

KIA ORA – GREETINGS

JARED'S POWHIRI

Last Thursday, Mr Jared Bron was officially welcomed in as the new Tumuaki (Principal) of Riverdale School. The Pōwhiri started with Mrs Whitta performing a Karanga to call Mr Bron and his family into the School hall. Pā Jack represented the mana whenua and as such, spoke on behalf of the Riverdale staff and students. Mr Bron's brother in law spoke in response. Mrs Peck attended the Pōwhiri to pass on the Korowai belonging to Riverdale School's Tumuaki, to Mr Bron. Ngā Tewhatewha and the rest of the school sang to tautoko (support) each of the speakers, with Ngā Tewhatewha also performing a haka to welcome Mr Bron. We wish Mr Bron a very successful tenure as Principal of Riverdale School.



KANOHI KI TE KANOHI – PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

It was great to see such huge involvement from our community during our Kanohi ki te Kanohi mid-year parent interviews. Not only is it a great chance to pause, reflect and re-establish new learning goals, but just to touch base with teachers and gain a deeper understanding of your child's learning at school. We do want to thank our community for the early finishes at 1 pm as this allowed our teachers to spend a bit more time with each whanau.



To our new student:

We wish you happy days at Riverdale School
Lily W, Ava W, Xiaojin Z, Xiaoyu Z, Henry L, Lily L

TE AO MĀORI



TE REO – STAFF

This week sees Riverdale Staff embarking on our haerenga - journey into te reo Māori. It is with great pleasure and excitement that we have Tahi Gotty, a UCOL lecturer coming in each week this Term to guide us. This is a very exciting part of our Professional Development program to help enhance our skills and knowledge about te reo Māori. We are looking forward to sharing our knowledge with you. Kia kaha te reo Māori!



ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

Out of Zone Enrolments

Riverdale School will be holding our last ballot for the year in September. This is for students wanting to enrol for Term 1 and 2 of 2024.

All out of zone applications for new students and siblings of current out of zone students wanting to enrol at Riverdale School in 2024 are to be received by the school office before Tuesday 12 September 2023 for the ballot process.

Pre-enrolment applications for out of zone students are available from the school office or can be downloaded from the School website.

All In Zone Enrolments

To help us with our forecasting we are asking for enrolment forms to be completed and returned for all in zone new students and siblings of current students wanting to start in 2024. Where possible could these please be received by the school office before Tuesday 12 September otherwise as soon as known.

Enrolment at Riverdale School is governed by an Enrolment Scheme. Details of which are available from the school office or the school website.

SENIOR SCHOOL CAMP

Today a letter has gone home with all of our Year 4-6 students outlining some important information about next term's trip to Camp El Rancho. Please reach out to your child's whānau teacher if you did not receive this.



STRUCTURED LITERACY

Our staff continue to participate in professional learning in Structured Literacy.

Structured Literacy is an evidence-based approach that is grounded in the Science of Reading. As a school, we have partnered with Learning Matters and will be accessing the iDeal platform to ensure our teachers are well supported with this transition and the approach becomes embedded and sustainable across our school.

iDeal



COMMUNITY CONSULTATION - COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL



Community consultation and talking with parents is a vital component when establishing goals and next steps in a school. Over the remainder of the year, there will be consultation in many forms going out to the community to gather your voice which will determine the direction of Riverdale School.

One of those initiatives will be happening each **Wednesday between 8.30-9.30 am during Term 3**. Jared Bron, our new principal, will be in our library space making barista quality coffee and will be available for all caregivers to pop in and have a chat. This is a great chance to talk with the principal in a relaxed atmosphere about what we do well, what we could do better and future initiatives for our community. No need to book in, just turn up for a chat.

PNBHS ROADSHOW

Last Friday, we had a visit from the PNBHS Roadshow. Fifty very talented young men and their teachers performed for us. They took time during the performance to explain the different types of instruments. Lots of our tamariki were inspired and expressed a desire to learn a musical instrument. A highlight of the performance for Reuben and Hudson was that there was time for a quick photo with their Grandad, Mr Lauridsen, who is a teacher at PNBHS.



