

RIVERHEAD SCHOOL CAMPS

As per school policy we undertake school wide camps every second year, with the exception of our Year 8 students who attend every year.

This Year School Camps are as follows:

- Year 7 & 8 – Motutapu 24th – 28th May – Approximately \$250 per child
- Year 5 & 6 – Shakespear Lodge Week 10 Term 3 – Approximately \$250 per child
- Year 3 & 4 – Zoo Night Safari 2nd & 3rd November – Approximately \$60 per child
- Years 1 & 2 – Kelly Tarlton Sleepover 1 group 10th November & 2nd group 11th November
Approximately \$50 per child

Please note that these prices are approximate prices only and will fluctuate depending on numbers/fundraising/bus & food costs.

Don't forget that the ladies in the office are more than happy to start up a payment scheme if you wish to make it easier for your budgeting, especially if you have more than one child to pay for.

YEAR 7 & 8 QUILT



Thanks to the couple of people who have brought material into the office for the Quilt our Year 7 & 8 students will be making. We still need lots more pastel coloured material, eg old pyjamas, clothing, material off cuts etc. We also need light coloured cotton/thread. The quilt will be raffled off early next year at our gala.

COMMUNITY NEWS

LOST!

Small Tortoiseshell Cat lost from Elliot Street – very loved cat for 15 years. Please check your garages or sheds in case she's locked in. Phone Ruth on 412 2311 or the school office on 412 9105.

RIVERHEAD NETBALL REGISTRATIONS

If your child is interested in playing netball this year club registrations will be held at the Riverhead Community courts on Thursday 4th March 3:30 – 4:30pm and Friday 5th March 5:00 – 7:00pm. If you are unable to attend a registration session you can register online at www.sportsground.co.nz/riverheadnetball no later than Friday 5th March. Fees this year will be: Years 1 – 3, \$70, Years 4 – 8 \$90. Payment must be received at the time of registration. All local players are welcome. Any queries please phone Heather on 412 6413.

BOOK FAIR

The Lions Club of Huapai/Kumeu are holding a Book Fair to raise funds for local community projects. Saturday 20th March from 9:00am – 3:00pm at the Kumeu Community Centre, Access Road, Kumeu. If you have any good unwanted books, CDs, DVDs, Video tapes or records you wish to donate please drop them off to Huapai Hardware, Shamrock Drive, Kumeu or Sunnyview Orchards 667 State Hwy, Huapai. Please – no magazines or Readers Digest Books.

Garage Sale / Boot Sale - good quality clothes, toys, nick knacks – something for everyone. Saturday 6th 8:30 am – 12:00 1335 Coatesville Riverhead Hwy. If you are interesting in coming along to sell your stuff from your boot then phone Lana on 4122091

All Star Cheerleaders is running Free American Style Cheerleading Classes in your area. Everyone is welcome no experience necessary. For more information call 0800 CHEERLEADER or www.allstarcheerleaders.co.nz



Ron Irwin is a resident of Riverhead and works out of the Harcourts Kumeu office. He is actively involved in supporting the community and is well qualified to assist anyone requiring the services of a local Real Estate consultant. **For professional and dependable advice call:**

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RIVERHEAD SCHOOL Newsletter



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WELCOME

Welcome to **Ryder, Dein** and their families who have joined our school community. The roll now stands at 254.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

“Our communities need great boards to help build great schools”

Nomination forms will be mailed out shortly so please give serious consideration to standing as we need 5 parent representatives to join the board. Being a member of the Board of Trustees is a great way to become more involved with your school and with your community. You can find further information on what is involved in being on the Board of a school at www.trustee-election.co.nz and click on “What is a trustee”. Alternatively you may view a copy of the papers at the school office

With the Board of Trustees elections coming up shortly we ask that you check that the school has your correct mailing details. Please call into the school office & check that your mailing details are current.

Ruth Hirst has been appointed as the Riverhead School Returning Officer so please direct any queries to her at the school office.

Nomination forms will be posted to all eligible voters by the 1st April 2010.

Nominations close at noon on the 23rd April 2010

We hope that you will give serious consideration to putting your name forward.

LEARNING DIRECTION MEETINGS

Thanks to all the parents who attended the Learning Direction meetings. We hope that you came away from meeting your child's teacher with a bit more understanding of what will be happening in your child's class this year. We know that the teachers came away knowing just that little bit more about your child and with more knowledge to enable them to bring out the best in them.

SCHOOL DONATIONS

Thank you to all those parents who have already paid the school donation. Although these are a voluntary donation, the money collected is much needed to supplement the Government Grant received to run the school each year. The money helps to provide equipment in the school not provided by or allocated for in the Ministry of Education budgets. All donations are tax deductible and a receipt is issued (slightly delayed at this time of year, but it will come home with your child over the next few weeks attached to your newsletter)

There is a 20% discount if paid in full by 31st March. Alternatively they may be paid by instalments each term.

This year the Board has set the donations at:

- \$140.....1 child (20% discount = \$112)
- \$180.....2 children (20% discount = \$144)
- \$210.....3 or more children (20% discount = \$168)

KEY DATES FOR TERM 1

Please note key dates on your calendar. Details of events are in the newsletter as the dates approach.

