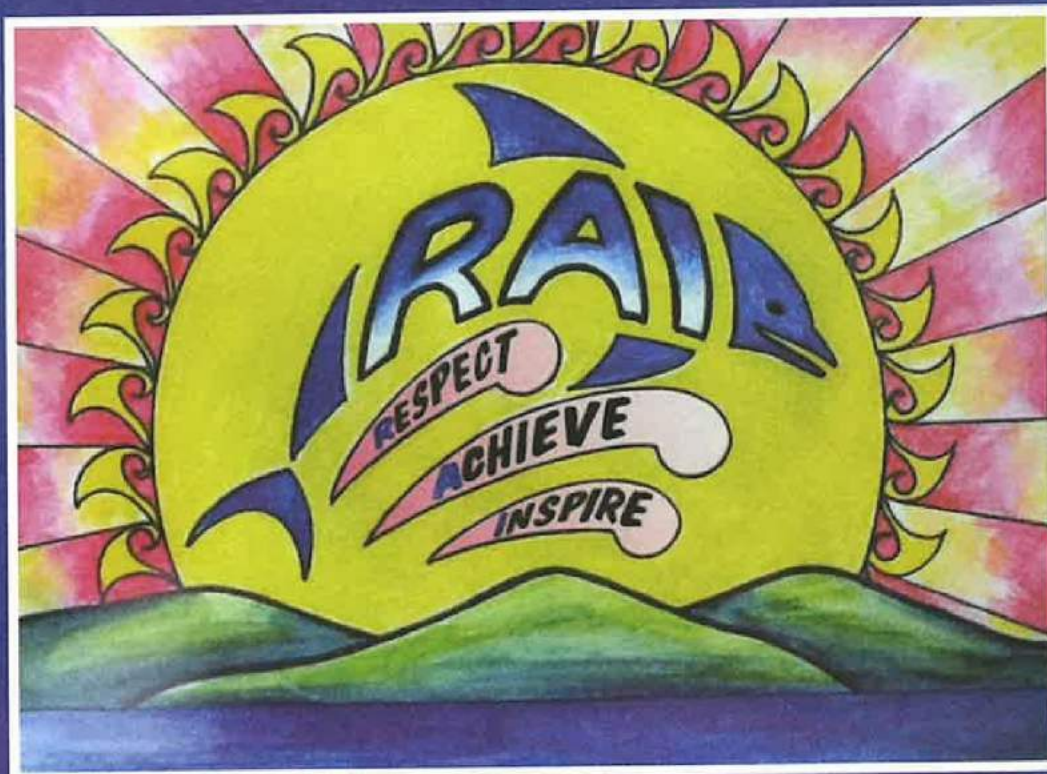




Rai Valley Area School

Newsletter



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Newsletter

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Tumuaki's Report



Kia ora koutou,

The school has settled into the new year well. As most of you are aware Pauline has been off work since the beginning of the year. She is making great progress but her recovery is slow. Pauline is not expecting to be back to work until the middle of March.

We have been very fortunate to have Christine McDonald fill in for us. So if you are in school, please make yourselves known to Christine.

February has been busy and the next few weeks will be as well. Our primary students have had camp, a Natureland visit, fundamental skills, and swimming sports at Linkwater for years 1-3. Year's 4-8 Swimming is at Stadium 2000 next Friday. Next month they have Pelorus Athletics at Athletic Park in Blenheim, Rai Swimming Sports, and parent goal-setting conferences at the end of March. For secondary it is equally busy. The NMIT Trades programmes and the Graeme Dingle Foundation Career Navigator have commenced. Training is well underway as Tournament looms in Murchison on March 24th-28th

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Our People:

Principal: Maree Furness

Secondary Leader: Dan Waldie

Primary Leader: Karen Davies

Primary Senco: Jennie Brook-Watt

Secondary Senco: Eli Briasco

Learning Support Teacher: Theresa Neal

Executive Officer: April Morris

Receptionist: Pauline Agnew

Caretaker: Shane Dearman



Tumuaki's Report Cont'd



Congratulations to Keegan Quirk who has been selected for the Marlborough Basketball Association Under 16 Boys representative team. Keegan has put in some long hours of practice so this is an amazing achievement.

