

ROAD CROSSING CONCERNS

Road Safety is comprehensively taught to all students at Riverhead School, but it does need to be backed up from home. Please ensure your child knows AND USES road crossing rules – especially for students who use the back entrance to the school (Coatesville/Riverhead Highway), and the fence stile entrance off Newton Road. These roads are busy and cars are often not expecting to see children running across the road, so please remind your child of the dangers.

OUR AWESOME KIDS

Congratulations to Tyler Watson, Player of the Day – Tee-Ball.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

FRIGHT NIGHT – FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER

Meeting at school dressed in costume at 5.00pm. Prize awarded for the best dressed! If you would like to be a designated 'safe / scare house' please phone Rachel 4125114. If you get the answer phone, please leave your name and address. All groups need volunteer adult along with them. Thanks.

HOUSEBUS TO RENT

Permanently sited bus \$150 per week includes power and water. Bus has shower, shub, flushing toilet, TV, Fridge, Double Bed etc. Would suit quiet working person. Ph. Shawn or Debbie 4129500.

CAN YOU HELP!

We have moved from Riverhead to Whenuapai (temporarily) and would like to keep our son at Riverhead School in 2009. Both parents work in the Whenuapai area and are finding the travelling tiresome! Do you or someone you know travel thru' Whenuapai to Riverhead (school) or Albany mornings/afternoons that could help? We are happy to contribute to commuting costs. Please call Alison on 021 412 417 or (099460094) Thank you.

ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL – MONSTER GARAGE SALE Saturday 1st November from 8.00 to 12.00 noon. Mini Gala with sausage sizzle, refreshments, face painting, bouncy castle, bungy, fancy dress competition, cakes, sweets, plants and more.... See you at 498 Don Buck Road!

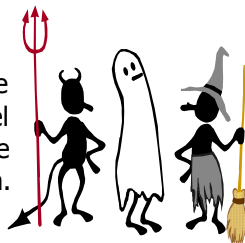
MONSTER FIREWORK DISPLAY - Friday 31st October – Halloween – at Kumeu Showgrounds. Entertainment from 5pm, fireworks 8.30pm. Rides, live music, entertainment, food, coffee, stalls, raffles, dress up your little monsters – prizes for best costume! No personal fireworks please. Car \$30 (2 adults/2 children) or adults \$12 children \$6.

RIVERHEAD ATHLETICS CLUB Season underway – come along from 5.30 pm. Ages 2-14yrs.

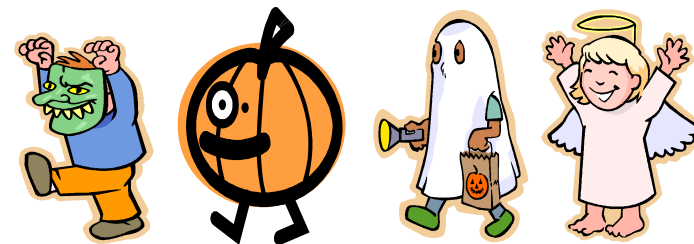
SUMMER LEAGUE NETBALL Looking for mums & dads – phone Harriet on 4126416 or 021 2288483.

ROOSTERS SOFTBALL CLUB – Granville Road, Massey Looking for kids, mums & dads. Phone Harriet on 4126416 or 021 2288483.

LOOKING FOR 2ND HAND SCHOOL UNIFORM – Size 12 Tee shirt, Shorts and sweatshirt. Please phone Judy-Anne 4127893.



RIVERHEAD SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME – HAERE MAI

A very warm Riverhead welcome is extended to **Destiny, Tyler** and their family. Our school roll now stands at 286! With the Year 7/8's away at Motutapu Island this week things have been slightly quieter. Well done to those Year 6 students who have stepped up into the various duty roles temporarily, you have really shown you can take responsibility seriously!

Please check the key dates each week and note details pertaining to your child/ren.

CHECK OUT THE NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE!

Our new website has been the subject of intensive development and is looking absolutely amazing! Check it out at www.riverhead.school.nz now! There is still a bit more information to be put on there, but you are able to access loads including newsletters, staff profiles, weird and wonderful pictures etc. Plus you can have your say on the current BLOG topic and post your



opinions to the site!

Check it out now and let us know what you think!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Riverhead Cup Race Night is comingFriday 14th November. Remember that first Trivia Night, and the first Riverhead Ball? Well here's a new parents fundraising night to add to your calendar! Put on your poshest frock and hat darrrring, press your bow tie, bring your own bubbles & nibbles sweetie – it's Race Nite in Riverhead!

Come along and enjoy all the fun of the races. Bid on live jockeys racing for glory on our indoor track, place your bets, form a syndicate and 'buy' a horse – the odds are that you will come away with some winnings, and enjoy an awesome Riverhead evening at the same time. Door Prizes, Best Dressed Prizes & loads more. \$5 tickets on sale NOW!

SCHOOL POOL UPDATE

We have had lots of enquiries about pool keys, so here is an update!

