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School Goal – Term 3 2010

WE WILL SHOW CARE AND CONSIDERATION FOR PROPERTY AND OUR ENVIRONMENT

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 21 JULY 2010

We welcome Avanoa Toloa to our school. Avanoa started school this week after turning five in the holidays. He is in Mrs Gulliver's class. We wish him well in his school career.

SCHOOL GOAL

We are retaining the school goal from last term – 'We will show care and consideration for property and our environment'. We began work on this goal part way through last term and want to sustain it for at least a whole term. Lots of children have done well with this goal but we still feel there is some work that still needs to be done. We promote an organised and tidy school as being conducive to learning. This goal also links to some key competencies in the curriculum, especially 'Managing Self' and participating and contributing. The following students were recognised for their work on this goal at the assembly on the last day of Term 2. Va'aitino Baker, Molly Beek, Nikolao Osman, Grace Mikaio, Mata Ropeti-Baker, Monique Lemafua, Julia Sakaria, Asia Ropeti, Antonio Obeda, Trinity Tangata-White, Cassidy Teleaga, Joyce Soudachanh and Mahalia Katene-Takimoana.

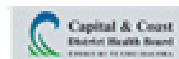


Congratulations and well done to you all !!!!!

RAAY'S ATTENDANCE

We are three days into Term 3 and the list of students arriving late has been very short. This is a very pleasing start to the term and one which we would love to see continue for the whole ten weeks. So that students can achieve to their potential they need to attend school regularly and be on time each day that they attend. Research clearly shows there is a direct link between attendance and achievement and also that children who regularly arrive late at school tend to be behind those who arrive on time. This is why we work so hard at having all our students at school. Thank you to those people who made the time to come and see me or phone me after they received a RAAY'S letter last term, it is important that you do this so we can discuss the issues and help support you to get your kids to school. Over the next two weeks we will be carefully monitoring attendance and lateness and will take the next step if necessary with any families still causing concern or send letters to any others developing a concerning attendance pattern.

RAAYS is a Porirua / Kapiti Youth Offending Team initiative. Main sponsors of the project are



RAAYS - Raising Achievement Across our Youth Sector

STAFFING CHANGE

There will be a further staffing change this term. Heather Clayton has been offered an opportunity to teach overseas in Hong Kong. This is very exciting for her as it will enable her to experience teaching in a different cultural setting. However it makes it a little difficult for us because Heather needs to be in Hong Kong at the beginning of August. This week will therefore be her last week teaching at Rangikura. Despite the short time frame we have had to replace Heather, we are very fortunate to have done so. Surrey Maraku and Glen Clafferty will work in a job sharing capacity in this class for the remainder of the year. Each will teach two regular full days per week and will alternate teaching every Monday. We are highly confident that this will be a successful arrangement. Surrey has taught full time and also in a job share capacity in the past at our school. Glen has been an excellent relieving teacher for us over the last twelve months. We wish Heather all the very best for her new challenge. We will be formally farewelling her tomorrow morning at a Poroporoaki. We also thank her for her valuable contribution to our school over the past few years in a variety of roles – full time classroom teacher in Pohutukawa and Rimu syndicates and as a teacher providing classroom release.

SCHOOL CELLPHONE - 022 0259 630

We now have a school cellphone. Please text in any absences. Include your child's name and the reason they are away. Hopefully this makes it easier for you to notify us.

SHORTCUTS TO SCHOOL

Shortcuts through Carbine Place. These are private property so can you please make sure your children **DO NOT** walk this way. Entering these properties to get to and from school is not allowed. Please ensure your children are walking through the appropriate alleyway.

TAMAITI MUA

The Tuesday morning cuppa tea group is growing steadily. Yesterday morning we had our biggest attendance ever, with our Public Health Nurse, Chris Campbell attending to discuss health issues and answer questions. The vision for this group is to bring in a wide range of people to help support families, answer questions and give advice on a wide range of topics e.g. housing, budgeting, parenting. We are hoping this group will be a valuable asset to our community and provide great service to everyone. The cuppa tea group meets every Tuesday from 8.30am – 10.30am in our school hall. Just turn up any time between these times. Pre schoolers are very welcome as it is intended to be a play group for them as well. If you have any toys or old books you would be prepared to donate to this group, please contact Eddie Uluilalata.

MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK

The official Maori Language Week is next week, and the theme this year is 'Te Mahi Kai' – The language of food. Here is a Fruit Haka and Karakia to bless food.

Whakanuia Te Wiki o te Reo Māori	
Celebrate Māori Language Week 26 July - 01 August 2010	
Theme for Māori Language Week 2010: "Te Mahi Kai"- The Language of Food	
FRUIT HAKA is a great way to learn the Māori names of fruit!	KARAKIA is important in Māori culture to bless the food before eating.
 āporo āporo	E Ihowa,
 pītiti pītiti	Whakapaingia ēnei kai
 panana panana	Hei oranga mō ō mātau
 ārani ārani	tinana wairua hoki,
 mereni mereni	Ki te taro o te ora
Hii Aue Hii!	Āmene
	<i>Bless this food for our physical and spiritual wellbeing, Amen</i>
For more Te Reo Maori resources see: http://www.korero.maori.nz/news/mlw	 

HEALTHY RECIPE

Here is a really quick, easy and affordable microwave recipe.