Unfortunately, we have had to schedule a First Aid renewal course for our staff at very short notice. As a result, there will be Teachers Only Day on Tuesday, March 5th. This is going to create childcare issues for some of you. We will provide supervision at school if required. Can you please let the office know if your child needs to be at school on Tuesday 5th March? In addition if we know in advance we can organise buses and school lunches for the day.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a very successful day on Saturday. There is a huge amount of work that goes into preparing for the A & P Show, so hope you have fine weather and a great day!

School lunches Week 5

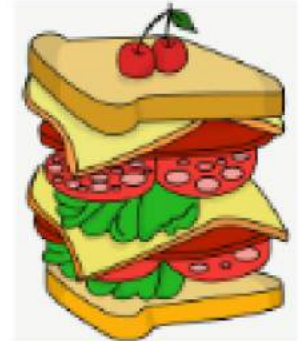
Monday 26 Feb
BBQ Chicken pasta salad
Cassava chips
Anzac biscuit

Tuesday 27 Feb
Meat Loaf
Salad
Chocolate courgette cake bite

Wednesday 28 Feb
Mexican Meese plate
Cheese and Carrot
Dried Fruit

Thursday 29 Feb
Ham, Cheese & Tomato Sammie
Hummus and Carrot sticks
Popcorn

Friday 30 Feb
Hawaiian Pizza
Slaw
Scroggin



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Maree**

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E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial in
Concert**

**7.00pm - 9.30pm
Saturday 24 February
Christchurch Town Hall**

**Benjamin Northey -
Chief Conductor**





Greetings everyone.

What a week it has been with everyone in primary super busy with Fundamental Skills and swimming sports.

I'm pretty sure you might have some tired children in your household. 2 instructors commented to me on how much some children had improved in their sporting skills. This is great.

Next Friday, 1st March, the senior students, yr 4-8, of the primary syndicate get their chance to show off their swimming skills at Stadium 2000 in Blenheim with the other Pelorus Cluster schools.

The very next day is of course the Rai Valley A and P Day. No rest for the 'busy', until Sunday when you should all have a sleep in. I know I will be!!

Teachers are busy doing lots of individual assessments with students at this time also to help plan their explicit teaching and keeping students focussed on their learning aims and goals.

On Tuesday 5th March, there is a Teacher Only Day. School will be open only for the teachers who have to complete a day and a half of First Aid training. We do this every 2 years and it is mandatory. It is also to the benefit of all students and staff, if there is an accident or medical emergency at school.

On Thursday, Mrs Ballantyne and Mrs Brook-Watt took the Yr 1-3 students to Linkwater for Pelorus Cluster Swimming. Look out further in the newsletter for information and photos about this event.

Remember our school Boomerang Book is still a great way to communicate with your child's teacher and for the class teacher to communicate back to you. Emails are also a helpful tool.

Week 5 next week...boy we are zooming along. Have a happy weekend.

Karen Davies
Head of Primary

RVAS SWIMMING SPORTS coming 12th March





Pelorus Cluster Junior Swimming Sports 2024



We had the most wonderful time at our Pelorus Cluster Junior Swimming Sports today at Linkwater School. The weather turned up this year which meant the children weren't quite as cold, yay! Our tamariki did their best, and swam their little hearts out, an excellent effort team. Parents have a lot to be proud of and I know Mrs. Brook-Watt and I certainly were. It was fantastic to see our students supporting one another to persevere and join the races even if it was a struggle at times - amazing sportsmanship was seen in our juniors, Year 0-3 at all times. A massive thank you to all the parent support today - whether that was coming to watch your child swim, or help with the transport, or both. It was greatly appreciated! We cannot attend these events without the dedication of support and time that we receive from you all. Congratulations again, to Khloe Dunbar and Bjorn Prattley who both took out 1st and 2nd place in some of the Year 3 length events.

