



Rai Valley Area School

Newsletter



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Newsletter

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Tumuaki's Report



Kia ora Koutou

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of a very busy term. It was a real pleasure to attend our school production last week. Our students worked really hard and the performance was excellent. Thank you to the teachers concerned, Mrs Davies and Sam Baxter for all your hard work.

Very early on Monday morning the Year 11-13 students left Rai to catch the ferry to Wellington for a 3 day trip. Every 2 years our seniors do a city camp to look at tertiary opportunities and other highlights as well as experiencing a city environment. Thanks to Mr Waldie, Ms van Hilst and Mr MacDonald for supporting this.

Later on Monday morning Mrs Massey and Nigel Couper headed off for the annual Maud Island trip with mainly year 6 students. They had a great trip and were very lucky to have the bug man, Ruud Kleinpaste, on the island to show them some of the local bugs.

This Year's Pet Day will be in Week 2. Thank you in advance to our community members for their support - without your help we would not be able to run this event.

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Our People:

Principal: Maree Furness

Deputy Principal: Dan Waldie

Assistant Principal: Karen Davies

Secondary Senco: Eli Briasco

Primary Senco: Amy Waldie

Learning Support Coordinator:
Theresa Shepherd

Executive Officer: Christine McDonald

Receptionist: Pauline Agnew

Caretaker: Shane Dearman

Tumuaki's Report continued

The forecast looks wet for the first week of the holidays, so it would be a great opportunity for students to work on Pet Day entries.

On Thursday night we had our first meeting of the new Board of Trustees. The Board welcomed Jessica Dunbar and Purity Ready as new members. Sophie Harrison has been elected as the Student Trustee and Jess Massey the Staff Trustee. Jamie Knight was elected to the Chair.

There are 2 upcoming teacher only days in term 4. The year's 1-8 students will have a Teacher Only Day on Friday 28th November to focus on the new mathematics curriculum, while the year 9 and 10's are at camp. The Year 9 and 10 Teacher Only Day will be the 10th December and this will be a day where secondary teachers in Nelson Marlborough get together to work on the new Curriculum.

Summer sport is being organised for term 4. This year we are going to have 4 touch teams and a volleyball team. There will also be mini tournaments that our students can participate in term 4.

Recently, you will have read about various industrial actions by teachers and principals. To date this has not included teachers who are covered by the Area Schools contract. However it is likely that Area School members will be included in future industrial action. You will always have a minimum of 3 days notice of industrial action and not all our teachers are union members so there will be staff available to offer supervision if required.

During the holidays access to the school grounds will be restricted to the library entrance and the swimming pool entry. There is planned asbestos removal in the old boiler shed so you will be unable to access school through the car park area. I have attached a separate sheet in this newsletter.

I want to wish the five students who are away on the Spirit of New Zealand a great sailing. The school has been very lucky to have been given sponsorship covering the cost of the voyage. This is a wonderful opportunity and I hope you have a wonderful voyage. Sail well, Elin Kiddey, Leah Jones, Gareth Woodley, Cody Aldridge and Oliver Hope.

Finally, congratulations to Aimee Ballantyne who has been offered a full time position at St Mary's Blenheim. We wish her well in the next step of her professional journey.

Nga mihi nui
Maree

BOOKFAIR DRESS UP DAY



Thank you to all who supported our Scholastic book fair for 2026. Due to lack of interest though we are going to push out to every second year.

Thank you

Secondary News

Kia ora,

Term 3 has finally decided that enough is enough and has moved on its way. Term 4 has yet to emerge from its yearly slumber, but there are definitely signs it is stirring and preparing to open its academic eyes in anticipation of what is to come.

Depending on when this newsletter is published, the seniors may still be on camp, returning from camp, or already back—safe, (hopefully) exhausted, and thoroughly “big-citied out”. If all has gone to plan, we have been to Weta Workshop, strolled around the precincts of Wellington, sampled what university life is like, shared a pizza or two, worked out who is a werewolf, and visited Te Papa.

The end of Term 3 for our students in Years 11–13 is a significant milestone (for our year 13s even more so), as it signals the closing—for most—of their internal assessments (work assessed in class that contributes to NCEA credits). The focus now shifts to externals (exams) and the rigours and challenges these assessments will bring.

