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NEWSLETTER - 6 April 2017

Principals Message

Tena koutou katoa, nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa.
Greetings Parents, Whanau and Community Members.

Holidays

Can you believe we only have 5 days of school left (Easter Friday next week for those who had forgotten)? The term has flown by and it's been a cracker with camps, trips, parent interviews, a gala and a host of great learning experiences. Thank you to all our parents who have taken time out from their daily lives to support the camps, trips etc this term. From what I saw, it looked like you had a lot of fun and we really appreciate your support! Over the holidays it would be wonderful if you could encourage your children to read everyday and perhaps even do a few jobs around the house or maybe do some baking or help cook a meal for the family.

Sports

It is great to see so many of our students getting involved in our different sports this year. A huge thank you to the people that have offered to coach and support the teams each week. Just a gentle reminder to stay positive on the sidelines. Please do cheer for your team but also appreciate good play from both teams. If you see something happen on the field you are unhappy about, talk with the coach (calmly) or come and see me at the next opportunity. Please do not yell abuse etc at the ref, players or coaches. I assure you that we are paying the referees and coaches absolutely nothing and therefore they are there trying to ensure your child gets to play. We very rarely have any problems in this regard and I think it's great that our students have developed good sportsmanship partially because of this.

If you have any questions about any sport related matter, come and see us or give us a call. If you can **encourage your child to take part in a sport**, that would be excellent! We hope to have our highest participation rate in the last 10 years this year.

Waiowhoro Stream restoration project

As mentioned in the note that came home on Tuesday, we are hoping to form a care group of keen locals to restore the Waiowhoro Stream from the Ngongotaha walkway bridge to the lake edge (about 1.2km). If you are available and inter-

ested, we plan to hold a meeting in the staffroom **TONIGHT** (6th April) commencing at 7pm (tea, coffee and a bite to eat supplied) for an hour to discuss the project and for you to have your say. Everyone is welcome!

Teacher Only Day

We have a teacher only day on the first day back of term 2. This means we are closed for instruction (teaching and learning) on Monday 1 May and no one will be available to take care of your children so please do not send them or they will be alone! The staff are having a restorative practices refresher with Marg Thorsborne (Australian Restorative Justice expert) on that day. We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause but we can often only get these experts in during school days. It doesn't impact on the number of days your child is taught as it simply adds a day at the end of the year.

Adversity

Last week I talked a little about adversity and how we all need a little of it. I also mentioned 'Helicopter Parenting' and how I consider this to be paramount to 'stealing' children's opportunities to take responsibility and learn self reliance. I challenged each of you if you found yourself doing something for your child that they could have done for themselves, to stop and ask yourself why you are doing it. As mentioned last week, I don't have all the answers, but am very interested to hear your thoughts if you have a spare 10 minutes to pop in sometime.

Reminders:

1. Please ensure your child attends school each day they are well enough to be here.
2. Uniform- please ensure your child has the correct school uniform each day.
3. BOT meeting 6.30pm in the staffroom 25 May.

Have a great week!

Regards

Andrew Sinclair.

TERM EVENTS

6 Apr	Waiowhoro Stream Meeting 7pm
7 Apr	Rata Team Assembly 2.25pm
10 Apr	FOTS Meeting staffroom 6.30pm
13 Apr	Last day of Term 1
14 Apr	Good Friday
1 May	Teacher Only Day
2 May	First day of Term 2 for students
5 May	Mini Marathon
25 May	BOT Meeting staffroom 6.30pm
30 May	Photolife Photos

SCHOOL FEES

Our yearly school fees are a \$40 Activity/ Resource fee and a \$30 school donation. The Activity/ Resource Fee is the only compulsory fee that our school charges. This equates to **less than \$1 per week** that the child is at school.

Our bank account number is 03 0415 0446573 00

Please see Janine in the office if you have a query regarding your account.

Thank you in advance for your payment.