Many thanks,
Mrs. Aimee Ballantyne &
Mrs. Jennie Brook-Watt



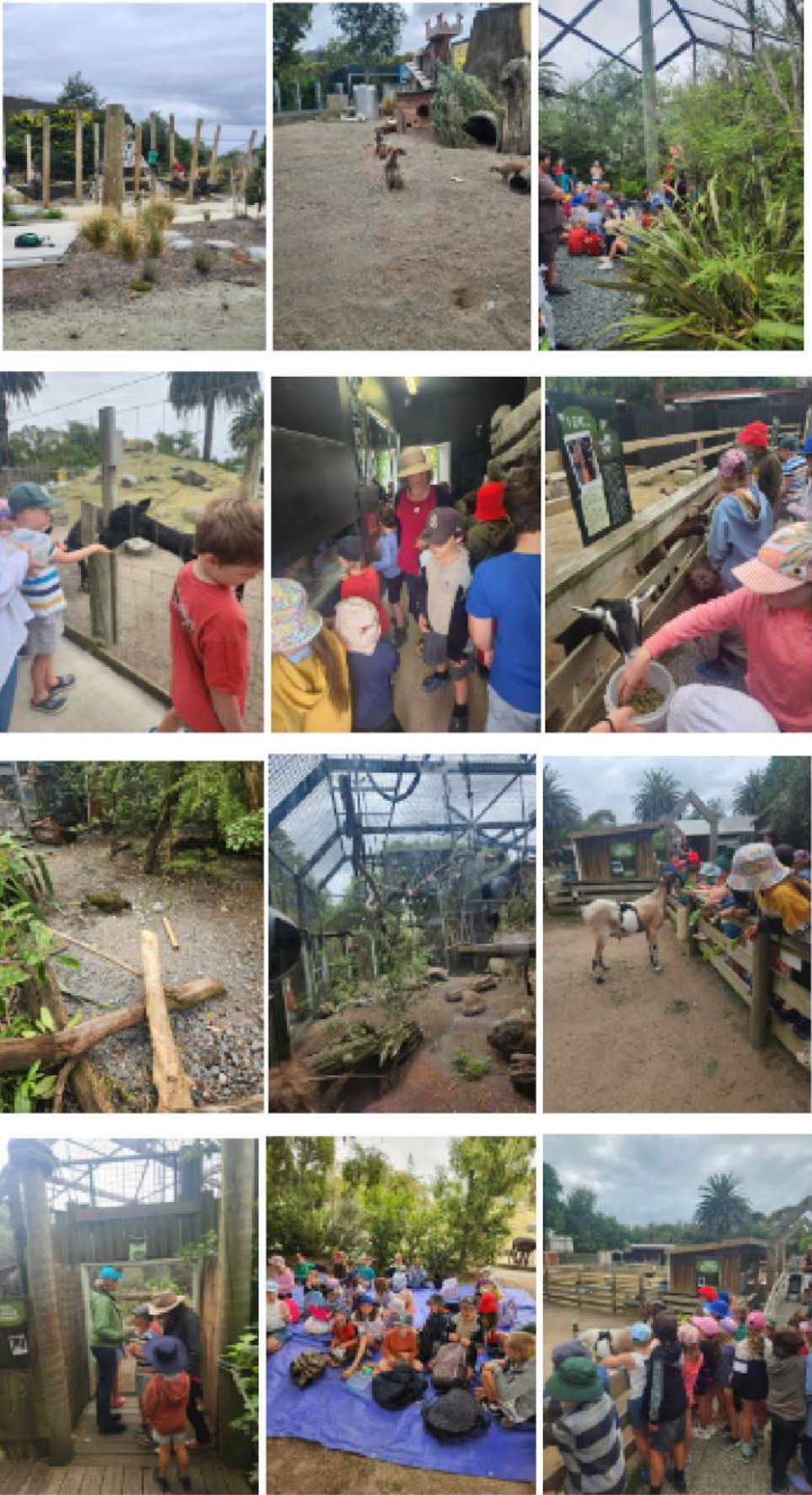


Fundamental Skills 2024





Y1-6 NatureLand visit



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

Bulb Fundraiser Order Form 2024

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Our bank account number is RAI VALLEY AREA SCHOOL: 12-3165-0348666-000