Traditionally, students in Years 11–13 go on “exam” or “study” leave at the end of Week 4. This is when they will be revising madly, emailing teachers for last-minute guidance and advice, and memorising the exam timetable to ensure they know the when and where of their exams. It is important to note that exam leave is not a guarantee, nor is it a “break”. It is an invaluable time for students to consolidate their learning.

To be signed off for exam leave, students must have met several criteria. The most significant is that Ms Furness and I have had a conversation with them about the number of credits they have already earned. Students will not be signed off unless they have secured at least 60 credits at their year level (NCEA Level 1, 2, or 3). Those who are short will be expected to remain at school, completing any remaining assessments contributing to their success, and of course attending their external examinations. If you require clarification, or if your child is unsure, please feel free to contact me—I will be glad to provide guidance.

A number of students have also just completed the second round of CAAs (Common Assessment Activities). The results are expected to be published within the next few weeks. I am sure that further on in the newsletter there will be details about the wonderful show Pirates and Mermaids, which was performed so spectacularly last week. It was fantastic to see so many of you in attendance, but more importantly, it was a privilege to see our students shine so brilliantly on stage. Kā rawe to all involved.

On that note—stay safe, thank you once again for your support, and enjoy the beautiful spring days.

CONGRATULATIONS



Kayden Knight for completing 4 weeks of Uniformed Services this year at Whenua Iti. This covered activities with Fire, Police, Paramedics and the Defense Forces. Congratulations Kayden



Congratulations to Bill Partridge for coming 4th in the Tasman Secondary Schools MX Champs for 2025 held in Canvastown on Friday 12th September.

Secondary News : Wellington Camp



Primary News

Well, what a great way to end the term for Primary students. The production of 'Pirates vs Mermaids' was a hit. So much hard work by everyone involved, so a big thank you to you all.

Ten students have gone to Maud Island for their overnight conservation and boating experience, with Mrs Massey. As I write this on Monday morning, they are surely getting great weather too. I hope they all enjoy the experience which is a unique opportunity for Year 6 students in our cluster of schools. Hopefully, there will be some great photos to follow, also.

The week will pan-out as normal and there will be a whole school assembly on Thursday to finish the term. School as normal on Friday, our last day of the term. At the beginning of term 4 we will be busy with Pet Day entries for the indoor events that will be on Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16th October.

School starts again on Monday 6th October and the primary classes will be getting their Pet Day work and activities ready. Some of the entries on the schedule can be done in the term break time. Please keep pet entries coming in to Renee or myself as soon as possible.

Have a great holiday everyone. I hope it is restful with lots of fine weather.

Karen Davies
Head of Primary Syndicate.

CAUGHT BEING GOOD

Congratulations to these students for getting CAUGHT BEING GOOD, we hope you enjoy your Duffy book prizes. And to the rest of the primary students we hope you enjoy your choices of books with THANKS TO DUFFY BOOKS IN HOMES



Conrad Horton Year 4, Khloe Dunbar Year 4, Jake Ballantyne Year 4, Jack Burrow Year 5, Harley Partridge Year 3, Harriet Leov Year 6, Indie Ballantyne Year 6, Dawn Ready Year 6

Louie Thompson Year 1, Mia Dunbar Year 1, Anna Alvarez Year 2, Joy Harrison Year 2, Madison Hansen Year 2, Andrew Ready Year 2, Haven Marshall Year 1, Jack Massey Year 1, Dulmeth Uhanovitge Year 1



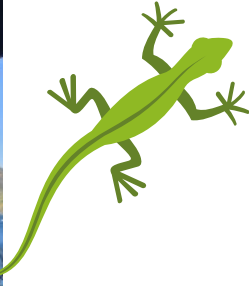
PRODUCTION 2025 PIRATES VS MERMAIDS



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MAUD ISLAND



10 Students travelled to Maud Island this week as part of our annual experience for Year 6 students. This year we were treated to fantastic weather and amazing company from Richard de Hamil, Miranda and Dan from DoC and New Zealand's favourite bug man, Ruud Kleinpaste!