NOTICE BOARD

KAWAHA POINT SCHOOL

HOCKEY**FUNDRAISER!***SATURDAY 6th May***KAWAHA POINT SCHOOL
CAR PARK 10am - 3pm****Cost: \$10.00 per carpark sit****There will also be a BBQ and Cake Stall.****All inquiries and payments to school office .****2017 Junior Soccer
(Football) Muster for
Primary School**

Calling all interested students who want to play soccer this year. There is also the potential for parents who would like to be a coach. Rotorua City

Football Club is holding a player muster on -

Thursday 6th of April 2017 at 3.30 - 4pm, Rowi Street Reserve, Selwyn Heights.

For further information please contact Mereana 027 413 0638 or John on 021 261 9461. We look forward to seeing you all there.

FOTS Mufti Day Thursday 13 April**Gold coin donation**

Wear anything that you want to school that day.

**SWIMMING PROGRAMMES**

Thinking Swimming?

Orange Swim School at Holdens Bay, recently awarded Quality Swim School status by Swimming NZ is where learning to swim starts! From there the youngsters can progress to the Aquatic Centre where we offer a number of swimming programs.

Our new program starts in term 2, Ika Roa (long fish) is a post learn to swim program where the youngsters will further develop with skills and water awareness. Further programs include Ika Iki (little fish) and Ika Nui (big fish). For enquiries contact us at uas@clear.net.nz Or text Henk at 027-2203470

Affinity Light Sculpture**City Focus 3 - 23 April**

Students are encouraged to make time to visit Rotorua's city centre area over April to experience a large installation called Affinity.

The dramatic and emotive installation is best viewed at dusk as it takes the form of a light sculpture activated by human touch. It is of both artistic and social interest as it explores the effects of dementia. It features interconnected globes that set up a striking display of sound and light. The more people touching the globes, the more alive the 'brain' becomes. Sounds and personal stories of Rotorua people impacted by dementia emanate from the globes. (Did you know ... an estimated 60,000 New Zealanders live with dementia today. Indications are that given New Zealand's aging population, that number is expected to triple by 2050).

Affinity will be in Rotorua's City Focus from 3-23 April, and will be active from dusk -10pm each evening.

**FREE
SCHOOL
HOLIDAY
ACTIVITIES**

ANIMATES

Thursday 20th & 27th
April, 11am

Small in size with big personality,
find out everything you need to
know about rabbits, guinea pigs,
rats and mice

MARCHING GIRLS WANTED

Madison Blues Marching Teams

Are looking for **NEW RECRUITS** for the 2017/2018 season

Open Free Choice: Year 1 – Year 4 (Non-competitive)

Under 12 Grade: Year 4 – Year 6

Senior Grade: 12 - 30 Years (experience required)

We are now taking names for those interested in Marching

Marching is a sport that offers participants a strong sense of team spirit and self discipline.

It provides physical fitness, deportment, co-ordination, musical enjoyment, life long friendships and opportunities of travel.



We will be having our muster on Sunday 11th June. Limited spaces left so be in quick and register your interest today.

The season runs from June and will conclude in March 2018 with the NZ Championships in Hamilton.



Marching is.....

- » a team sport
- » meeting new people
- » personal achievement
- » self control
- » a commitment sport
- » learning self control
- » team & self discipline
- » self confidence

Please phone and Register today

Karen on 027 2716525

or

Ngapi on 021 239 3872

Join the

goosechase

Sport Bay of Plenty's Virtually on Track is hosting an outdoor, app-based, Amazing Race-style event near you these school holidays!

Complete your missions, score points and challenge friends and family.

Download the free app and get exploring!

For more information:

www.sportbop.co.nz/get-active/virtually-on-track/



EASTER EGG DECORATING COMPETITION AT THE



Come along to the Farmers Market on **SUNDAY 9 APRIL** between 10am and noon to learn about Easter egg decorating traditions from Germany.

Then, make your own decorated egg creation at home and bring it along to the Farmers Market on **EASTER SUNDAY (16 APRIL)** where our judges will choose the best eggs to win some fantastic prizes!



