

RIVERHEAD SCHOOL



Our Vision

Students at Riverhead School will be provided with opportunities to:
Empower them to think about their learning, themselves and others and do all they can to discover their potential

*Think.
Do.
Discover.*

7 December 2017 – Term 4, Week 8

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Organisation for 2018

We want to give you an overview of the organisation for next year.

Next year is the year of EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom). For those who are new to our school every child gets to go on camp. Kapia Team stay overnight at the Zoo, Ngahere Team stay 2 nights at Carey Park, Pitoitoe Team stay 3 nights at Kawau Island and the Rangitopuni Team are going skiing for the week. The dates for these events will be shared with you next year. If your child has not stayed away from home overnight, the Christmas holidays are a great opportunity to organise a sleepover, so that school camp is not such a daunting experience. Exciting times ahead!!

Teacher Staffing

Senior Leadership Team

Principal – Kris Hughes
Deputy Principal – Sophie Hemmington
Assistant Principal – Chelsea Moncur

Kapia Team

Yr 0-1 Vicky Waters (Team Leader) LZ11
Yr 0-1 Rasheda Crawford LZ10
Yr 1 Karli Adams LZ13
Yr 2 Amanda Render (Team Leader) LZ12
Yr 2 Shanley Hunt LZ14

Ngahere Team Yr 3-4

Chrissy Mason (Team Leader)
Sue Shields
Kelly Gaston

Pitoitoe Team Yr 5-6

Chelsea Moncur (Team Leader)
Josie Masson
Candace Barry

Rangitopuni Team Yr 7-8

Adam Baker (Team Leader)
Tahya Mekkelholt

ORRS Teacher – Wendy Kristensen
Specialist Music Teacher – Anita Horsley
Mentor and Release Teacher – Dianne Cook

Next year we continue to work in a collaborative way. Your children will have their own homeroom teacher, but will work with every teacher in the team. Your child's homeroom teacher is your first port of call if any problems may arise. This year is different from prior years as we will inform you next week who is your child's homeroom teacher. The children will be transitioned into their new teams next week. This is to enable your children to identify their pastoral care teacher and the other staff they will be working with, and become au fait with the new physical spaces and how the team works

Curriculum 2018 Overview

We believe powerful learning and innovation occurs through Thinking, Doing, and Discovering. We want our learners to; think about, do something about it, and discover something new. Next year our curriculum is child-centred by design. We believe in our students discovering and developing their potential as inquisitive learners who are critical, creative thinkers. We achieve this by encouraging students to take learning into their own hands. They are responsible for making choices about what they will learn and explore. They have authentic experiences through play or action based learning, passions, and our Riverhead learning model. We will be holding workshops during the year on "How We Do Things Around Here".



Riverhead School Prizegiving

This year's prizegiving will be held at the Bruce Ritchie Performing Arts Centre at Massey High School and is for **ALL** students of Riverhead School.

Prizegiving will be held on **12th December 2017** at 5:30pm.

The theme this year is Red Carpet. The teachers are all coming dressed in their glad rags (suits and gowns!) so make sure you're dressed in your best outfits. The paparazzi will be watching!!

We anticipate the prizegiving will go until around 6:45 – 7pm so please ensure your children have had something to eat beforehand. Please make sure that you leave early as traffic has always proven to be a bit of a problem - especially exiting the Riverhead Highway. Parking is available on the Massey High School grounds - at the far back down the driveway - please arrive early if you are planning to use this parking area.



Achievement Statements 2017 (Reports)

This year we are changing the way we share your child's Achievement Statements. Instead of receiving a printed version of the report on the last day of term, you will be sent a unique username and password that will give you access to a private @School account. Once logged on, you will be able to see a digital version of your child's newly designed Achievement Statement.

Login details will be issued to you on **Monday 11th December**, as well as instructions of how to access the digital Achievement Statement. Please take some time to access the Parent Portal and ensure your login details work. Please be aware, **you will not** be able to access your child's Achievement Statement until **Thursday 14th December**.

If you have not updated your email address at the office, please do so asap otherwise you will not receive your child's report



Stationery lists for 2018

For the 2018 school year, all stationery orders and school donations/classroom fees will all be done online again through OfficeMax - www.myschool.co.nz, an outside organisation.

You will be able to get everything done in one go, paying either by credit card or internet banking and this will be available from next week. All stationery will need to be purchased through OfficeMax or if you want to buy from elsewhere you will need to still go to this website and print your child's year level list. There will be no stationery sold through the school office. Your child will require their full stationery from Day One of 2017.



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Picnic Day

This will be on Thursday 14th December from 8.45am.

The morning will consist of tabloid sports organised by the staff and then after our picnic lunch, we will be holding the annual Riverhead School 'Catch the Teacher' waterfight!

Lunch will begin at 11.45am until 12.00pm and then the water activities will follow. Children are welcome to bring water guns but water balloons are not permitted.