We walked big hills, explored the bush and World War II structures, held wētā and gecko, played games and jumped off the jetty. Richard taught us all about creatures on the rocky shore, while Ruud inspired us with fascinating facts about our native insects.

We would like to say a big thank you to Nigel Couper for coming along with us this year, as well as Miranda, Dan, Richard, Ruud for making our trip such a success!





Notice of Asbestos Removal Work

To Whom It May Concern,

Scope Group, a licensed Asbestos Removalist (WorkSafe Class A Licence: number **RA16080091** will be undertaking removal work of some Asbestos Containing Materials (ACMs) from Rai Valley School.

This removal work will be conducted between the hours of 7AM to 7PM on 22 September 2025 and is expected to finish by 03 October 2025.

WorkSafe NZ was notified on 4 September 2025 that this licensed asbestos removal work is to be undertaken.

Rai Valley School management and board of trustees have been consulted about the nature and timing of this work, together with the safety measures to be used.

The following safety measures will be put in place and maintained for the duration of this project:

- Signs, barriers and/or temporary fencing will be installed.
- PVA solution or water will be applied to asbestos containing materials to prevent airborne asbestos fibres dust (as required).
- Asbestos containing materials will not be broken, where possible.
- Plastic will be used to cover horizontal surfaces and surrounds.
- Asbestos containing material will be wrapped on site and disposed of at an approved tip site
- Air monitoring at the work site boundary will be place for the duration of the work. If asbestos fibres above the allowable safe limit are detected, work will cease immediately, and corrective measures applied
- An independent party will carry out an inspection of the site on completion of the work, and issue a clearance certificate.

The Ministry of Education website has further information about the management of asbestos and procedures to ensure the safety of all involved in or affected by the work, at the school and community. This can be found on: www.education.govt.nz/school/property-and-transport/health-and-safety-management/asbestos

Additional information about asbestos removal and/or Asbestos Removal Licences can be found on WorkSafe NZ's website on www.worksafe.govt.nz/topic-and-industry/asbestos or by phoning **0800 030 040 (24 hours)**.

If you have any questions or concerns about this removal work, please feel to contact Advanced Environmental Services on **0800 110 182**.

Signed (School Principal or Board Chair)



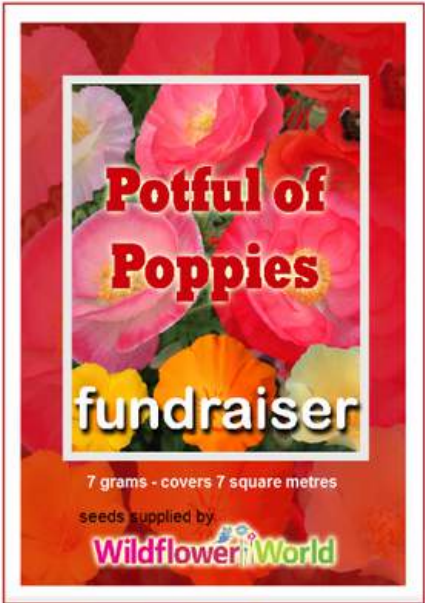
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Whole School Fundraiser

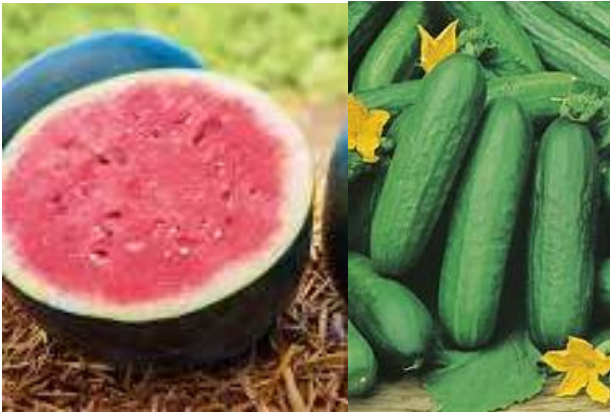
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Watermelon & Cucumber Twin Pack



Whole School Fundraiser

WildflowerWorld SPRING SEED FUNDRAISER

Help us grow by beautifying your garden

Fund Raising for RAI VALLEY AREA SCHOOL STUDENTS

Here is a great opportunity to purchase seeds to show your support. Seeds are easy to sow, fun to grow and will reward you with healthy vegies and gorgeous flowers.

