

TERM DATES 2012

Term 1 Wednesday 1st February – Thursday 5th April (Good Friday 6th April)

Term 2 Monday 23rd April – Friday 29th June

Term 3 Monday 16th July – Friday 28th September

Term 4 Monday 15th October – Thursday 20th December

COMMUNITY NEWS

Kumeu Country Market

This Sunday - 13th November. Kumeu Showgrounds. 10am-2pm. All weather market. Over 100 quality stalls + Children's entertainment. Don't miss it!!! Bring the whole family for a great day out. Visit

www.kumeucountrymarket.co.nz for more information.

HOUSE FOR SALE IN RIVERHEAD

2 story villa, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 lounges, carport, 9x7m garage, 809sq metre land. For more information phone Vicky on 4129898 or 0211761950 or Neil on 0275837505.

RIVERHEAD SCOUTS CASINO EVENING

Saturday 12th November at Riverhead Hall – Doors open 7:30pm, Tickets \$25. Phone Bruce on 4125114. Great prizes & lots of fun. BYO Drinks & nibbles.

RIVERHEAD SCOUTS BLUES NIGHT

Riverhead Tavern Sunday 4th December from 2:00-6:00pm. \$15 per ticket. All proceeds to the Riverhead Scouts



IT'S FREE AND IT'S ALL GOOD! Kumeu Dental would like to remind all parents/guardians of year 8 students that they will need to enrol to be eligible to receive free dental care at our surgery until their 18th birthday. For more information or to **ENROL**, please call Kumeu Dental on **4129507**.

GIRL GUIDES - 2012 Registration Day for new and existing members at Huapai School on Tuesday evening, 14th February 2012 from 6pm to 8pm. Bring the family, a picnic tea and your togs. Pippins (aged 5 & 6yrs.) meet on Monday evening from 4pm to 5pm. Brownies (aged 7 to 9 ½ yrs. meet on Monday evening from 5.30pm to 7pm. Guides (aged 9 ½ yrs to year 9) meet Tuesday evenings from 6pm – 8pm. All groups meet in St Chad's Church, Oraha Rd, Huapai.

WORK FROM HOME

Interested in earning money, having fun, working your own hours from home? With a team to support, train and coach you, this is an awesome opportunity in the beauty industry.. Start earning today! Call Karen Oates on 021 486 027 or 4126007.



Local identity Ron Irwin – long time resident in Riverhead, and Marg Collins work as a team out of the high profile Harcourts, Kumeu office. Both are hugely experienced to assist with your Real Estate needs whether selling or buying in Riverhead and surrounding areas. For professional and pro-active advice call Ron or Mara

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RIVERHEAD SCHOOL Newsletter



6:00pm TONIGHT
FINALE

Alice in Wonderland
Door sales available

Week 3 Term 4 2011
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Phone 412 9105

www.riverhead.school.nz

WELCOME

This week we give a warm Riverhead School welcome to Rongakahira who has joined our school community. Our roll now stands at 288.

SPELLATHON

Spellathon Day is only a week away! We hear that lots of students are busy both learning their spelling words and getting sponsors. We are really aspiring to a 100% pass rate by all our students so keep encouraging your child to learn their words every night. We are very proud of the children who are working so hard at making the Spellathon a success.

SENIOR OPERETTA – ALICE IN WONDERLAND

TICKETS still available for tonight – Thursday 10th November

We have 3 tiers of pricing –

GOLD CLASS (the first 2 rows of seating numbers are very limited \$20 per ticket

ADULTS - \$10 per ticket

CHILDREN \$5 per ticket – under 2's free if sitting on your knee

KEEP READING YOUR NEWSLETTERS

To all those who are regular readers of the school newsletter...we congratulate you on keeping up with what is going on at your child's school. This term is a particularly busy one, (not of course helped by the fact that it has been shortened due to some rugby game ☺). It is really important that you keep abreast of dates of events and meetings to avoid missing anything. We are constantly amazed by parents telling us they didn't know about different things happening at the school....and no, they didn't read the newsletter. Newsletters are sent home with the eldest child every Thursday and emailed on a Wednesday afternoon or Thursday to those who have requested this to be done. The newsletter is also available to view on our website www.riverhead.school.nz We are not sure how else we can possibly get the information across – we do our best to put as much information in the newsletters and several options to enable you to read it....the rest is up to youbut of course, if you are reading this, you already know this...and the ones who don't read them well enough said. ☺

STATIONERY STOCKTAKE SALE

We are currently having a clear out of end of line stationery items. These are items which are no longer used in the school but are still good quality items which may be great for use at home or as stocking fillers. Please call into the office next week and have a look....prices will be super cheap as all stock must go.

On the subject of stationery, please check that your child doesn't need any more supplies to see them through to the end of the school year. Stationery sales will close on Wednesday 30th November to enable us to do a stocktake.

ART EXHIBITION

Riverhead School is proud to announce success in the North West Cluster 'Construction, Deconstruction, Reconstruction' Art Exhibition at the Trust Stadium last week. A special congratulations to **Lincoln Henare, Reuben Davis, Yadvir Singh, Renee Paterson** and **Dior Carson** from **Room 3** who won an award for their kaleidoscope photos for 'clever choosing of subject matter' and to **Lily Shields, Janey Calder-Walters** and **Casey Trott** from **Room 11** who won an award for the 'clever use of their photo collage in construction of their dream home'. Well done to all those who

worked so hard on their fabulous entries and a special thanks to **Brittany Bray** and **Hayley Young** for organising our entries.

