

Newsletter

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Tumuaki's Report



Kia ora koutou,

The countdown is definitely on. We have three weeks until the start of the Area Schools' Tournament. Many thanks to all of you who have already offered your support. In those newsletters, I have included the draft draw so that you will be able to plan your week if you wish to come to watch some of the games. We will be using Saxton Field Park for the first day's games on Monday 20th March, as we do not have sufficient court space for volleyball and basketball.

We have a number of really busy weeks ahead. The Pelorus Cluster Swimming Sports are Friday 24th February in Linkwater for Years 1-3 and the following week at Stadium 2000 for Years 4-8. Our school Swimming Sports are scheduled for Tuesday 7th March. There is also an Awa to Moana Day for all the Pelorus Schools Years 6-8 students on Friday 10th March. This is part of the water week celebrations. Our students will spend half a day at Pelorus rafting and then move to Anakiwa for an afternoon of kayaking.

This year we have been able to find a way to offer our Years 7 & 8 students a taster programme exploring foreign languages. Ms. Wiesner will teach this for an hour a week. We would like the students to look at French, Italian, and German. Our school has been able to offer a foreign language in the past and it would be great to be able to do so again. This is about widening our student's experiences and understanding of a global world.

Attendance continues to be a key focus for the Ministry of Education. Currently, the Marlborough region is advertising positions for Attendance Officers. The rollout for this service for our region is likely to be Term 2 and will be a much more enhanced service.

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Our People:

Principal: Maree Furness

Deputy Principal: Mike Wilson

Primary Leader: Karen Davies

Senco: Janine Sorensen

Learning Support Teacher: Theresa Neal

Executive Officer: Selene Turner

Receptionist: Pauline Agnew

Caretaker: Shane Dearman





Finally, I would like to ask you to check the dates that are on the calendar as there is a lot happening between now and the end of the Term.

I hope you all have a fantastic day at the Rai Show on the 4th of March.

A lot of you have worked very hard for this and deserve a very successful day.

**Noho ora mai
Maree**



After School care is back this year. For bookings and enquiries contact Renee Jope on 027 775 0083. It will be based out of the library again. Rates are \$5 per child per hour

Calendar Dates

Years 1-6 Parent Teacher Meetings
Monday 27th & Tuesday 28th February

Years 7-13 Parent-Teacher Conferences
Tuesday 28th February.

Years 1 - 3 Swimming @ Linkwater
Friday 24th February

Years 4 - 8 Swimming @ Stadium 2000
Friday 3rd February

RVAS Swimming Sports
Tuesday 7th March

Area School Tournament
Sunday 19th - Friday 24th March

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SAND & SURF DAY

Ever wanted to know what is involved in Surf Lifesaving?
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Sunday 26th Feb
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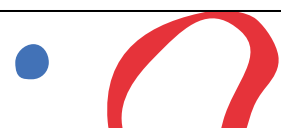




Draft Tournament Timetable

This is a draft document and is to be confirmed. (dated 13/2/23)

	Sunday, 19th March	No of Students	Monday	No of Students	Tuesday	No of Students	Wednesday	No of Students	Thursday	No of Students	Friday	No of Students
7.15			Depart for Nn Travelling									
8.45			Basketball	6+	Girls Netball	7+	Football	6+	Touch	6+	Teams announced: team photos: poroporoaki; departure (between 10.30 -	All
			Volleyball	6+	Boys Softball	8+	Obstacle Course	6	Rai Challenge	6		
10:00:00			Golf	1-2	Cooking (8.45am- Judging - Cooking	max 2	WoW Challenge	max 2	Tech Challenge	max 2		
					Art Challenge	max 2	Art Challenge	max 2	Art Challenge	max 2		
11:00:00												
12:00:00			Photography Ch	max 1	Photography Ch	max 1	Photography Ch	max 1	Photography Ch	max 1		
13:00:00												
14:00:00	Schools start arriving at		Basketball	6+	Ki o rahi	7+	Football	6+	Touch	6+		
			Volleyball	6+	Ultimate Frisbee	9+	Obstacle Course	6	Rai Challenge	6		
			Golf	1-2			WoW Challenge	max 2	Tech Challenge	max 2		
15:00:00	3.30pm	All							Orienteering	max 2		
16:00:00							Judging of WoW		Judging of Art & Photos - displayed @ hall			
17:00:00	Mihi whakatau						WoW Parade					
18:00:00			Dinner @ Nn	All	Dinner provided by billets		Dinner @ RVAS	All	Dinner & Social			
19:00:00	Dinner @ RVAS	All	Schools to buy own tea						Dinner @ 6pm - 6.30pm to 9.30pm @ Carlake Hall			
20:00:00	Home to billets	All	Time and date to be confirmed... Rugby boys??? Talk to Kahu / Makos on what day? How many boys going to trial?							Selector's meeting @ Carlake		
21:00:00									19:00			
22:00:00												
			Major sports (4 hours allowed)				Rugby & golf not included in points (players only)					
			8.45am to 1pm		morning programme							
			1.30pm to 5pm		afternoon programme							
			Not using school buses so can run over if necessary (till 5pm)									