We have some great choices - why not try them all. Prices are less than normal retail and our organisation will make 40% profit on all sales. Growing information is included on each packet of seeds.

To order please return this form with your payment no later than **8TH OCTOBER 2025**

Delivery will be on or after **20TH OCTOBER 2025**

Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

All enquiries to **RENEE JOPE** renee@rai.school.nz 0277750083

Seed Order Form 2025

Name: _____
Address: _____
Ph: _____



Seed Type	Price	Number	Total
Wildflower Bee Friendly Mix – 10 grams <small>Wildflower seeds, the ultimate in colourful low maintenance gardening, providing essential nutrition for bees and other pollinating insects. Covers 10m². Hgt: 20-60 cm.</small>	\$9.50		
Summer Salad Mix – 1000 Seeds <small>Eat Healthy and save money with our <u>Summer</u> salad. Inside you will find individual packs of Lettuce, Spring Onions and Radish to help bring your summer salads to life</small>	\$8.50		
My First Flower Garden – 7 grams <small>This easy-care wildflower seed mix is great for the first-time gardener, full of low maintenance easy care varieties. It's so easy! The perfect children's mix. Covers 7m²</small>	\$7.70		
Watermelon & Cucumber Twin Pack – 20 Seeds of each <small>Sugar Baby Watermelon: Reap the rewards in summer with a mouth-watering treat of sweet, bright red juicy flesh. Lebanese Cucumber: An excellent, crisp, sweet tasting variety</small>	\$8.20		
Micro Greens – 10 grams <small>'Micro Greens' is a term used for vegetables that are harvested at small seedling stage. They are a nutritious and tasty addition to salads. They can be grown any time of year, even inside during the winter.</small>	\$7.70		
Sweet Pea – Summer Rainbow Mix – 20 seeds <small>A colourful and fragrant mix of climbing sweet peas. Plant against a fence or trellis. Height up to 2 metres.</small>	\$8.40		
Sunflowers – 20 seeds <small>Sunflowers are a great way to add colour to your garden, and they're easy to grow and care for.</small>	\$5.50		
Potful of Poppies – 7 grams <small>A combination of different types of poppies that can be grown together to give an amazing colourful and easy to grow display. Three wildflower species have also been included to harmonise and blend. Height 40-80cm. Covers 7m²</small>	\$7.70		
GRAND TOTAL			\$



Please make payment to: **RAI VALLEY AREA SCHOOL 12-3165-0348666-000 Ref: SEEDS**

Whole School News

Up & Coming Key School Dates for 2025/2026

Friday 19th September	T3 W10	Last day Term 3
Monday 6th October	T4 W1	First day Term 4
Wednesday 15th October	T4 W2	Petday Indoor
Thursday 16th October	T4 W2	Petday Outdoor
Friday 17th October	T4 W2	TRADES Graduation - NMIT Nelson
Friday 17th October	T4 W2	Duke of Ed Adventure
Monday 27th October	T4 W4	LABOUR DAY - NO SCHOOL
Friday 31st October	T4 W4	Last day for Years 11-13 who have their credits and are doing exams
Monday 3rd November	T4 W5	MARLBOROUGH - NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 4th November	T4 W5	NZQA NCEA Exams begin
Monday 24th - Friday 28th November	T4 W8	Year 9/10 Camp Lake Rotoiti
Friday 28th November	T4 W8	TEACHER ONLY DAY Years 1-8
Tuesday 2nd - Thursday 4th December	T4 W9	Duke of Edinburgh camp
Friday 5th December	T4 W9	Top Team - Pelorus Cluster
Wednesday 10th December	T4 W10	TEACHER ONLY DY Years 9 & 10
Thursday 11th December	T4 W10	Prizegiving
Friday 12th December	T4 W10	Last day Term 4 2025
Thursday 29th January		TEACHER ONLY DAY
Friday 30th January		TEACHER ONLY DAY
Monday 2nd February 2026	T1 W1	First day Term 1 2026
Wednesday 25th - Friday 27th February	T1 W4	Year 5-8 Camp @ Curious Cove
Thursday 2nd April 2026		Last day Term 1 2026
Monday 20th April 2026		First day Term 2
Friday 3rd July 2026		Last day Term 2
Monday 20th July 2026		First day Term 3
Friday 25th September 2026		Last day Term 3
Monday 12th October 2026		First day Term 4
Friday 11th December 2026		Last day Term 4 2026