Scrambled eggs with tuna

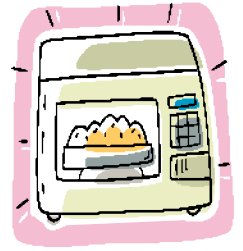
. Instructions

Step 1 Whisk eggs and milk with a fork in a microwave-proof bowl. Cook on high for 1 minute. Remove and whisk again.

Step 2 Microwave for a further 30 seconds on high for eggs to begin scrambling slightly. Remove and add spring onion. Cook for 30 more seconds.

Step 3 Stir with a fork. Add tuna and diced Peppadews (if using). Season with pepper. Spoon onto bread and serve with spinach.

*NOTE: All timings are guidelines only as individual microwaves will vary slightly.



Recipe Information

Portions: 2

Time to make: 10 minutes

Total cost of all ingredients: \$5.34 / \$2.67

per serve

- Low fat
- Low kilojoule

Ingredients

- 3 eggs
- 4 tablespoons trim milk
- 1 spring onion, finely chopped
- 95g can tuna in spring water, drained
- 2 tablespoons diced Peppadews (optional)
- freshly ground black pepper
- 2 small wholemeal pita bread
- 1 cup chopped fresh spinach

STUDENT SUCCESSES

Hockey – Congratulations to Lesina Obeda, Olivia Parsons, Skyla Phillips and Tyra Komiti for being selected for the Under 13 A Wellington Team, they are going to Blenheim for a weekend tournament in August and a national tournament (Collier Cup) in Timaru during the October holidays. Jasmine Kaa, Kayelani Luapo and Oakley Wilson-Rangihuna were selected for the Under 13 Development team. Their tournament is in Wanganui next holidays.

Basketball – Porirua U13's.

Congratulations to Oakley Wilson-Rangihuna, Skyla Phillips and Toa Fifita for being selected for the Porirua Basketball Team.

Netball – Congratulations to Kristina Phouphayly for her selection in the Kapi Mana Year 7 netball team.



Rangikura School Community News July 2010

'Tamaiti Mua' - Building strong partnerships between home and school: THE RANGIKURA WAY.

❖ Breakfast club. Open every morning.

From 8.20am - Parents welcome to come help out or have breakfast with your kids. In Kowhai shared space.

❖ Homework club –Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Open lunchtimes - If you have some time and would like to help children with their homework, the **library** is available to you.

❖ "Cup 'o' Tea playgroup" Tuesday

Open 8.30am to 10.30am. Parents of our community - come share a cuppa and catch up with old school mates/ex staff and their little ones in our chat and kids play-group.
In the **Hall/Gym**

❖ Ms Gulliver's Dance classes - Tuesday.

Tuesdays; Jnr kids 4 - 4:30pm/ Snr kids - Adults 4:30 – 5:30pm

** Debbie Gulliver runs contemporary/ballet dance class. Kids and adults welcome. In the **Hall/Gym**

❖ Rangikura Invitational Basketball Comp – Wednesday.

Come watch our senior students compete against local schools in our own Basketball competition Wednesdays 3.30 – 7.30pm. If you are available to do some refereeing feel free to pop in.

❖ Mr Uluilata's Boxing groups – Thursday.

Thurs; Kids 3:20 – 4:15pm / Adults 4:30 – 5:30pm.

Come join in the group sessions or use the equipment and the circuit. **Hall/Gym.

All open during term time.

** NB: Dance/Boxing - Due to staff meetings, courses, sports etc, please check with the office during the day of these classes that they have not been postponed. Ph [2359143](tel:2359143)

Hey all!

Our dance classes are back up and running next Tuesday now the weather has improved.

If you have some free time to take part or are able to help out, you are more than welcome to come into your school.

A huge thank you to all those of the community who have donated equipment to the boxing groups and playgroups, to those who have come in and helped with the breakfast club and homework club and to those who have braved the weather, bringing family members to these activities. The partnership is getting stronger, please spread the word!
Fa'afetai lava

Eddie Uluilata
Deputy Principal

Former Student Success

Jamal Mikaio's Basketball team has WON the National Competition making them the top team in NZ for their age group. It has been a very exciting year. Congratulations Jamal you are doing extremely well. !!!



'Cultural Day'

Rangikura School will be having a school wide cultural day on Wednesday 4 August. The aim for our students will be to experience other cultures from around the world. Activities of their chosen country will take part in the morning. This will be followed by a whole school sharing assembly at 12pm. Weather permitting; after lunch students will then partake in sporting activities of their chosen country.

Families are welcome to pop up, join in or help out!

Kind Regards
Paul Nees
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER



- 22 JulyPoroporoaki for Heather Clayton 10am
- 23 JulyYear 7 Immunisation talk 9.30am
.....School Assembly 10am
- 26 JulyBoard of Trustees meeting including reports on Technology, Strategic Goal
.....1 in library 6pm
- 27 JulyDuffy Theatre 11am
.....Board of Trustees training – National Standards 7pm
- 30 JulySTARS Assembly 10.15am
- 4 AugustSchool-wide Cultural Day
.....Next Newsletter
- 5 AugustHealthy Eating Day – no packaged food permitted
- 17 AugustArt Splash Concert 5.30pm