
- Q What spends the whole day on the ground but doesn't get dirty? (A) A shadow.
- Q What do you get when you mix a cow and a trampoline? (A) A milkshake.
- Q What should you put on the tombstone of a mathematician? (A) He didn't count on this...
- Q Why didn't the skeleton go to the dance? (A) He had no body to go with.

By Jacob



Wool Spinning With Mary

On Friday, two weeks ago Sophie's Grandma came in and did wool spinning with the Indigo Room. We got to try to spin wool too. Some thought it was hard and some thought it was easy. You can spin with sheep wool, alpaca and other fleeces. Most people got to have a try, some people didn't want to do it. It takes a lot of time to make a top or a scarf or socks. You can mix wool with other animal wool, it can feel soft or hard. The wool needs to be thin with no bumps on it, because then you will have chunks of wool in your string. Sheep wool is mostly used to make clothing. By Oliver and Damien.

ADA'S SCI FI STORY INTRODUCTION

CHAPTER I

"Hey." I touched James' arm. "Who's that?"

"Who?"

"That." I stared at James in amazement. The man right in front of my nose was noticeable. Very noticeable. "Don't you see him?"

"Jazz, I don't know what you're talking about," James said. Then, worriedly, "Are you feeling alright?"

"Yes, James, I feel fine," I said, but I was beginning to worry. James' eyesight was much better than mine, and if he couldn't see the man ...

"Never mind," said James firmly. "Let's get you home."

He was right. It was nearing 3:00. Mother would be getting worried.

"Alright. Let's go." The man watched as we turned away. I didn't know what was off about him, exactly, he just - wasn't right. And then there were his eyes. They seemed to change colour every five seconds. I shivered, and it was then that I noticed that, although he had been beside me a few seconds ago, James was gone.

"James?" I called out tentatively. "If this is some kind of joke, it's not funny!"

No reply. I glanced at the man. His eyes changed from green to purple to yellow faster than ever. "Who are you?" I asked. "And how did you make my friend disappear?"

"Aaargh! How? Why? And, more importantly, *what?*" I whispered to myself. Why wasn't James here? How wasn't James here? What had happened? And what did the man have to do with it?

If you want to read more, checkout Indigo Room's Blog at <http://indigo-ngatimoti.blogspot.co.nz/>.

Peru vs All Whites 2017 FIFA Play Off - By Pipiri

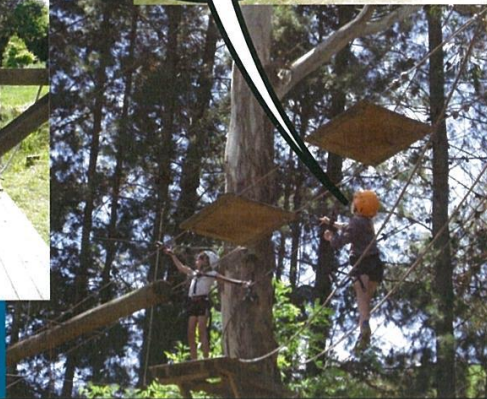
On the 11th November the All Whites hosted Peru at the Cake Tin in New Zealand. The final score was 0-0 and the New Zealand goalkeeper, (Stefan Marinovic) was awarded best player.

This game was played to see who would get into the World Cup. Peru was the better team in the first half with more possession, but in the second half it became more even. On the 16th November Peru won against New Zealand 2-0 which means Peru is going to the world cup and New Zealand isn't. The last time New Zealand went to the world cup was in South Africa, 2010.

Nikau, my Dad, (John) and I all went to watch the game. We felt really annoyed that New Zealand lost, but it was really exciting because we were standing amongst the loud Peru supporters wearing our black and white.



KIWIKIDS NEWSLETTER



Bridge Valley!!!

On Friday the 17th of November the Indigo Room went to Bridge Valley for a fun day out instead of the ski trip. We did lots of amazing things, such as high ropes course, archery, flying fox over the lake, aqua tramp, water slide, hydro slide and a massive platform that you could jump off.

We split into two groups, one group went to archery first and the other group went to the high ropes course. Then we swapped over after morning tea. In the afternoon we had 45 minutes of free time in the lake, jumping off a high platform, jumping on the aqua tramp, sliding down the hydroslide and speed water slide, sadly then we had to leave the amazing day to go back to school.

By the amazing Mila!

A Snippet From Sophie's Science Fiction Story - The World of The Dragons

Chapter 12 – At the Memorial Museum

If James, Finn and Charles were on hyperdrive, then so were Ivy and Maia. There were 12 Clever GIRL Starship Professional–designed supersensitive movement sensors along each possible route to the Museum. Atalia and Luna were mounted on Ebony and Jet, two of the Tnegilletni's Night Furies. And everyone else was hidden around and inside the Museum.

Suddenly, three warning blasts split the night sky, shattering peace (not so much actually) and quiet. Inside the museum, the impromptu guards froze, fearing the worst. A slim black figure slipped through the doors.....



Technology Challenge - Craddy Stick Boat - By Hunter & Arjay

Me, (Arjay) and Hunter helped Mr B and Room One make some flax wood boats. We helped them by watching them while they were hot glueing to make sure they didn't burn themselves. We also made some too, (They were kind of hard for me, (Arjay) because it was my first time doing it, so I was excited but it wasn't Hunters first time, because he did it at Brightwater School.)

We also made it into a technology challenge, back in class for the Indigo Room and it really was a challenge for the Indigo Room, (but they worked fine). Arjay and Mrs M judged them by: which one floated, carried a glue stick across the pool, strength and stability and as everyone met these criteria, then on who got the fastest time to the other side of the pool without falling apart.

The winning team got 3 seconds, which is really fast. It also had to carry a glue stick, which is even harder and it couldn't fall off otherwise you would be out of the competition.

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