Whole School News

Nelson Football Sessions

Throughout terms 2 and 3, the primary syndicate have had the opportunity to participate in fortnightly football sessions with Alberto and Nico, from Nelson Football. These sessions have included skill work and game play. Thanks to Alberto and Nico for their energy and efforts - the classes have really enjoyed their football experiences.

Mrs Linton.



OKIWI BAY MARKET

At the Okiwi Bay Community Centre

CASH ONLY PLEASE



SUNDAY
26 OCT
LABOUR WEEKEND 2025

**10AM
-2PM**

ART & CRAFTS HOMEMADE GIFTS
BAKING & BBQ PRE-LOVED GOODS
PLANTS & VEGES HEALTH PRODUCTS

Limited seller's stalls available \$10. Children sellers no charge.
To book a stall - contact Liz 027 376 8805 elizsmith@xtra.co.nz

AGM

PELORUS AREA HEALTH TRUST


The Trust promotes, protects and fosters Primary Healthcare within the Pelorus Area.


Everyone is Welcome to Attend!!
Morning tea, chat & AGM.
We hope to see you there.

The agenda will be available
please email for a copy
secretary@pelorusareahealthtrust.co.nz

www.pelorusareahealthtrust.co.nz

 **Date**
Saturday 27th September

 **Time**
1030am Morning Tea & Chat
11am AGM Commences

 **PAHT Community Lounge**
Main Rd, Havelock



Skills, Sports & Adventures



Did you know that Rai Valley Area School is now officially part of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award? This is an exciting opportunity for participants to challenge themselves, develop new skills, and give back to their community. This Award is open to all individuals aged 14 to 25.

This year, we have 14 participants:



Bronze Award: Gareth, Elin, Erin, Haley, Amy, Leah, Chevonne, Georgie, and Cody
Silver Award: Uriah, Bella, Cooper, and Rhyder

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award at Rai Valley Area School

Our students are making great progress in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. They're giving back to the community through activities like teaching ball skills and fundraising, staying active with sports such as volleyball, football, golf, and pickleball, and developing new skills from cooking and music to welding and Poi.

The Adventurous Journey is another highlight, with students working in teams to plan, navigate, and camp during multi-day expeditions. These experiences build confidence, resilience, teamwork, and a sense of achievement while creating lifelong memories.

We look forward to sharing updates on how the participants progress through their Duke of Edinburgh's Award journey.

Theresa Shepherd
Duke of Edinburgh's Award Leader
Rai Valley Area School



Whole School News

Student Absence / Buses / After School Arrangements / Students arrive late / Parent deliver or collect students

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.

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. Pauline



Art By Vincent Wiesner

Safety for Students is important

Please be aware of vehicles at school and especially at these busy times of before and after school.

At the end of school, students need to wait within the school gate for the parent / caregiver to collect them. If it is raining, the students can stand on the veranda by the office or be inside the office.



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Screen Time and Brain Development – What Parents Should Know

Screen time in children, particularly during their early years, can have a significant impact on their brain development and behaviour. While some screen content can offer educational benefits, excessive or unsupervised screen time may negatively affect cognitive and social-emotional skills.

Babies and Toddlers (0–5 years):

Too much screen time at this age can slow down how children learn to talk and think. It can also make it harder for them to pay attention, manage their emotions, and solve simple problems. Children need real-world play and human interaction for healthy brain growth.

Preschoolers (3–5 years):

Lots of screen time at this age may affect parts of the brain that help children develop memory, empathy, and staying focused. They still learn best by doing things, not just watching.



Older Children and Teens:

As children grow, screen time becomes a bigger part of life—school, socialising, and entertainment often happen on devices. But too much screen time over time can impact how the brain develops, especially in areas that help with communication skills, managing emotions, relationships, and making decisions.

