



**School Goal – Term 1 2009**

**We will Complete our Tasks**

**Teaching Beliefs – Success with Support, Teamwork and Communication, Achieving High Standards, Reflecting Diversity, Safe Secure Environment.**

**Kia ora, Kia orana, Talofa lava, Malo-ni, Greetings, Bula, Fakaalofa atu, Sabai de, Namesti**

**PRINCIPALS NEWSLETTER WEDNESDAY 8 April 2009**

Today is the last day of school for Term 1. We have a Teacher Only Day tomorrow. We thank everyone for their wonderful support during the term and wish you all the best for a successful Easter and holiday break.

**School returns for Term 2 on Monday 27 April. We start at 8:55am**

**School Goal**

We are currently working on a new goal to be decided close to the beginning of next term. In the meantime we are still working on the current goal: "We Will Complete Our Tasks".

The following students have been recognised and rewarded at recent school assemblies for their work towards the school goal:

Brian Loh, Daniel Nicol, Shaydon Lyttle, Jessie Soudachanh, Toloa Faraimo, Eddie-Girl Teleaga, Brooklyn Joseph, Aliyah Luapo, Joyce Soudachanh, Kayelani Shedlock-Luapo, Mamele Kupa-Cummings, Cody Teo, Ariana Welch-Nattrass, Losania Wilson-To'omaga, Tahijah Kaitai, Tapaclu Pue, Helen Faatonuga, Caitlin Mikaio, Christian Tioa Fenika, Isaac Toloa, Mia Ululelata, Jason Prachith, Mahalia Katene-Takimoana, Devon Taylor, Chris Daniel, Alex Doughty. Congratulations to you all!

**Absences**

Some of you will have received an official letter from our Board of Trustees Chairperson about the attendance of your children. Thank you to all those who have contacted me regarding these letters. It is most pleasing that in all cases attendance and arriving at school on time has vastly improved. Lately we have had only two or three students late each day which is extremely pleasing for us. Having all children attending school and arriving on time enables us to do our jobs more efficiently and help your children progress with their learning.

From now on letters will go out every three weeks to anyone who we have any concerns regarding attendance. We are hoping not to have to send any out and believe that this is very possible to achieve.

Once again, thank you all for your co-operation with this. We are extremely appreciative.

**Hall Opening**

The official opening of our school hall will be held on Saturday 9 May at 6:30am.

This is a community event. You are all warmly invited to share in this occasion.

There will be a blessing, an opening ceremony, Poly Club performances and the sharing of food.

We hope to see you all at this very special event.

**Kindergarten Liaison**

Ascot Park Kindergarten spent time visiting our school library yesterday morning. It was great to have all the morning kindergarten students join our New Entrants class in the library. This is part of our revised and improved liaison programme with the kindergarten. We look forward to regular visits to our school and to our library throughout the rest of the year.

## **PCT Challenge**

Rheilli Uluilalata, Briar Bransley, Braydon McMahon and Herangi Williams represented not only Rangikura School but Porirua City at the Police Blue Light Challenge National Competition. Teams came from all over New Zealand and there was even a team from Australia competing. During the weekend our Rangikura team completed CSI crime solving challenges, swimming competitions and a fear factor which involved eating and drinking foul tasting food and retrieving a key in a barrel of fish guts. Our team went on to win the most important event of all, the police fitness test. This saw our team of four complete challenges such as pushing a police car, jumping a 3 metre fence and climb through windows. These students represented our school well and we are extremely proud of their strength, courage and bravery shown throughout the weekend.

## **Success of Former Student**

Roimata Collier is in the Under 16 Wellington Hockey Team. This is great news and an honour that is well deserved by Roimata who has outstanding hockey skills. Congratulations! We look forward to hearing the results of games.

## **Overseas Visitor**

Our recent overseas Principal visitor, Tony Cummings, from New South Wales was very impressed with our school when he visited recently. He commented about our students enthusiasm and ability to concentrate and on the effectiveness of our teachers. He admired our STARS beliefs and how this was well reflected in classroom environments and programmes. It was very gratifying to hear this positive feedback about our school.

## **Healthy Recipe - Ham & Noodle Fritters**

This is a good way to use up leftover ham or other meat.

### **Ingredients**

- 2 x 85g packets 2-minute noodles
- 6 eggs
- 200g lean shaved ham, chopped
- 125g can corn kernels, drained
- 5 spring onions, thinly sliced
- 2 teaspoons vegetable oil

<b>Portions:</b> 8 (makes 16 fritters) <b>Time to make:</b> 15 minutes <b>Total cost of all ingredients:</b> \$10.56 / \$1.32 per serve
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### **Instructions**

Step 1 - Cook noodles following packet directions and discarding seasoning packet. Drain well. Cool.

Step 2 - Whisk eggs in a large bowl. Add noodles, ham, corn and spring onions. Stir until well combined.

Step 3 - Heat a barbecue hotplate to a medium heat. Spread oil on hotplate. Spoon 1/4 cupfuls of noodle mixture, cooking 4-6 at a time, on hotplate. Cook for 2 minutes, or until golden and egg is set. Turn and cook 1-2 minutes more, or until egg is cooked through. Transfer to a large plate. Cover to keep warm. Cook remaining fritters. Serve with bok choy and soy sauce.

Kind Regards,  
Paul Nees

Principal  
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## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

9 April	Teacher Only Day
10 April	Good Friday
13 April	Easter Monday
25 April	ANZAC Day
27 April	Term 2 begins - 8.55am sharp