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Newsletter

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Tumuaki's Report



Kia ora koutou

We have had a lot of illness in the last couple of weeks. We have had staff and students absent with several nasty stomach and flu bugs doing the rounds. COVID is also active in our community. This term we have been fortunate to be able to get relievers which has meant that we have not had to send students home

It has been a really busy few weeks. Haoura Health Day was a great day with lots of great sessions. Well done, Mr Waldie and his team for their hard work in organizing a great day. Mrs Waldie took Harriet Leov, William Waldie, and Sophie Thompson to Wataria Bay for the Pelorus Speech Competitions. All our students performed well with Sophie being named the overall Year 7 winner.

The Year 10-13 students have an informative day in Blenheim at the Future of Work conference. This was a great opportunity to see what some of the career options are for them. Last week the Year 6-8 classes visited Te Hora Marae as part of the group of Pelorus schools. It was a great experience for our students This Thursday as a school we will celebrate the bedding of Matariki with many activities throughout the day.

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Caretaker: Shane Dearman

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Thank you to the senior girls who did an amazing job of organising and running the junior discolast Wednesday. It was a successful evening.

In recent weeks teachers have been busy writing the half-yearly reports. Report night for Years 7-13 has been moved to Tuesday 2nd July from Tuesday 25th June due to staff illness. Secondary reports will be posted on Tuesday 25th of June and primary reports will be posted on Wednesday 3rd of July. If you have queries or questions please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

On Friday we received information from the Ministry of Education about a potential measles outbreak. This week Pauline will be ensuring that our immunisation records are up to date and accurate. If there was a measles case within the school we would be advised on our next steps by the Public Health Department.

Noho ora mai

Maree





Students at the Marine Farm Maintenance Ltd site learning about Green Lip mussels and Aquaculture

Students at the Sounds Air site learning about flying planes.



Primary News



Greetings everyone.

Our board of events in the staffroom still looks full as we run-down to the end of the term. In primary we have Matariki to look forward to this week and a visit from the Life Education Mobile classroom to complete things at the end of next week. They are coming on Thursday and Friday. This is part of our Health curriculum and is always welcomed by the students and teachers.

The year 6,7 and 8's visited Te Hora Marae last Thursday for a unique experience with all the other students of this age group from our cluster schools. Thanks to everyone involved, including Renee for making our part of the meal we donated and Mr Davies for some great washing up of all the dishes!

On Wednesday, Mr Briasco has entered us in the Jumping June skipping activities to help raise funds for the National Heart Foundation. Wednesday is the morning we show off our skipping skills. Each child has their own rope and these can come home in the holidays. Encouraging more skipping is great exercise for fitness.

Running over the holidays would be great too when the kids need to get outside. Pelorus Cross Country is the first Friday back in the third term.

We are going to trial some 'whanau' rooms in the early mornings to keep our students warm and safe. This is mainly for students who have parents as teaching staff, who need to be in briefings and earlier meetings. Buses arrive between 8.20 and 8.30am and as we do not have other staff on duty it would be good if your own child/ren arrived at school about this time also and not too much earlier. Children will be supervised by older students, who can come quickly to the staff room for further support if needed.

I look forward to seeing some of you on Thursday, for our Matariki celebrations. In the afternoon there is a

Kī o rahi challenge between students and staff, with a brand new trophy to be awarded. Come along and show your support.

Regards, Karen Davies

RVAS is limiting the printing of the Newsletter paper issues.

If you still require the paper copy please contact the school office office@rai.school.nz | 03 571 6016



Primary News







Kia ora,

We are almost there, just a few more days to tick off then we all (hopefully) will get a well earned rest

Many thanks to the community who supported our hauora day, it was a huge success and the students all gained invaluable knowledge and skills which I am sure have already come to fruition. We are already looking at next year's event and are keen to make it even bigger and brighter (and hopefully open it up to all of the school community).

Last Monday also saw the secondary school teachers (and Ms Massey) go on a road-trip to Reefton where we got to learn all about "the Science of Learning" and meet up with other Area School colleagues to share ideas, resources and get some invaluable moderation done.

