

**School Goal – Term 3 2009**

**WE WILL THINK OF OTHERS**

**Teaching and Learning Beliefs:**

**Supporting Each Other, Tell the Truth, Achieving Our Goals, Respect, Self Responsibility.**

**Vision: Respect for Self, Respect for Others, Respect for Environment**

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

**PRINCIPALS NEWSLETTER WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2009**

We welcome Shayne Wesley who has recently joined Mrs Ryan's class. We look forward to working with him and assisting with his educational progress.

**END OF TERM**

This is the last week of Term 3. It has been a busy term, but once again hugely successful in many ways. We know we have made a difference to student achievement this term and also know we have been successful in engaging students with their learning and providing a diversity of opportunities for all our students. We thank you all very much for your wonderful support of our school this term and wish you all a good break and some quality family time these holidays. School finishes for Term 3 this Friday 25 September at 2pm. Road patrols will operate from 2pm – 2.20pm.

**TERM 4**

Term 4 begins on Monday 12 October at 8.55am sharp. There is lots to look forward to in the last term of the year:

- School Concert (Week 6)
- Home/School Partnerships
- EOTC Activities
- Parent Interviews (Week 8)
- Year 8 Graduation and Senior Formal (Week 9)



As well as the above events we have all the end of year student assessments to finalize which will prove that we have extended student achievement this year. Some students will also receive written end of year reports at the end of week 7.

**SCHOOL GOAL**



Students continue to do well with our current school goal – We Will Think of Others. It has been in great evidence throughout the school. This goal links to the key competencies in the revised NZ Curriculum – particularly those of Thinking, Managing Self, and Relating to Others. It also relates to the values of respect, integrity and community participation as expressed in the curriculum. Finally, it also has direct links to our school's unique Teaching and Learning Beliefs – Supporting Each Other, Achieving our Goals, Respect and Self-Responsibility and also the statement in our vision – Respect for Others.

The following students have been recognized and rewarded for their work towards achieving this goal. Maceo Mauafua, Krystal Baker, Staci Walsh, Yana Thompson, Harmony Hunter, Shalin Spiers, Tyana Wihongi, Toa Fifita, Fawzia Hekmatzadah, Montoya Niko, April Ulberg, Zabrina Rere, Renee Mikaio, Tusi Partsch, Taylah Wiki-Hohua, Jasiah Baker, Regan Huntley, Croshan Skipper-Lepou, Kealan Arthur-Maka, Boston Phillips-Lepaio, Anna Lolohea, Hukitu Waititi-Luke, Ethan Komiti, Shyla Tangata-White, Brandon Aahoi, Brandon Phillips, Lehi Osman and Brooke Huntley.

Congratulations and well done to you all !!!!!!!

## ERO VISIT

The onsite part of our Education Review Office visit has now ended. Feedback from ERO indicates that they were most impressed with our students especially their ability to think of and respect others, our high quality classroom teaching, our learning environments, the fact that students are focused on learning, that our teachers are focused on improvement, that review and teacher appraisal processes are robust and effective and that we have made excellent changes to our approach to teaching numeracy. They are impressed with how we include and support our high needs students and recognize the work done so far to review strategic goals and implement the revised New Zealand Curriculum. They have indicated that our 'natural next steps' are to deepen the process of self review, undertake planned reviews based on inquiry and reduce the number of school achievement targets so that these focus on the most pressing issues that we identify from achievement data. They are in complete agreement with what the school plans to do next – the identified next steps in teacher development, to undertake professional development to deepen data analysis and to increase the capacity of senior staff to guide and coach teachers and therefore support the Principal's work in this area. The official feedback to the Board of Trustees is happening this afternoon, as you are reading this newsletter. Fingers crossed that it matches what they told us last week !



## ABSENCES – RAAYS

It is really pleasing to see the continued and ongoing improvement in attendance, and especially the lower number of children signing in late every day. The reduction in those coming late compared with the beginning of the year is quite significant. Many thanks to everyone for their support in this area. Next term the weather will improve and the winter flu will be behind us. We want to make Term 4 a full attendance term. It would be great if there was no-one away sick at all !!. If we all make a big effort we can reduce our absence rate for the year and achieve our goal of over 95% attendance rate.

## SPORTS SUCCESSES



Our Premiere One Girls Hockey Team played an exciting game last Saturday afternoon against Hutt Valley. At half-time there was no score. Our girls scored two excellent goals in the second half to win the game. This is a great success considering it is the first time we have competed in the Premier One division. All of

the girls played brilliantly. Congratulations to them, to Ondine Souter for the coaching and to all the parents, families and school staff members who have shown support throughout the season. Hori Tai-Albert, who plays for a Kapiti team, also competed in a final on Saturday. His team also won 2-0. Congratulations Hori on this success.