GYMNASTICS

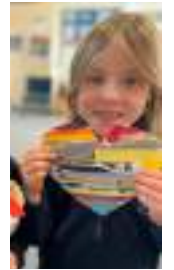
This term sees our tamariki participating in Gymnastics for PE. Over the term, we will be learning skills based on landings, locomotion, spring, rotation and balance. Mrs Ruawai used to be a competing gymnast and competitive gym coach, so we are utilising her expertise in this area with her leading professional development for the staff in the teaching of gymnastics, as well as taking an extension group of students at lunchtimes.

This is a great way to keep our tamariki moving with exercise during the colder weeks of the year.



PIAKO RIMU

Piako Rimu are super excited to be back at school in Term 3. We have got straight back into our learning with lots of Spelling practice and Reading tasks. We have also loved our Friday Opt-Ins with lava lamp making and using dye to create alien art!



LOST PROPERTY BOX

We have a new lost property box and it is in a new location by the entrance way into the office. We also have a small supply of jerseys in the office if you have lost one and need another over the winter period. Please come into the office and we will do our best to get you sorted.



GOLF EXPLORERS

Our Sports Explorers group is lucky to have Golf Pro Rhys Watkins in for a term to learn the art of Golf each Tuesday. Each group have 5 sessions with Rhys then they get to apply their skills with a trip to a real golf course. Mr Bron is very happy to play alongside our tamariki on this day!



TERM DATES

Events are also on the Parent Calendar via the School App and on the School Website;

Term 3 2023

Week 3

Monrad Intermediate Showcase - Tuesday 1st August
(All Y6's)

Week 4

Kind Hearts Reg. Event - Tues 8th August Y1-4
Kind Hearts Reg. Event - Wed 9th August Y5-6
Childrens University Massey Visit - Thu 10th August

Week 5

Communications Team Wellington Trip - Friday 18th August

Week 6

Daffodil Day - Friday 25th August

Week 7

Dance NZ Made Regional Competition - Fri 1st Sept

Week 8

RICOH Sports Tournament - Thurs 7th September
World Literacy Day Book Character Day - Fri 7th Sept
Dance NZ Made National Competition - Sat 9th Sept

Week 9

Teacher Only Day - Fri 15th September

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Piako Tahī

Layla Elgharably - for being a reliable and responsible class member.

Josiah Te Rauna - for his amazing effort in Math time. Tino pai.

Piako Rimu

Hudson Lock - for amazing Self Management and a great attitude.

Magnus Smith - for incredible creativity during Inquiry and STEAM activities.

Piako Rātā

Frankie Morland - for showing enthusiasm and striving for excellence in learning.

JJ Sealy - for making excellent self management choices during learning.

Pae Ake

Fletcher Garvey - for improved focus during learning time.

James Van Kampen - for enthusiasm towards his learning.

Leenaa Yang - for always striving for excellence.

Poutama

Sterling Rossiter - for renewed enthusiasm and improvement in Reading.

Liam Lister - for showing his progress when speaking te reo Māori! Ka mau te wehi!

Aurora Kiriona - For a positive attitude towards her learning and being responsible.

Pounamu Atawhai

Maelee Yang - For her enthusiasm in class and her dedication toward her learning.

Vanessa Woollaston - Piki ake te tihi. Striving for excellence in all that you do.

Logan Pearson - For striving for excellence in his learning. Ka pai!

Aria Heldreth - For your commitment to learning across the curriculum.



Monrad
Te Kura Waenga o Tirohanga

OPEN NIGHT

2023

**TUES
DAY**

Nau Mai, Tahuti Mai – Welcome

8 AUGUST

MONRAD TIROHANGA SCHOOL HALL

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

228 BOTANICAL ROAD



2024 ENROLMENTS ARE OPEN

Please visit our school website
www.monrad.school.nz



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Kind Hearts Fundraising Event

with guest speaker **David Letele** and **Silent Auction.**

Wednesday 9th August, 5.30pm - 7.30pm
Distinction Hotel, Cuba Street, Palmerston North

Tickets \$40, includes a drink on arrival and nibbles.
Cash/Eftpos Bar available.