ref **BULBS24**

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7 Freesias Fragrant Single & Double - Mixed 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. H30cm. Protect from heavy frosts.	\$ 9 .30		
7 Ranunculus – Rainbow Mix A profusion of fully double, ever so sweet flowers in a wide, vibrant colour range. Large clumps of these showy flowers are hard to beat. Ideal for borders or pots. H30-40cm	\$7.00		
7 Dutch Iris – Super Mix A selection of the world's most popular Iris. Showy flowers in the garden and long lasting when cut H60-90cm	\$10.30		
7 Sparaxis – Harlequin Mix Tri-coloured flowers in a whimsical rainbow mix of colours. Will make a bright and playful display in a sunny rockery or border. Easy and reliable plants that will multiply quickly. H25cm.	\$ 9 .80		
7 Anemone – De Caen Mix Giant poppy shaped flowers in a range of bright colours that float about 30cm above the ground on fern like foliage. Plant in full sun or semi shade.	\$ 6 .00		
Sweet Pea - Early Multiflora - 20 seeds A vibrant and striking mix of early flowering Heirloom sweet peas. Lavender, pink, purple, white and red flowers all with that old-fashioned intoxicating fragrance. Climber to 2m	\$ 5 .20		
GRAND TOTAL:			

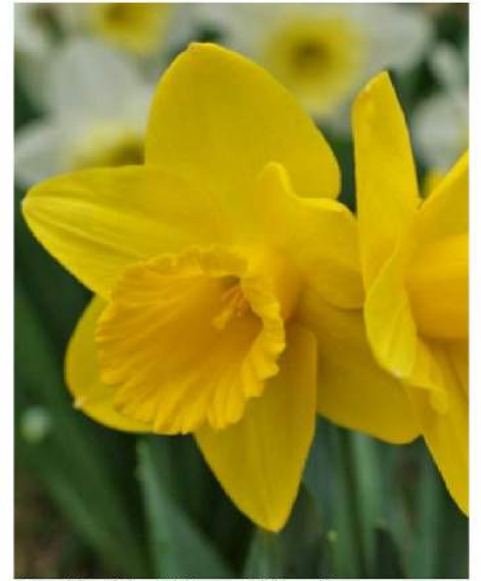
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Daffodils - Springtime Mix



Anemone St Brigid (Doubles)



Daffodil - "King Alfred"



Tulips - Mixed



Freesias - Mix



Ranunculus - Rainbow Mix



Dutch Iris - Super Mix



Sweet Pea - Early Multiflora Sparaxis - Harlequin Mix



Whole School News

Do you want to learn the guitar?
Interested in lessons?



When: Monday & Friday morning tea time
Where: In the VC room at the library
Cost: \$10 per session



If you are interested please talk to me Sophia Wiesner at school or
email me on sophia.wiesner@rai.school.nz



AFTER SCHOOL CARE

is available from 3pm to 5pm
Monday - Friday

contact the school office or
Skylar on 027 244 9390 to book in.

(Skylar does not have access to her phone from 8.50am-2.50pm)

\$5 per child per hour

**NOT AVAILABLE FRIDAY 15HT MARCH &
THURSDAY 28TH MARCH**

PELORUS JUNIOR MUSTER DAY 2024



29TH
FEBRUARY
@3:30PM



HAVELOCK
DOMAIN





Up & Coming Key School Dates 2024

Tuesday 27th February	T1W5	Secondary: Defensive Driving course starts
Tuesday 27th February	T1W5	Secondary: RYDA course, Renwick
Friday 1st March	T1W5	Primary: Pelorus Cluster Year 4-8 Swimming Sports @ Stadium 2000, Blenheim
Saturday 2nd March		Rai Valley A & P Show
Tuesday 5th March	T1W6	T.O.D staff First Aid Cert revalidation
Monday 11th March	T1W7	Secondary: Year 7 & 8 Immunisations
Tuesday 12th March	T1W7	ALL: R.V.A.S Swimming Sports
Saturday 16th March		Havelock Mussel Festival
Tuesday 19th March	T1W7	Secondary: S.A.D.D. visit
Thursday 21st March	T1W8	Primary: Year 1-8 Pelorus Athletics @ Athletic Park, Blenheim
Friday 22nd March	T1W8	Primary: Duffy Theatre visit
Sunday 24th - Thursday 28th March	T1W9	Secondary: T.O.S.I. Area Schools Tournament in Murchison
Friday 29th March	T1W9	Good Friday
Monday 1st April	T1W10	Easter Monday
Tuesday 2nd April	T1W10	Easter Tuesday



Respect Manaakitanga

Means treating people, things and places as important.