Due to major repairs to the filtration system the pool will not open until mid-November. When it does open, keys will be on sale to families with children currently attending Riverhead School only – and they will be strictly limited. Sorry the office is not able to create a 'waiting list', it will be first in first served once they



Ron Irwin of the Harcourts Kumeu office is a resident of Riverhead, actively involved in supporting the community and well qualified to assist with any Real Estate Requirements.

For professional and dependable advice call:

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go on sale. The numbers are limited purely to ensure the filtration system can work effectively and the chemical levels remain relatively constant.

The pool will also be closed for repairs and maintenance between 24th December and 3rd January. There is a substantial amount of upgrading to be done on the pool and its' supporting systems and we have worked hard to keep the pool open to school community keyholders this summer. It is a privilege to be able to purchase a key and use the pool, and the 'Rules of Use' that each purchaser signs upon obtaining their key will be very strictly enforced. The Board of Trustees will have no hesitation in revoking user rights and return of keys should any rules be breached, as has happened in the past with people lending keys and letting other people into the pool.

So watch this space for the date the keys will go on sale.

MAORI FAMILY/WHANAU MEETING

All are welcome to attend the Whanau Meeting in the Boardroom at 1.45pm on 31st October (that's tomorrow). The meeting will be discussing organisation of the Hakari Matauranga Day which will be on 14th November.

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL

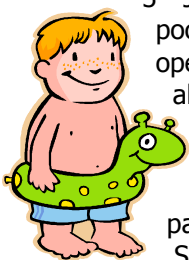
In lieu of a Term 4 DISCO, wonderful mummy Deb MacCauley is organising a Christmas Carnival evening to be held on Friday 5th December involving each classroom and loads of Christmas crafts, cake stalls etc. Volunteers from each class are required so if you are interested in helping out, please contact your child's teacher.

2008 SCHOOL PRIZEGIVING

As this is the first year ever that we will be able to hold our School Prizegiving in our very own hall (YAY!), there will be a number of changes in the format from previous years. As we can now fit everybody into one venue (YAY! again), there will be one full School Prizegiving on 15th December to celebrate overall excellence in our students. In the interests of time for the event, the prizes awarded at the ceremony will consist of major awards and overall prizewinners, as opposed to individual class awards which will be given at a separate assembly (which you will be notified of). Several of our major awards are memorial or sponsored awards, and we are looking to local families and businesses to sponsor more trophies so that our top award winning students can take away a trophy as well as a certificate (trophies will be engraved and returned each year). Areas you could sponsor include numeracy, literacy, cultural, sporting, responsibility, leadership etc. If you are interested in having an award sponsored (thus named after your family/business), please contact Principal, Kris Hughes through the school office.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS FAMILY PICNIC FUN DAY

Sunday November 9th at The Secret Garden, Totara Park, Wairere Road, Manukau. 11.00 to 2.00pm. Clowns, prizes, lolly scramble, bouncy castle etc. Bring along your own picnic and join in the fun! This picnic is organised for all children and families who utilise a Walking School Bus service throughout Auckland.



KEY DATES – TERM 4

Please note the following key dates pertaining to your child on your calendars. This list is updated each week and is subject to change and there will definitely be more added throughout Term 4 – so please remember to check it each week!

28th to 31st October – Year 7/8 Camp at Motutapu Island

31st October – Maori Family/Whanau Meeting 1.45

6th November – Mural Unveiling with Rodney Council 11.00

5th November – School Class and Individual Photos

10th November – APPA Choir full dress rehearsal at Town Hall

11th November – APPA Choir Festival Performance Evening @ Town Hall

13th November – BOT Meeting, Cultural Festival

14th November – Interschool Cricket, Hakari Matauranga Day, Race Meeting Evening Fundraiser

20th November – Inter-School Touch

21st November – School Athletics

28th November – Inter-school Athletics

2nd December – Walking School Bus & Road Patrol Waiwera Day

5th December – Christmas Carnival

10th December – BOT Meeting

11th December – PTA Christmas Shopping without the Kids Night

12th December – Kumeu Christmas Parade – Riverhead School Float

15th December – School Prizegiving

16th December – School Picnic

17th December – Last Day of Term 4

CLASS/INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

You will have received a personalised envelope last week to order your child's photo and class photo when they are taken on 5th November. If you would like a photo of siblings, please collect an extra envelope from the school office. The last day for placing any photo orders is Monday 3rd November.

KUMEU CHRISTMAS PARADE FLOAT

We will be putting a float in to the Kumeu Christmas Parade on the 12th December and will require volunteer arty people and children to sing beautiful Christmas Carols. A notice with further details has been sent home for your completion if you / your child are interested.

Thank you to those wonderful parents who have already come forward and volunteered their assistance.

RODNEY COUNCIL UNVEILING MPC BUILDING MURAL

At 11.00 next Thursday 6th November we will be hosting an unveiling ceremony to recognise the work of a group of our Year 6 & 7 students in designing and painting the fantastic new mural adorning our MPC building. Students **Karis Forbes, Tyla Browne, Alex Porteous, Todd Gibbs, Ben Mawhinney, Logan Dunn** and **Cameron Bates** worked with Rodney Council and artist Gaylene Earl to create work that depicted many aspects of local village life. The picture is just awesome and we'd love to see as many community members along as possible!