Also two other students Tristan Davis and Jasiah Iona were picked for the Wellington Rep under 12's league. Every year they have the state of origin games, Western & Eastern Bays and from those two teams they make a Wellington team.

In two weeks time they have four games over the weekend in which they play teams from North Island – Taranaki, Dannervirke South Island – Canterbury, West Coast. Congratulations boys.



## SUNHATS

Sunhats are compulsory for all of Term 4. Students must wear brimmed sunhats when outside, not caps. Please help them to be organized for next term.

## SUCCESSES OF FORMER STUDENTS



A number of ex Rangikura students now at Aotea College competed in the barbershop Singers Nationals held in Auckland last week. Aotea did amazingly well coming 1<sup>st</sup> in Girls Quartet, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Girls Chorus, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Boys Quartet and Strike 4 coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Under 25's. Well done to all these students. It is great to see our students taking their talents on to college and developing them further.

## LOST PROPERTY

We have a large amount of lost property, lots of which is quite new looking. Please come and claim it. We will put it outside for students to claim later in the week. Anything leftover on Friday afternoon will be disposed of in the holidays.



## TOURNAMENT OF THE MINDS



This is an annual event held at Hutt Intermediate School. Teams of seven are given tasks to complete in a set time. There were 32 teams in total. We were very proud of these students as it is the first time Rangikura has entered. We entered two teams of Year 5 and 6 students and they both won. There is a photo of these students in yesterday's Kapi Mana. The students were: Caleb Waara, Joyce Soudachanh, Cody Jones, Matisse Uluilelata, Vasaty Teleaga-Isopo, Leilani Alatipi, Aliyah Luapo, Jason Prachith, Miles Mauafua, Toa Fifita, Kayelani Shedlock-Luapo, Elijah Osman, Aniqueja Tibble and Sophie Phouphayly.  
Congratulations and well done to you all!!  
A big thank you to Miss Souter, Miss Charlton and Miss Frater.

## MEASLES IMMUNISATION



Measles has not hit our school yet, but it is very prevalent in other areas. The Ministry has advised us to keep an up to date immunization register. Could you please supply us with a copy of your child/children's immunization certificate. We are happy to make a copy here and return the original to you. Thank you for your co-operation.

Kind Regards

Paul Nees  
Principal

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## DATES TO REMEMBER



Today ..... ERO Report back to Board of Trustees  
25 September ..... STARS Assembly 12.15pm  
..... End of Term 3 – School finishes at 2pm  
12 October ..... Term 4 begins at 8.55am sharp.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

- Karori Sanctuary is holding holiday activities. For more information call 04-9209200. or visit [www.visitzealandia.com/events](http://www.visitzealandia.com/events)
- Sportzone is offering football (soccer) to children in the Wellington region. For more information please phone Tony on 586-6006 or 0275776781.
- Craft Classes – these are available in the school holidays. For more information phone 499-4499 or visit [www.CraftHouse.co.nz](http://www.CraftHouse.co.nz) Book a morning, afternoon or an entire week.



## HEALTHY RECIPE

This week's recipe is for Speedy Spicy Hash. It is quick and easy and will fill you up. Better still it only costs just over \$1.00 per serving. That's hard to beat these days – A perfect recipe for the holidays.

### Speedy spicy hash



Once the potatoes are done, that's the bulk of work over for this twist on a traditional Spanish tortilla.

#### Ingredients

- 1kg potatoes, boiled, mashed
- 2 tablespoons chilli sauce
- 185g can tuna in spring water, drained
- 1 1/2 cups leftover cooked vegetables, chopped
- 400g can cannellini beans, drained, rinsed
- 2 spring onions, finely chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon dried mixed herbs
- olive oil spray

#### Instructions

**Step 1** Place mashed potato in a large bowl. Add remaining ingredients except oil. Mix well.

**Step 2** Spray a large non-stick frying pan with oil. Heat for a few minutes until hot. Add potato mixture to pan. Cover evenly and press down lightly. Cook over a medium heat for 7-8 minutes.

**Step 3** Turn hash over by sliding it on a plate, then flipping over in pan. Cook for 4-5 more minutes. Cut in wedges and serve with a green salad.

Recipe Information	
Portions:	8
Time to make	25 minutes
Total cost of all ingredients:	\$8.48 / \$1.06 per serve
	• Gluten-free
Nutrition Information	
	per serve
Energy	650 kJ (157 Cals)
Protein	10g
Fat	
- saturated	1g
	0g
Carbohydrates	
- sugars	25g
	4g
Dietary Fibre	5g
Sodium	190mg
Calcium	40mg
Iron	2mg
* NS: Not specified	