When screen use starts to take over daily life—interfering with sleep, physical activity, school, and family time—it can become a real problem. Some signs of unhealthy screen use include:

- Mood swings or aggression when devices are taken away
- Spending more time online than with real-life friends and family members
- Being exposed to violent or inappropriate content
- Skipping meals, activities, or homework to stay on a device

In New Zealand and around the world, more children and teens are showing signs of screen dependency—where they feel they can't cope without their devices. This can affect mental health, increase anxiety or loneliness, and lead to behavioural issues.

How Screen Time Affects Learning and Thinking

Focus and Attention:



When children are glued to screens, their brains get a lot of fast-moving input. This can make it harder for them to concentrate during quiet, slower-paced activities like reading or schoolwork.

Talking and Language Skills:



Face-to-face chats help children learn new words and how conversations work. If screen time replaces these interactions, children might take longer to develop language skills.

Thinking and Problem-Solving:



Children who spend lots of time on screens might struggle more with planning, self-control, and thinking creatively.

Empathy and Social Skills:



Children learn to read emotions and respond kindly by spending time with others. Too much solo screen time means fewer chances to build these important skills.

Behaviour and Mood:



Lots of screen time can sometimes lead to more tantrums, fussiness, or trouble managing big feelings—especially if screen time becomes a way to avoid boredom or tough emotions.

Community News



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SH6 Spooners – forestry storm recovery works

What's happening, where and when?

This is to let you know that removal of wind fallen trees adjacent to State Highway 6 Spooners Saddle will begin soon. To enable this work to be carried out safely, SH6 between Wai-iti Valley Road and North Road will be closed.

Where: SH6, Spooners Saddle, Kohatu
Start: Monday 22 September, 2025
Finish: Friday 10 October, 2025

Work hours: 7.30am to 5pm.
Work days: Monday to Friday. No work will take place on weekends.

What work will be taking place during this time?

Plantation trees blown down in the recent storm events will be removed by the forestry owner, OneFortyOne NZ Limited.

Post-storm event repairs will also be undertaken on State Highway 6 between Belgrove and Kohatu, including clearing drains and culverts, and repairing catch fences.

How will this affect my travel plans?

Monday to Friday, from 22 September to 10 October, SH6 Spooners Saddle between Wai-iti Valley Road and North Road **will be closed** between 7.30am and 5pm.

Road users will need to travel via the detour route. Please allow an additional 10 minutes to your travelling time.

Emergency services will always be accommodated.

Contacts

If you have any questions or concerns about the upcoming works, please contact Fulton Hogan: Steve Russell, ph: 03 547 9789.

If you would like to speak to someone while work is in progress, please contact OneFortyOne: Rob Woolley, ph: 027 275 0021.

All work is subject to weather and other unforeseen circumstances. In the event of unsuitable conditions, work will be rescheduled to the next suitable workday. For confirmation of planned work going ahead, road-users can visit www.journeys.nzta.govt.nz



WHITE ROAD RIDE A CYCLING CELEBRATION

Sunday 5 October from 10 am
Yealand's Winery, Reserve Road, Seddon

If you can ride a bike you can join the fun on the White Road in an event rewarding participation and achievement.

The White Road is suitable for all types of bikes. Each 8 km lap includes a couple of short climbs. The 40 km course has two laps to Cable Station Road. It has a tough hill and sections of rough gravel.

Full details and entries through the Cycling Marlborough website.



ALL AGES
ALL ABILITIES
ALL BIKES
(E bikes welcome)

START TIMES
40 km - 10:00
24 km - 10:00
16 km - 10:30
8 km - 10:30

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cyclingmarlborough.org.nz



Curious Cove

Idyllic Marlborough Sounds Holiday Venue

Curious Cove Holiday Camps – the next holidays are fast approaching but we still have some vacancies available for the following camps:

Sept Senior Camp (11 – 14 yrs) – Mon 22nd – Fri 26th Sept. Cost \$225
Oct Junior Camp (8 – 10 yrs) – Mon 29th Sept – Fri 3rd Oct. Cost \$225

Visit our website (www.curiouscove.org) for more information or to complete the online enrolment to secure your place.