The upcoming weeks are still filled to the brim. Reports will be out soon (Secondary reports will be coming home with your children), and next Tuesday 2nd we will be hosting our Parent teacher Conferences for students in Years 7 to 13. Booking can be made through skool-loop. If you have issues accessing this feel free to contact the office or myself (dan.waldie@rai.school.nz). Thursday will see our whole school matariki festival and we are all looking forward to harakeke

weaving, some mindfulness activities as well as inter house haka and Ki-o-Rahi.

Also if you are keen to play on Thursday in a senior students vs community game of Ki-o-Rahi please let us know.

nga mihi nui

Dan Waldie Head of Secondary.







Thank You to Shane, Mrs Stuart, Mrs Ballantyne, Mrs Brooke-Watt for helping us run a successful Junior Dance Event to help us gain credits for NCEA

Skyla Ballantyne, Kayla Gardiner, Kaytie Mulholland and Courtney Thorpe.



Parent - Teacher - Student Conferences for Years 7-13 are to be held on Tuesday 2nd July 2024 in the library from 3.15pm -6.30pm.

Jump onto the Skool Loop app and select your school, teacher and times



Thank you!

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you very much to the following organisations and individuals for their financial support of Keegan and Tessa, our two RVAS students heading to Te Awamutu in July for the National Area Schools Sports Tournament:

Keep Fit Havelock Mount Ronga Ltd. Vercoe Insurance C Somerville K Somerville J Sorensen (Ms S!) Lions Club Tauranga



Thank you also to those sponsors who wish to remain anonymous. We really appreciate your support!

Eli Briasco Secondary SENCO, English and Physical Education Teacher Rai Valley Area School



RVAS Navy Soft Shell Jackets In Stock now \$70 each



So far our kids have raised a whopping \$2217 for the Heart Foundation as part of Jumping June! Thank you to everyone in the community who has donated. It has also been fantastic to see so many of our ākonga practising their skipping at morning tea and lunchtime this month.

We will be having a short Jumping June Event, involving Years 1-10, this Wednesday 26 June at 11.25am. Parents, whānau and caregivers are welcome to come along and skip with us!

Eli Briasco Secondary SENCO, English and Physical Education Teacher



<u>Hauora Health Day</u>





















Term 2 has been a fun filled, creative and competitive time in Food Technology, for both Year 9s and Year 10s.

In week 8, the Year 9s competed in a Masterchef competition, where each group had 80 minutes to prepare, cook and plate up two dishes - one main and one dessert. They had class time in week 7 to create, plan and organise their recipes and necessary ingredients, so each group could maximise their time cooking during the competition. It was great to observe everyone enjoying this competition (albeit a bit stressful with a ticking clock!) and demonstrating their skills in the kitchen.. All four groups successfully plated up their two dishes for the guest judges to taste test, mark and give verbal feedback. Thank You to our judges who joined me: Haley Kiddey, Theresa Neal and Tessa Zillwood. Results will be revealed in week 10, but you can all be proud of your efforts!



For the majority of this term, the Year 10s have been competing in a My Kitchen Rules competition. With a partner, they had to select a specific culture for their theme (Australian, New Zealand, Asian, Mexican were the chosen themes) and bring their 'theme to life' on their designated cooking week. Each pair had time to plan, prepare, shop online for their ingredients within a certain budget, create a visual poster on their cultural theme and cook their two dishes (they could choose either an entree or a dessert, alongside a main). Their last task was to plate up their dishes for everyone in the class to taste, mark and give feedback on their efforts. A special thanks to our guest judge each week, Renee, we really enjoyed having you join in the fun! Results will also be revealed in week 10.

Our Year 9s and 10s also prepared morning tea and afternoon tea for the Hauora Health Day in week 6. The students cooked and baked some of the dishes we have been making in Food Technology this term and we plated it up for all to enjoy. I know the delicious spread was appreciated by the staff and community. Thank you again for your efforts, Year 9s and 10s.