The Kiwi Can Corner

Respect / Manaakitanga

This week we are delighted to introduce you to your child's Kiwi Can Leaders for the year!

Fili



Zarya



Ask your child what they have got to know about their Kiwi Can Leaders so far from the 'Reels' they shared :) And if you want to know more about the team, head over to www.bit.ly/GDFMTeam



Stay in the loop, follow [@GraemeDingleFoundationMarlborough](https://www.facebook.com/GraemeDingleFoundationMarlborough) to find out more



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A CHILDREN'S DAY & SEAWEEK CELEBRATION



Exploring Nature - Momorangi Bay

Come along & join us to celebrate our amazing tamariki & explore the many habitats of Momorangi Bay!



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EXPLORE
Native Bush



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SUN 17TH MARCH
10am-2pm

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WAIKAWA DIVE CENTRE

Seaweek.

Rātā Foundation

PACK A PICNIC & YOUR TOGS!

Bring the whole family along for this FREE family fun day!
Grab one of our Momorangi Bay Passports on the day - see how many habitats you can explore - proudly sponsored by Port Marlborough & Seaweek!

MORE INFO @ WWW.ENVIROHUB.CO.NZ/EVENT



The 11th Annual Rarangi Beach clean-up
Sunday March 3rd 10 am to 12.
Meet at Rarangi Community Hall.
This event is part of national Seaweek.
(2nd -10th March 2024) and
The Massive Marlborough Clean Up!

A chance for us all to come together collectively to help our environment and catch up with the neighbours and the wider Marlborough Community.

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Touch and look
Your pēpē is calmed and reassured by watching your caring face and feeling your soothing touch. They love to see how your facial expression changes and reacts to what they are doing. They learn by watching you.

Identify your needs
You and your pēpē are strongest when your needs are being met. Never be afraid to ask for help. It takes a whānau to raise strong healthy tamariki.

Kōrero
Your pēpē loves the sound of your voice. They understand and respond to the tone of your voice more than the words you use. When you read to them they learn to share your world, and begin to understand the meaning of your words.

Aroha
Your pēpē knows they are loved when you respond to them with warmth and kindness. They understand that loving is normal when they watch all their whānau hug and kiss and laugh at the joy of helping them become strong tamariki.



IT'S OK TO ASK FOR HELP
Patua te Taniwha te "whakamā"!
(Don't be embarrassed)

SUPPORT & ADVICE FOR PARENTS, CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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Healthline 0800 611 116 To talk to a nurse
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Youthline 0800 376 633
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Online chat for 5–18 year-olds, 3–10pm
tiny.cc/aroha
Youth mental wellbeing
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www.greatfathers.org.nz
Helping families, especially men, understand their baby's needs
www.skip.org.nz
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www.kiwifamilies.co.nz
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www.commonground.org.nz
Recognise and understand the difficult situations that young people go through
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www.parent2parent.org.nz
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www.kidshealth.org.nz
Children's health

Kaituna Ridges Ramble.

The event is Saturday 23rd March, presale tickets are \$30 per adult, on the day tickets are \$35 and all children's tickets are \$10.

Tickets are on sale at Eventfinda -

<https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2024/kaituna-ridges-ramble/havelock>

And more information is available at our website - <http://www.kaitunaridgesramble.kiwi.nz/>

As always the event is a fundraiser for our fabulous wee preschool - Pelorus Community Preschool - Kōhungahunga o Te Hoiere

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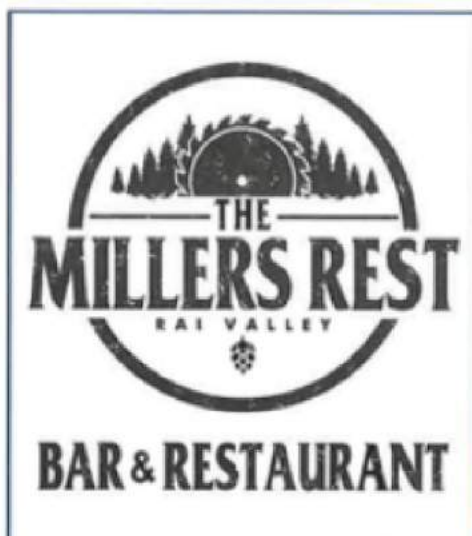
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