There are two age categories - six and under, and seven to 12 years old. Each child may only enter one egg.

All eggs must be at the Farmers Market barrow by 11am on 16 April. Make sure you bring your egg in a small nest or box with your name and age clearly displayed.

Winners will be announced at 11.30am. You must be at the market to win a prize.

The Farmers Market takes place each Sunday at the City Focus from 9am - 1pm.

Questions? Please contact the Rotorua Farmers Market Facebook page



WHEN WE JUST NEED A BREAK FROM SANDWICHES

SANDWICHES ARE GREAT

They are tasty, good fuel for the day, cheap, quick and easy, and children can make their own when they get older.

BUT sometimes we feel like a change.

Try these ideas in the lunchbox instead:

- Leftover dinner – maybe rice or pasta with vegetables, or meatballs, or baked potato
- Quiche or frittata
- Wholegrain crackers with hummus or cheese
- Homemade pizza slice
- Vegetable muffin or scone
- Toasted sandwich
- Wrap with salad and cold meat or egg
- Sushi
- Bread cases with egg, cheese and vegetable fillings



For more information, visit www.heartfoundation.org.nz

Matariki Art Workshops -

**ROTORUA
LAKE COUNCIL**
The Lakes District Council and a Regional Council

Matariki 'All Stars' Parade

FREE Art Sessions


Rotorua starts its month long Matariki celebrations with a parade of lanterns through the city centre.

As part of the Matariki 'All Stars' Parade we have put together a series of art sessions to get everyone involved in the celebration of Matariki, The Maori New Year.

Featuring stilt walkers, drummers, jugglers and more, the parade will lead its participants on a journey to the Matariki stars, finishing with music, entertainment and a magical firework display.

Be part of the parade and join in the fun as the evening gets filled with colour, noise and stars.

All of the art sessions are free of charge and the materials are supplied, so all we need is for you to come along and have some fun with us!

 Visit us on Facebook:
@MatarikiAllStarsParade

Register for workshops:
✉ email: lumieressociety@gmail.com
☎ phone: 027 921 8652

GIANT PUPPETS WORKSHOP

Where: The Imaginarium, 1150 Pukuatua Street

Thursday 6th April	7.00 – 9.00 PM
Thursday 13th April	7.00 – 9.00 PM
Thursday 20th April	7.00 – 9.00 PM
Thursday 4th May	7.00 – 9.00 PM



GIANT LANTERNS WORKSHOP

Where: The Imaginarium, 1150 Pukuatua Street

Friday 7th April	7.00 – 9.00 PM
Wednesday 12th April	7.00 – 9.00 PM
Friday 21st April	7.00 – 9.00 PM
Friday 28th April	7.00 – 9.00 PM



CARDBOARD CREATIONS WORKSHOP

Where: Headquarters (TBC)

Saturday 8th April	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Thursday 27th April	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Friday 28th April	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Saturday 6th May	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Thursday 11th May	4.00 – 7.00 PM

LANTERNS WORKSHOP

Where: Headquarters (TBC)

Thursday 4th May	4.00 – 7.00 PM
Saturday 13th May	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Thursday 18th May	4.00 – 7.00 PM
Friday 19th May	4.00 – 7.00 PM
Saturday 27th May	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Thursday 1 June	4.00 – 7.00 PM
Friday 2 June	4.00 – 7.00 PM
Saturday 10 June	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM

MASKS & HATS

Where: Headquarters (TBC)

Saturday 20th May	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Thursday 25th May	4.00 – 7.00 PM
Saturday 3rd June	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Thursday 8th June	4.00 – 7.00 PM

BACKPACKS & WINGS

Where: Headquarters (TBC)

Saturday 20th May	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Friday 26th May	4.00 – 7.00 PM
Saturday 3rd June	10.00 AM – 3.00 PM
Friday 9th June	4.00 – 7.00 PM