Year 10 MKR

Sarah Hayman Food Technology Teacher









New Zealand theme - Jackson Jenner & Cooper Knight





Asian theme - Ana Harrison







Australian theme - Tessa Zillwood & Brooke Dow

Mexican theme - Bella Hickson & Rhyder Dearman (cooking in week 9)

School Wide News





Student Absentee / Buses / After School Arrangements /
Students arrive late / Parent deliver or collect students - May 2024

Could you please notify Pauline, when required as soon as possible, at the school office regarding above issues with a reason, either by phone (03 5716 016) and leave a message or by email (office@rai.school.nz) or personally to the office or by a written note (boomerang book).

This allows up-to-date recorded information for emergencies.

If students are late at school or leaving during school hours: Parents need to sign in or out at the school office.

Thank you in advance.

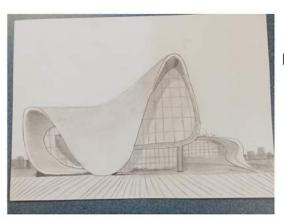


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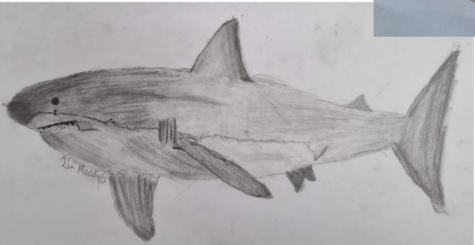


Up & Coming Key School Dates for 2024

Wednesday 26th June	T2W9	Jumping June Skip Off
Thursday 27th June	T2W9	RVAS Matariki Celebration
Friday 28th June	T2W9	Matariki - NO SCHOOL
Wednesday 3rd July	T2W10	Primary School Dance 5-7pm
Thursday/Friday 4th-5th July	T2W10	Life Education Bus onsite
Friday 5th July	T2W10	Term 2 ENDS
Monday 22nd July	T3W1	TERM 3 BEGINS - Whole school 8.45am
Friday 27th September		Term 3 ENDS
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Monday 14th October		TERM 4 BEGINS - Whole school 8.45am
Monday 14th October Monday 28th October	T4W3	
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Monday 28th October		TERM 4 BEGINS - Whole school 8.45am Labour Day



By Leah Jones



Shark by Maddy Sharpe



Shells by Sophia Wiesner





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- Up to 80% of the cost of an efficient heater in the main living area.

Grants for heaters are capped at \$3,000. Eligibility and Conditions apply.









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- Visit warmerkiwihomes.govt.nz or free phone 0800 749 782 to find out if you are eligible and for more information.
- A service provider will visit your home to check whether you need insulation and a heater.
- If everything is approved, arrange a day and time to have insulation or a heater installed.



For help through the process, contact the service provider below



You can also free phone 0800 749 782 or visit warmerkiwihomes.govt.nz



You may be eligible if you

own your own home and:

· live in a lower-income area

· have a Community Services Card

· your home was built before 2008.

Te Käwanatanga o Aotearoa New Zeeland Government

August 2023 / EEC0502

Kiwi Can News





Resilience Taikaha

Means coping with challenges and bouncing back.

THE KIWI CAN CORNER



Resilience / Taikaha

In Kiwi Can we're learning more about ways to cope with challenges – including when and how to ask for help. With our older tamariki we are also exploring strategies that help us deal with challenges that may affect our peers.

Some conversation starters for this week:

- Can you think of a time that you had to ask for help? What was the challenge? Who did you ask? How did you feel?
- Who are some good people for you to turn to if you need help with a challenge – in class? In the playground? At home? At a party? Up town?
- How did you help someone with a challenge today?
- What are some challenges we could face at school that could affect our friendships? How can we respond to those challenges?
- Do you know anyone you admire that has faced a big challenge? (It could be a book character or in real life). How did they face their challenge?





Resilience Taikaha

Means coping with challenges and bouncing back.

THE KIWI CAN CORNER



Resilience / Taikaha

Life is full of challenges, so how can we help prepare our children to take on those challenges and succeed? In Kiwi Can we're learning more about **dealing with challenges** – starting with identifying the sorts of challenges that might affect us or other people.