Community News

Glamour, Gags & Gatsby - A roaring night to remember

Pelorus Community Preschool
presents
THE GREAT GATSBY AUCTION NIGHT

Saturday 4th October
Havelock Town Hall
\$80 for a 3 course meal,
show & auction
Limited tickets available

Doors open 6pm
Show begins 7pm
Cash Bar.. No BYO

Sponsor tables available
8 seats for \$850

Entertainment by..
World class illusionist & comedian **Brendan Dooley**

All proceeds go back to the Preschool for our Tamariki

Contact Danza 027 736 6686 or daniellec.friend@gmail.com
to book!

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QUIZ NIGHT FOR HAROLD

Get ready for a night of trivia and fun!
Gather your team and put your knowledge to the test with our entertaining quiz night with Quizmaster Tasha Knox & special guest **Harold the Giraffe**

- \$200 PER TABLE (UP TO 8 PER TABLE)
- CORPORATE TABLES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST
- PRIZES | SPOT PRIZES | SILENT AUCTION
- BRING CASH FOR MYSTERY BALLOONS & RAFFLES

FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER
WOODBOURNE TAVERN 7PM START
Help us raise much needed funds to continue our Healthy Harold programme in local schools - empowering young people to make positive choices

REGISTER YOUR TEAM!
EMAIL: ADMIN.MARLBOROUGH@LIFEEDTRUST.ORG.NZ
OR MESSAGE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE:
LIFE EDUCATION TRUST MARLBOROUGH

Children's Art Classes

Exploring Different Mediums through Character Illustration

Aimed at children aged 7-14 years, students will learn a range of character illustration techniques including creating personalities and capturing emotion, whilst exploring a range of mediums to make their illustrations come to life!

When
Tuesday, 3:30 - 4:30pm: Starting on Tuesday 7th October
or
Wednesday, 4 - 5pm: Starting on Wednesday 8th October

Where
The Marlborough Art Society,
204 High Street
Blenheim

Cost
\$200 for 9 weekly lessons

About the Teacher
Debbie Godsiff is an experienced primary school teacher with a background in art. She has worked on numerous commissions, murals and has more recently become a published children's book illustrator.

[@debbiegodsiff_artnz](https://www.instagram.com/debbiegodsiff_artnz)

Please note, class numbers are limited to 10 students

For more information or to enrol your child, please email:
themakespace101@gmail.com

WIN A

WHITE LOTUS HOLIDAY

LUXURY TRIP FOR 2 WORTH OVER \$25K

Return flights for 2 to Koh Samui, Thailand. Return NZ regional flights for 2. 6 nights at Four Seasons Hotel Koh Samui in a Serenity Pool Villa (Season 3 location). \$3K spending money. \$1K for spa treatments at Anantara Bophut Koh Samui
Plus great 2nd and 3rd prizes - see website for details!

TICKETS \$25. LIMITED TICKETS. SALES CLOSE 16TH SEPTEMBER

FOR MORE DETAILS AND TO PURCHASE TICKETS VISIT GALABID.COM/WHITELOTUS

Read T&Cs at galabid.com/whitelotus. Raffle run by Whansau and Friends of Clyde Quay School in support of Clyde Quay School and Emergency Hub. This raffle is not authorised by, endorsed by, promoted by H&O or The White Lotus, or run in connection with H&O or The White Lotus.

As a parent, watching your child struggle with an eating disorder can feel overwhelming and exhausting. I know this journey personally, both from lived experience and from supporting a loved one, and I also know that full recovery is possible.

Let's connect and arrange a free consultation today.

withloveed.com

👉 All entries are online this year, and schedules can be downloaded from our website:

The Show will be a one-day event on Saturday 8 November, 9am – 4pm. Along with competitions, families can enjoy live entertainment, trade sites, food and coffee stalls, and of course, the amusement area. Entry is just \$10 for adults, and children under 16 are FREE.

If you have any questions, please don't
hesitate to get in touch.

Marlborough A & P Association

ENTRIES NOW OPEN FOR:

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Community News



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