Please also make sure your child brings a towel, hat, full t-shirt and sunscreen.

We would love to see you there - pack a picnic, bring a water gun and join in the fun.



Religious Instruction Survey

This year the Board of Trustees has reviewed Religious Instruction at Riverhead School. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the review and completed the recent parent-preference survey. As a result of the review, Riverhead School will continue to run the Fab Friday programme, offering Bumper-values or Kapa-haka options to our students. Religious instruction will no longer be a part of the curriculum. This will take effect next year

Life jackets wanted

We are looking for donations of any life jackets you may have lying around, from child to adult. We are wanting to teach our children about water safety and get them used to wearing life jackets before they go out on Camp.



Kumeu Santa Parade Float

Supreme here we come!

Tomorrow night is the eagerly awaited Kumeu Santa Parade. If you have given permission for your child to be on our float, you will need to meet at the assembly point (Nobilos, Station Road, opposite Huapai School) no later than 5pm. The road will close at 6.45pm.

Children are invited to dress up as Christmassy as possible in red, white and green and bring their singing voices. Please provide a filled water bottle and snacks for during the parade.

Thank you if you indicated that you will be available to supervise on the float. We were inundated with offers so please see Mrs Hemmington on the night to find out if you are still needed.

The parade finishes at Kumeu Showground at approximately 8pm so all children will need to be collected from the showgrounds by an adult at this time.



Staff carparks OUT OF BOUNDS at ALL times

The staff carparks are not to be used as drop off zones or used at all. This includes all times of the day.

As you may be aware there are now two driveways which increases the areas in which cars will be entering and exiting the area. Please remind your children about being safe around driveways as there will be cars exiting and entering the grounds at multiple times through the day.

CAUTION

Thank You

We offer a huge thanks to the following people for donating to our Fun Fiesta.

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Pak 'n' Save Albany

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Ross Grant - Wood turner (Dallas' dad)

Carol Mellsop - Avon Representative

Riverhead Eco Wraps

Network Visuals (who donated the use of the stage)

Ilze Castledine - IC Cakes

Thank You so much, without you (and the amazing Fun Fiesta team) these events would not be able to happen.

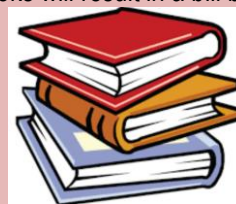
Lunch Orders

There are no hells pizza or sushi orders next week. Pita Pit is still able to be ordered Monday – Thursday.



Library Books

Please ensure all library books are returned ASAP. Unreturned books will result in a bill being sent home.



Yr 7/8 Athletics

After our school Athletics we had 13 of our amazing kids make it through to the Northwest Champs. Logan W, Jarvis K, Nirvana-Rose L, Abby M, Jack C, Leon S, Tyler P, Sophie C, Liam M, Taurima M, Ellesha S, Yash N and Jemma R went down to the Trusts Stadium on Friday 24th November. They all performed to the best of their ability and Jack, Taurima, Jarvis and Logan all made it through to the Auckland Champs. Jack was the only one able to attend, due to the other three children being in Dunedin. He did his absolute best and represented Riverhead with pride!



Lost Property

Items from the lost property box will be placed on display on Picnic day. Please take your items on this day or they will be relabelled and placed into the Hand Me Round shop.



KEY DATES – TERM 4 2017

| TERM 4 | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Friday 8 December | Fab Friday Genius Hour Celebration Assembly – Ngahere Team presenting Kumeu Santa Parade |
| Monday 11 December | Bump@r Assembly – 8:30am Logon details being emailed for Achievement Statement |
| Tuesday 12 December | Pool Key Meeting – 8am School Prizegiving – Massey High School 5:30pm |
| Wednesday 13 December | Honours Students Luncheon |
| Thursday 14 December | School Picnic day Achievement Statements available to be accessed |
| Friday 15 December | Last day of School/Rewards |

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Rangitopuni Team = Yrs 7 & 8 Mr Baker, Mrs Mekkelholt

Pitoitoi Team = Yrs 5 & 6 Mrs Moncur, Miss Masson, Miss Horsley

Ngahere Team = Yrs 2-4 Mrs Mason, Mrs Shields, Mrs Gaston, Miss Barry

Kapia Team = Yrs 0-2 Mrs Waters, Miss Adams, Miss Crawford, Mrs Render, Mrs Hunt

2018 Term Dates

Term 1 – Tuesday 30 January – Friday 13 April
(Teacher Only Day – Thursday 29 March)

Term 2 – Monday 30 April – Friday 6 July

Term 3 – Monday 23 July – Friday 28 September

Term 4 – Monday 15 October – Friday 14 December

Riverhead School Prizegiving 2017



Tuesday 12 December 2017
5.30pm Start

Bruce Ritchie Performing Arts Centre
Massey High School
274 Don Buck Road
Massey

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