Some ideas to discuss at home...

- Challenges are a normal part of life faced by everyone. What challenges do you imagine a teacher might face? Or a parent?
- What is something you found challenging at school this week? When you find something challenging or hard, what can you do?
- What do you say to yourself when things don't go right, or you make a mistake?
- Should people make their children have easy lives with few challenges or make sure their children face challenges? Why?
- What kind of challenge would you like to try?



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YEARS 3-4

9th JULY

YEARS 5-6

16th & 17th JULY

YEARS 7-8

10TH JULY

Fun netball activities to suit all skill levels

COST: \$25 per child per day

TIME: 10:00am - 2:00pm

LOCATION: Lansdowne Park (netball courts)

REGISTRATIONS THROUGH SPORTY

https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/299026

PLEASE BRING LUNCH, WATER BOTTLE, SUITABLE CLOTHING, SHOES AND A SMILE





We are excited to announce that Whakatū Girls Rugby Trust is holding one of our fun camps in Blenheim over the upcoming school holidays! We'd love to invite students from your kura to join us. These holiday camps are for girls who currently play rugby and for those that may be keen to give it a go in a safe environment.

WGRT Girls Rugby Camp
July 8-9, 9:00-3:00 each day
Marlborough Girls College
\$60.00



Registration in a WGRT Camp includes morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea, along with some awesome WGRT gear! All levels of players welcome, ages 8-18.

Cost will not be a barrier to participate in our WGRT Camps. We do have scholarships available. Please email us to enquire about a scholarship on admin@whakatugirlsrugbytrust.org.nz.

□Use this link to register today!

https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/whakatu-girls-rugby-trust-girls-rugby-camp-blenheim-registration-922711584187

Kia Ora,

My name is Tahlia Armstrong and I am excited to be starting up in home care here in Rai Valley!

I currently have spaces available from Tuesday to Friday. Let me know if I can help. Give me a call, 0221367920.









Marlborough Roads









BRIDGE CLOSURE

We're working in your area

What: Daltons Bridge Abutment Repairs

Where: Daltons Bridge, at the western end of Kaiuma Bay Road

When: From Monday 1 July 2024 for a period of approximately six weeks.

This closure will be in place for 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Contact: Marlborough Roads Recovery Team 03 579 4253

Site Supervisor: Sam Terris 027 312 0000

Zone Manager: Anthony MacKay 027 555 9434

Details: From **Monday 1 July** Dalton's Bridge will be **closed to all traffic** to allow for bridge abutment repairs.

This closure will be in place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for approximately six weeks. A detour will be in place via Te Hoiere Road during this closure.

Please note Daltons Bridge is **currently closed to heavy vehicles over 3500kg**. A detour via Te Hoiere Road is in place for all heavy traffic.

Thank you for your patience as we undertake these important works.



Vetlife

Animal Health Partners

Vetlife is a large, privately owned, veterinary practice with 26 branches throughout the South Island. Vetlife Rai Valley is a new retail store and will offer a full range of veterinary retail products to the surrounding community for both production and companion animals. We currently have an opportunity for a Retail Manager to join our soon to be opened retail store in the Rai Valley.

The successful applicant will have excellent customer service skills with the ability to build relationships and grow a developing business and will be an integral part of the wider Vetlife team, working to provide retail support to the surrounding community.

This is a part time position with some flexibility.

About the role:

This is a new retail store, and the successful applicant will have the opportunity to be part of developing a Vetlife presence and successful retail outlet in the Rai Valley whilst working closely with the Territory manager to develop relationships with our production animal clients, providing support and product for their farming requirements.

