

RHODE STREET SCHOOL

Everyone Growing and Respecting a Quality Learning Whanau

Principal's Korero

Kia te whanau and welcome to week 11, term 2, 2010, the last week of term.

There is no doubt that Rhode Street School has had a very busy term and that a lot of learning and teaching has occurred. We have three new Board of Trustees, several new families, and next term we will start **another new classroom**.

Room 12 will take the over-flow from our new entrant class and see the return of Mrs Keyser after have nearly a year's maternity leave. Parents of students who will go into Room 12 will be advised by Ms Ryan and Mrs McGregor this week. Room 12 will be set up in Kahikatea (our hall) and become a dedicated teaching space for the remainder of the school year. Assemblies will take place in the Vicki Signal Media Centre and in the Kai Time Café as required.

This Friday from 10.30 to 1.30 at Waterworld all of our swimmers who have taken part in the last two weeks of lessons will have an organised **swimming gymkhana**. Parents are welcome to come along and support their child in the events that will be offered. Students who have missed some lessons due to the pool being closed or technology/sports commitments will be credited for term four's swimming lessons. Over 30 students missed out on swimming lessons this term because parents left it to late to register. Therefore please be advised that our next two week block will be in weeks 1 and 2 of term 4, so please book now at the office.

Term 3 we are offering an **adult computer class** after school from 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm over 8 weeks here at Rhode Street. The class will be limited to 12 places so if you are interested please contact the school this week and leave your name and contact details at the office. The course will cover how you can help your child with a computer, how to use Microsoft word and how to create a CV. The course has no fee and is open to any Rhode Street School whanau member over the age of 16. Your children are more than welcome to stay with you while you attend the course.

Last Saturday I took 15 awesome students to the All Blacks / Welsh rugby test at Waikato Stadium. These students had an awesome time and represented our school and its community well. It was a proud moment when I witnessed their passion for the event and their spirit and respect for the opportunity they had. Thank you to the **Kids Can Trust** and **Adidas (NZ)** for their sponsorship and support in making this event happen.

Kids Can left a gift for every child at Rhode Street School as well: a **lunch box** which will be handed to every student on Friday after assembly.

By now you should have had your **Student Led Conference** with your child and their teacher. You should have received their **first written report** and where they are at against the NZ Curriculum National Standards in reading, writing and Maths. Teachers have been asked to contact you if you have not attended by now and ensure that you do before the end of this term. **We need you here** to receive your child's report and help write the most important part; *what you can do to help them at home with their learning*.

A busy term deserves a two week rest for everyone. Enjoy your children whanau; ensure they get plenty of love as well as firm boundaries around reading every day, practicing their Maths and getting out in the fresh air. Take the time to give them your time, know where they are at all times and keep them safe.

Mauriora

Shane Ngatai - *Principal and Proud if it*

Welcome to our school:

Arihia Ngaruhe-Kaneri Rm 9, Pounamu Taukiri Rm 5 Rhoma Wihongi Rm 4.

Rhode Street School Holiday Programme:

A notice is coming home to students enrolled in the Sustainable Kids After school programme, please fill this out and send back to school. There are still places for other students to enrol for the programme, Enrolments close this, Wednesday please fill out an enrolment form, from the school office.

Urgently required:

If you should be going through your childrens drawers and wardrobes over the holidays we urgently require changes of clothes for Students who get wet on the way to or at school, or for those little accidents. Any donations of clothing gratefully accepted.

Kai Time Café:

Change to the planned menu this week as Pat is wanting to use up what kai she has in stock, the weeks menu is as follows: Tuesday-American hotdogs, Wednesday-Macaroni Cheese, Thursday Nacho mince/chips, Friday-Kitchen closed due to swimming and class shared lunches by some classes.

Week 11	28 th June – 2 nd July
Monday 28 th June	Swimming resumes for 2 nd week
Tuesday 29 th June	Technology for Yr 7 & 8s
Friday 2 nd July	Special day of swimming for swimmers
Friday 2 nd July	1:45 pm Assembly – Last day of the term.
Monday 19 th July	Term 3 begins.

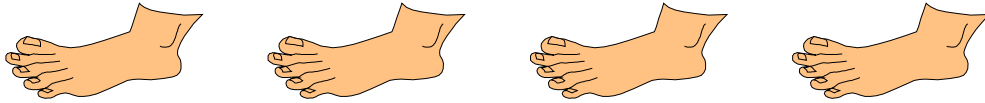
Community News:



Bodywise Programme Update (For managing weight issues in children 5-12 yrs)

Bodywise is a family based programme held in Hamilton aimed at managing weight issues in children of primary and intermediate school age. Our next age group, starting end of July is for children 8-9 years. Each group runs initially for 6 weeks, with twice weekly meetings, after which time children and their families are followed up with support for a period of 12 months. Label reading for healthy food choices, food preparation, family goal setting, introducing new foods and backyard games are just a few of the things included in the group activities. If you would like further information have a chat to your school public health nurse, or phone Helen or Soroya for an information leaflet or follow the link:

www.waikatodhb.govt.nz/page/pageid/2145848362/Bodywise Bodywise Programme is a District Health Board/ Sport Waikato initiative. Bodywise Programme contacts: Helen Stockman Bodywise Dietitian - 07 8383565 ext 2142 stockmaH@waikatodhb.govt.nz Soroya McGall–Bodywise Active Families Co-ordinator Sport Waikato 07 8585388 soroyam@sportwaikato.org.nz




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Walking school bus staff / helpers Year 7 & up
 Wednesday afternoons to start

Kahikatea Drive & Higgins Road routes to begin

Are you keen? - training, jackets, prizes, stickers, incentives, coffee etc all supplied

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We would like to start this initiative off in week 1 term 3. We cant keep our children safe without you!!!! So come and get connected, get fit and know you are making a difference. Pop in and see Mrs McGregor if you would like to know more. Or phone, txt or email her :) :)