School & Community News



Years 7-13 Parent-Teacher Conferences - Tuesday 28th February

Dear Parents and Caregivers

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Apologies for only giving a week's notice. It has been challenging to get a date that works with our calendar and most staff this term. The interview slots are 10 minutes long.

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We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on Tuesday. If this date doesn't work for you and you are keen to catch up with teaching staff, please send me an email and we will look at some options.

Ngā mihi nui

Mike Wilson

Deputy Principal

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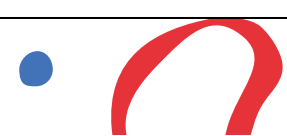
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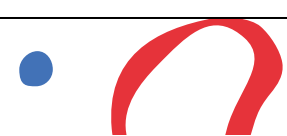
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Yr10 Art Class with Ms. Wiesner

Roman Architecture People Animals and Clothes Study

All students in the class contributed to the work below

Special thanks to Lorna O'Donnell for putting it all together
and adding her talented finishing touches.





Congratulations to the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Girls.

It has been a long but worthwhile journey for you all amongst floods and COVID. You are growing up to be amazing young ladies who now have something not everyone else has in their CV's. You have gain skills in the outdoors and in being decent humans.

Thank you Antonia O'Donnell for your dedication to getting our girls there.

Whenua iti is offering to pay for a number of newbies to take on their Bronze Duke of Ed experience this year. Anyone from 14-24 years old can do this.

Contact Antonia for more details.
info@wanderfulladventures.co.nz





THE KIWI CAN CORNER

Respect / Manaakitanga

This week we'd like to introduce you to your child's Kiwi Can Leaders...

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Zarya



Ask your child what they have got to know about their Kiwi Can Leaders so far from the 'Beets' they shared ☺

Want to know more? You can also read our team bios over on our website at www.billygoatstram.com

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THE KIWI CAN CORNER

Respect / Manaakitanga

This term's theme is respect / manaakitanga - which we're exploring via three main modules:

- **Respect for our school**
For example, considering how school values relate to manaakitanga / respect - and what this looks like; exploring how we represent our school and show pride...
- **Respect for our community**
For example, learning how to show respect to people in our community; understanding why we should - and how we can - contribute to the wellbeing of our community...
- **Respect for our environment**
For example, exploring what kaitiakitanga and environmental guardianship means - and why this is important; practising being kaitiaki / guardians, and showing respect for our environment...

Stay tuned for more details each week, plus some 'conversation starters' so you can keep the learning going at home ☺

Follow [@billygoatstram](https://www.instagram.com/billygoatstram/) through to stay up to date







Families with kids who have a low or declining school attendance could soon expect a knock on the door from one of 82 new Attendance Officers - **and being away on a family holiday is not an excuse for skipping school.**

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The officers are part of a \$74million package to address Aotearoa's school attendance crisis.

They'll work alongside parents and schools to target students with moderate non-attendance, to work out what's behind the absences and stop them becoming a chronic problem

Part of the funding will also go to the existing Attendance Services, to help them reach an additional 3000 chronically absent students.

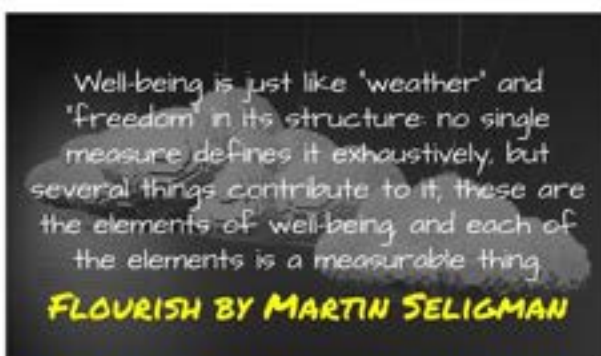
👉 More on this story:

<https://www.1news.co.nz/2023/02/21/80-attendance-officer-roles-created-in-govt-truancy-crackdown/>





DEVELOPING WELLBEING AT RAI VALLEY AREA SCHOOL



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As a School we are a member of the Top of the South Area Schools Kahui Ako (Community of Learning) and Maree Furness is the Lead Principal for the Kahui Ako.