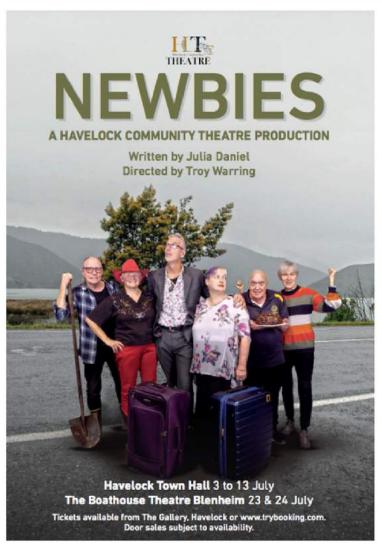
- Kev role in growing the store
- On farm deliveries/visits
- Provide retail support to clients
- Store management including, product displays, data entry and processing payments, inventory, H&S

Key attributes for this position are:

- Veterinary clinic or production animal background would be an advantage combined with sound product knowledge
- A friendly confident personality combined with an excellent telephone manner
- Ability to communicate and build relationships with our valued client base, the local community, and colleagues
- Confident with IT systems
- An eagerness to learn and an ability to prioritise and adapt quickly to change

If you would like to know more about this opportunity, please email rachel.inch@vetlife.co.nz or phone Rachel Inch 027 233 7378





Havelock Community Theatre presents...

Newbies

In this locally-written comedy, Aucklanders Jasmine & Kurt find themselves accidentally living in Havelock. How did that happen?

But more importantly, how soon can they leave?

Throw some quirky neighbours into the mix, along with some surprise visitors, and things quickly go from bad to worse.

Havelock Town Hall

Wed 3rd - Sat 6th July, 7:30pm Sunday 7th July, 2:00pm Thurs 11th - Sat 13th July, 7:30pm

Tickets available from The Gallery Havelock & www.trybooking.com Door sales subject to availability

The Boathouse Theatre, Blenheim

Tues 23rd & Wed 24th July, 7:30pm

Tickets available from www.trybooking.com Door sales subject to availability

Tickets: \$20 adults, \$15 seniors/students, \$10 children









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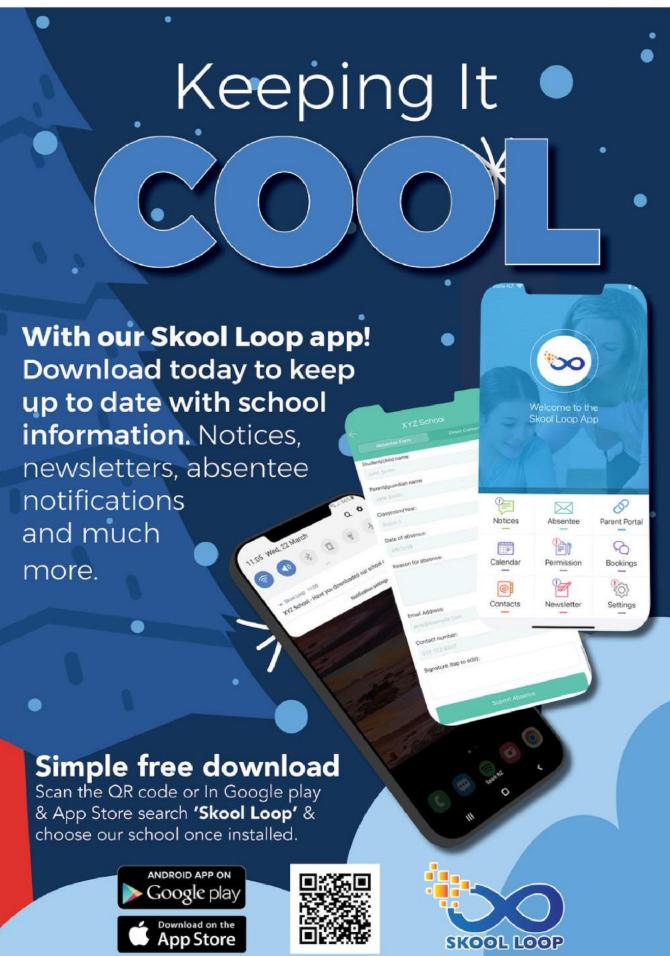
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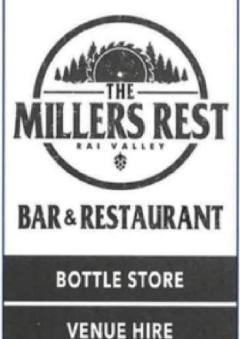
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