YOUR CHILD 2012

Attached to your newsletter this week is a short questionnaire to help us with our class placements for 2012. We would appreciate it if you could please fill this in and return it to school by Friday 16th November.

TERM 4

Thursday 10 th November	-	Senior Operetta evening performance
Monday 14 th November	-	North West Athletics
Tuesday 15 th November	-	Year 7 & 8 Girls Self Defence day
Tuesday 15 th November	-	Whanau Meeting 6:30pm
Wednesday 16 th November	-	Year 7 & 8 Girls Self Defence half day
Thursday 17 th November	-	Spellathon
Thursday 17 th November	-	School Disco CANCELLED
Friday 18 th November	-	Rewards & Mufti Day
Sunday 20 th November	-	Year 8's leave for Wellington trip
Wednesday 23 rd November	-	Year 8's return from Wellington trip
Friday 25 th November	-	Riverhead School Athletics
Wednesday 30 th November	-	Stationery sales close for the year
Wednesday 7 th December	-	Monitors /WSB/ Road patrols Parakai trip
Thursday 8 th December	-	Monitors Assembly
Tuesday 13 th December	-	School Annual Prizegiving
Wednesday 14 th December	-	School Picnic Day
Thursday 15 th December	-	Rewards & Mufti Day
Thursday 15 th December	-	Term 4 Ends



HATS

If you require a new school hat for your child we have a small supply of these available at the school office for \$14. We also have caps for Year 7 & 8 students – these are \$12 each.

SCHOOL POOL KEYS – approximately 20 remaining for sale

Pool keys are now on sale. The number of keys for sale to the school community is 70 so get in early to avoid any disappointment. The cost of the key is \$155 with a refund of \$20 at the end of the season on the return of the key. A contract must be signed at the time of purchase. Payment for pool keys is by cheque, cash or eftpos – please note – no internet deposits are available for pool keys.

We also require people to volunteer their services for our cleaning roster. Please see the ladies in the office if you can assist.

WHANAU MEETING

Our next Whanau meeting will be held in the school staffroom on Tuesday 15th November at 6:30pm. This is an important meeting to review the charter...all welcome.

DISCO

Unfortunately we have had to cancel our School Disco this term. There is just so much happening in such a short space of time that it is just impossible to fit everything in. We apologise to our disco diva's and hope you won't be too disappointed.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS

Last week we asked for someone to step up to take over from Our Walking School Bus Driver, **Robyn Dean**, who is stepping down from her role as Walking School Bus co-ordinator. To date we have not had anyone come forward. The job is not a difficult one and requires little time and effort...perhaps a parent who has a child using the Walking School bus who is unable to offer their services as a driver...this would be a great way to ensure that the service continues. Without any offers the service

is in jeopardy of grinding to a halt...and it would be such a shame to lose this valuable service. Robyn has done a fantastic job over the past year which will make it an easy transition for the next person. If you can volunteer your services please contact the school office.

OUR BRILLIANT KIDS

Each week children have the opportunity of bringing along to school any certificates, trophies or awards they have received over the course of the week outside of school. Please drop them to the office by **MONDAY** morning.

Trent Wild	Kumeu Cricket Club Player of the Day
Alana Joyce	All Star Cheerleading Internationals 1 st Level 3 Team
Chloe Ross	All Star Cheerleading 1 st & 2 nd teams
Lindzey Greer	All Star Cheerleading 1 st place team
Stella Coombes	All Star Cheerleading 1 st place team
Rebekah Frame	Grade 1 Ballet – Merit
Tegan Hedges	Achievement Sprats. Jazz Dance – Highly commended

LOST CLOTHING

We often have parents calling in to the office looking for lost items of clothing. The clothes in question are named items but have mysteriously disappeared. We know that often children just grab the first green sweatshirt they see and don't bother to check the name on it. Could you please check your child's clothing to make sure they haven't accidentally picked up another child's clothing, particularly sweatshirts and hats. Thank you.

INTERNET BANKING

It is great to see so many parents making use of the schools internet banking facilities...certainly means less cash handling for the office staff. However, several people are *still* making deposits without using a reference meaning that the office staff don't know what the payment is for. We are currently receiving payments for After School Care, operetta tickets, Wellington trip, calendars, school donations...just to name a few but often it just has an amount, sometimes not even a name and many times no payment reference. **Please** make sure you put your name and a short reference eg, ASC, Well Trip, etc.. so we can match up your name to a payment. To those who are doing it correctly...thank you! You make our life so much easier! ☺

BUILDING UPDATE

Further to our update last week, renovations are progressing to plan with all the old toilets having been gutted. Room 1 students have been relocated to the Library and Room 2 to the Learning Café. Over the next couple of weeks Rooms 4 & 5 students will be relocated to the MPC. We really are trying to keep the disruption to a minimum so please bare with us over the next few weeks. The end result will be worth the few weeks inconvenience.

THANK YOU

It was fantastic to see such a great turn out of parents for our Year 6 & 8 sexuality information evening and our digital classroom information evening. We hope that you have a greater understanding of how both these topics will be covered.

We also had a new parents morning tea last Friday and it was lovely to meet up with our newer parents of the school. We hope that we made you feel welcome at our school and that you continue to feel just as welcome over the coming years.

MEAT RAFFLES

Congratulations to **Kim van Zuilen** this week's winner of our meat raffle. Thanks to all those who continue to support our weekly meat raffles. Please call into the office and put your name down for your chance to win the meat pack. \$2 each or 3 for \$5. You can also send along the money to school with your child. Thanks to the Huapai Butcher who continues to supply us with these fabulous packs each week at a very reasonable price.