Two school staff: Richard Wilkins (School Counsellor) and Janine Sorensen (Head of Secondary, Year 7 & 8 Teacher, SENCO, within Schools Kahi Ako)) have been reviewing the school's Wellbeing Plan and have also led two Kahui Ako Wellbeing Leads Hui. Wellbeing is a strategic priority in all of the Kahui Ako Schools and the two Hui have created an opportunity for Teachers to share ideas and Resources as well as for Professional Development to support future planning. We look forward to implementing new ideas and initiatives in school.

Richard Wilkins (School Counsellor)



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To order please return this form with your payment no later than:
Friday 17th March 2023 to school office or to Renee Jess in the library

Delivery will be around: 30 / 03 / 2023.

Thank you for supporting this fundraiser. Enquiries to: reneed@rai.school.nz

Bulb Fundraiser Order Form 2023

Name: _____
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Bulb / Seed Type	Price	Number ordered	Total \$'s
7 Daffodils - Early Fragrant Mix <small>Our most fragrant selection of scented daffodils and purple. Ideal to mass plant and fantastic as for pots on the terrace, balcony.</small>	\$12.00		
8 Daffodils - "Earlicheer" <small>A delightful and popular variety for planting. Bunches of tightly scented, double flowers in a soft creamy yellow make this a favourite. Flowers for a long period early in the season. 100mm.</small>	\$8.90		
10 Tulips - Mixed <small>Stunning spring flowering bulbs with colourful and attractive cup shaped flowers. Top quality bulbs in a wide colour range will give an unsurpassable garden display. Height 45cm.</small>	\$10.70		
10 Freesias Fragrant Single & Double - Mixed <small>For the true scent of spring try this mix of popular, fragrant Freesias. They will give a long lasting, dazzling display and have long stems for picking. 100mm. Protect from heavy frosts.</small>	\$10.90		
10 Ranunculus - Rainbow Mix <small>A purchase of fully double, over 20 colour flowers in a wide vibrant colour range. Large clumps of these showy flowers are hard to beat. Ideal for borders or pots. 100-150mm.</small>	\$7.00		
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Duffy Books in Homes has come to Rai Valley Area School for 2023.

All students from Year 1 - 8 are eligible for 5 free books a year.

Order forms for choices are going home this week and it is very important that these are returned to school by February 16th, so Renee can process your orders on time and each child gets their FREE books to take home and keep.

Duffy Books in Homes also celebrates with things like "CAUGHT BEING GOOD" awards, Role Model Assemblies and a visit from the Duffy Theatre which will be in Rai Valley on Tuesday the 28th of March.





Marlborough Netball Centre Fees 2023

GRADE	FEES
Premier <small>(per team)</small>	\$1949
Senior <small>(per team)</small>	\$1231
Social <small>(per team)</small>	\$1035
College <small>(per team)</small>	\$1093
Year 7+8 <small>(per team)</small>	\$667
Year 5+6 <small>(per player)</small>	\$52
Year 3+4 <small>(per player)</small>	\$40
Year 1+2 <small>(per player)</small>	\$37



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THURSDAY 16TH MARCH

3:30PM

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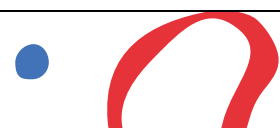
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- Rai Challenge - carry a pig around an obstacle course
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- Want to enter? entry schedule on website

& loads more...

Questions? 021 450205
 secretary@raivalleyshow.co.nz

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Key School Dates for 2023

Sunday 19th - Friday 24th March	Area Schools Tournament in Rai Valley
Friday 24th March	Primary Teacher Only Day (Pelorus Cluster)
Thursday 6th April	Last Day Term 1
Monday 24th April	Teacher Only Day
Tuesday 25th ANZAC Day April	School Closed
Wednesday 26th April	Term 2 Starts
Monday 5th June	King's Birthday
Friday 30th June	Term 2 Ends
Monday 17th July	Term 3 Begins
Friday 22nd September	Term 3 Ends
Monday 9th October	Term 4 Begins
Monday 23rd October	Labour Monday
Monday 30th October	Marlborough Anniversary
Monday 6th November	NCEA Examinations Start
December 10th-14th	Final week of Term 4 Last Day to be confirmed



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