- Friday 5th March - Senior Swimming Sports
- Monday 15th March - Gala Meeting - 6:00 pm



Thursday 18 th March	-	Year 7 & 8 Zone Swimming Competition
Thursday 18 th March	-	American Hot Dog lunch
Friday 26 th March	-	Hearing & Vision Testing
Wednesday 31 st March	-	New Parents Afternoon Tea
Thursday 1 st April	-	Last day of Term 1 & 5 Week Rewards
Friday 2 nd April	-	Good Friday
Sunday 18 th April	-	School Pool Season ends



TERM 2

Monday 19 th April	-	Term 2 begins
Friday 23 rd April	-	Student Disco
Sunday 25 th April	-	Anzac Day
Monday 26 th April	-	Fonterra Science Roadshow
1 st May	-	Trivia Night
Friday 7 th May	-	Board of Trustees Elections voting closes
10 th – 14 th May	-	Book Week
Wednesday 12 th May	-	Year 7 & 8 Zone Soccer
Thursday 13 th May	-	Year 7 & 8 Zone Soccer
24 th – 28 th May	-	Year 7 & 8 Motutapu Camp
Friday 30 th June	-	Student Disco

PTA / FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

We would like to thank all of those who have put their name down on the register in the office as helpers, without you we would be unable to run our events SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. If you have any ideas please do not hesitate to contact any committee member to put your idea forward. These members are **Reena Wild, Vicky Waters, Greer McInally, Karen Wooler, Wendy A'bear, Kim van Zuilen, Fritha Taylor, Gaye Sanderson, and Dianne Cook** or call into the office and leave a message with our office ladies.


As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we are holding a meat raffle once a week with the raffle being drawn on Thursday afternoons. This is a quality meat pack and we wish to thank HUAPAI BUTCHERY for supplying this to us on a weekly basis. You can either fill in the notice sent home each week and send in the money to buy tickets either with the Pizza orders, sushi or subway orders or just on a piece of paper if you did not receive the notice, this in turn will be sent to the office and the lovely ladies will write out the tickets for us or you can call into the Office to purchase your tickets. We would like to thank the office ladies for their support. Last week's winner was **Kim van Zuilen** – BBQ at your house this weekend? From last week's raffle we raised \$60.

Please keep an eye out in the newsletter for up and coming events and support where possible.

We know that not all people can support every event but it would be fantastic if each one of you could get behind just one event and give it 100%.

We will be holding an **American Hot Dog** lunch on Thursday 18th March this term instead of a Disco, details to follow.

We will be holding two **Disco's** next term one on the 23rd April and the other on the 30th June. We will send out more detailed information at the end of the term 1.

It is also  **entertainment** book time again - we are able to sell books prior to the launch and you receive an extra bonus sheet of vouchers to the value of \$140.00 for all books purchased prior to the end of March. The books are priced at \$65.00 with \$13.00 going to the school. To order and pay for your book and receive your bonus vouchers please see the ladies in the office. A copy of the bonus vouchers are attached.

Please remember all money raised goes to the school and is used for a variety of things. Items purchased in the past have been the resurfacing of the school pool (\$14,000), sound equipment for the

hall (\$8,000). So please get behind the PTA to help the school purchase items that unfortunately are not covered in the Governments Budget.

We would personally like to thank all those who have decided to join the committee and to all those who have put their names down as helpers without you all we would not have a PTA and a support group. - **Kim van Zuilen** - Chairperson

Trivia Night

Please don't forget about our **Trivia Night** on the 1st May - this is always a fun evening with lots of laughs. So start thinking about your table themes etc., as there will be some great prizes up for grabs. To date we have been *underwhelmed* with people rushing through the doors with offers of sponsorship and / or prizes for our Trivia Night. Please have a think about what you can do; perhaps you own a business, know of someone who owns a business or maybe your workplace is in a position to donate something. We are happy with anything – no matter how large or small and no matter what the dollar value. To make this night a success we really need your support.

HELLS PIZZA RECYCLE BAGS

Thanks to all those who have purchased the Hells Pizza Angel recycle bags. We still have some of these available at the school office at a cost of \$2 per bag. The proceeds will go towards the "Make a Wish" Foundation and to the Haiti Appeal Fund.

SCHOOL GALA

We will be holding a Gala meeting on Monday 15th March at 6:00 p.m. in the Staffroom. We hope to see lots of parents there to share with your ideas and enthusiasm to help resurrect our once very popular gala days.

SENIOR SWIMMING SPORTS

Senior Swimming sports will be held tomorrow, Friday 5th March from 9:00 am. We hope that lots of our families can be there to support the students.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The Year 7 & 8 students will be holding a sausage sizzle tomorrow, Friday 5th March to raise funds for their Motutapu Camp. Sausages are \$2 each. Bring along some money to buy a sausage for some extra sustenance for our swimmers and for cheering along the sidelines ☺

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS FOR FANTASTIC WORK

Angeline van Zuilen, Isabella Marinovich, Jack Short, Finn Linton, Sam Ashby, Maddy Cleveland – Awesome work this week which has earned you all a Principal's award! Keep up the fantastic work!

THANK YOU

We are most fortunate to have some great talent in the community, one of these being Lisa Allen (mother of Riverhead School student Maddy O'Malley). Lisa has donated a lovely children's book "Anzac Day Parade" which she illustrated. Thank you Lisa – you are a very talented lady.



SCHOOL COUNCILLORS FOR 2010 - update

Apologies to Temuera Kay for missing his name off the School Councillors list last week.

OUR BRILLIANT KIDS

Well done to the following students who have performed well in their chosen sport / activity over the weekend:

Gian Krauer	-	Athletics – 1 st Discus, 2 nd 50 metre sprint
Reece McComb	-	U8 T-Ball – Most Improved
Rebekah Frame	-	Athletics
Adam Kiernan-James	-	U8 T-Ball Player of the Day
Olivia Chandler	-	Good Listening at Gymnastics
Bliss Flynn-Rhind	-	Swimming – completed Kingfish level
Sarah Paterson	-	Mt Maunganui Ocean Athletics NZ Surf Life Saving champs participant
Amber Jarden	-	Athletics – 1 st 5yr girls 100metres (record broken), 50 metres 2 nd Place

