



Kia Manawanui

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Kia ora koutou, dear Parents, Whānau, and Friends,

This week we welcomed Laytin Redman to Class 1, Cass Rochford to Pavitra's Kereru group, Archer Lamason and Daniel Aitken to Lotti's Kakariki group, Miranda Allen to Hetty's Piwakawaka group, and Bonnie Bödeker, Hazel Ross, Finn Winfield, and Annalise Hill to Olivia's Nursery group – Nau mai, haere mai to these tamariki and their whānau.

Class 7 are busy investigating and constructing a traditional ollas irrigation system for the upcoming 'Sustainable Home and Garden Show'. We look forward to hearing more about this in next week's newsletter.

As the weather becomes more changeable, please ensure that your children have useful layers of clothing, and perhaps consider to equip them with slippers or socks for those cold morning floors in the classrooms.

Nga mihi mahana,

Andrea Sorger, on behalf of the College of Teachers

(Sue Hurst, Jutta Kress, Elien Hoffmans, and Andrea Sorger)

Diary of Dates

Thursday 26 February	Te Ra Toymakers meet from 7pm
Friday 27 February	Parent Craft Group 9am
Friday 27 February	Information Afternoon 2.30pm
Tuesday 3 March	Kitchen Club 10am-12noon
Tuesday 3 March	Piwakawaka (Hetty's) Kindergarten Parent Evening 7.30pm
Wednesday 4 March	Class 5 Parent Evening 6.30pm
Thursday 5 March	Korimako (Shelly's) Kindergarten Parent Evening 7pm
Thursday 5 March	Fair Core Group Meeting 9-10am
Thursday 5 March	Te Ra Toymakers meet from 7pm

Friday 6 March	Parent Craft Group 9am
Tuesday 10 March	Class 3 Parent Evening
Wednesday 11 March	Keruru (Pavitras) Kindergarten Parent Evening 7-9pm
Thursday 12 March	Fair Core Group Meeting 9-10am
Thursday 12 March	Te Ra Toymakers meet from 7pm
Thursday 12 March	Class 4 Parent Evening 7pm
Friday 13 March	Parent Craft Group 9am
Monday 16 March	Ruru (Marianna's) Kindergarten Parent Evening 7-9pm
Tuesday 17 March	Kakariki (Lotti's) Kindergarten Parent Evening 7pm
Thursday 19 March	Sharing Assembly
Thursday 19 March	Fair Core Group Meeting 9-10am
Thursday 19 March	Te Ra Toymakers meet from 7pm
Friday 20 March	Parent Craft Group 9am
21 & 22 March	Class 7 – Sustainable Home and Garden Show
Thursday 26 March	Fair Core Group Meeting 9-10am
Thursday 26 March	Te Ra Toymakers meet from 7pm
Thursday 26 March	BoT Meeting 7pm
Friday 27 March	Parent Craft Group 9am
Friday 27 March	Information Afternoon 2.30pm
Saturday 28 March	Working Bee 9am-4pm
Thursday 2 April	Last Day Term 1

From the Office

Reminder - Special Character Donations

We are very close to a 100% return rate for the 2015 pledge. Thank you for this very good response. Also, please remember to make sure you have initiated your automatic payments to account 03 0732 0293275 01. Everyone will shortly receive a statement in the mail showing this year's pledge, any debits or credits from last year, and payments to 28th February. Please check for accuracy and get back to Ralph (ralph@tera.school.nz) with any alterations.

Reminder - Disbursements

These are \$225 per child for the year and may be paid at any time to account 03 0732 0443499 00. Thank you to those of you who have already paid. Statements will be issued later in term two with minor additions for Cooking, Woodwork etc., as applicable. Don't forget, flutes, recorders, fountain pens, and some trips and camps are either paid for or subsidised by the FRMG (Fund-Raising Management Group), and also the string programme in Class 3 too.

Reminder - Bus Payments

Bus payments for term 1 should now be paid. In case you have overlooked this, please pay to account 03 0732 0293275 01. Any queries, please contact Ralph at the school office.

Working Bee

Yes, what you have all been waiting for; the keenly anticipated Te Rā Working Bee will be held on Saturday March 28th. There will be two shifts, 9am to 1pm and 12 midday to 4pm, with lunch for everyone at 12.

One lucky class will be assigned the job of feeding the hungry hordes, with a separate table for the underage workers.

As part of your enrolment agreement, we expect each family to do 2 working bees a year, or pay \$200 in lieu.

We try to run 4 working bees a year, one a term; this next one is to tidy the school up in preparation for the Harvest Fair early next term.

If you bring your own favourite gardening tools, please ensure they are named.

Paekakariki Kindy organize their own working bees during the year; your teachers will let you know when they occur.

School Directory

The 2015 School Directory will be printed for all families next week. If you would like to include your business or service in the Trade Directory and haven't already contacted the office, please do so by Friday 28/2.

Community Events

Kitchen Club

Season of the nightshades.....Join us for an exploration of this colourful family on 3rd March, 10am - 12noon in the Te Rā school kitchen. All welcome. \$5 plus \$5 for ingredients. To find out more about the Kitchen Club or to RSVP for this occasion please contact Debbie ter Borg (ph 04 565 1780 or email debyterborg@hotmail.com)

Craft Group

Will now be held each Friday morning in the school handwork room from 9am. Please come along if you would like to help make craft for the Fair or work on your own project. No experience necessary. Please phone Maya 027 4417427.

Te Rā Toymakers

Meet each Thursday from 7:00pm, in the Woodwork room.

Tēnā koutou katoa, ngā mihi nui kia koutou!



Te kupu o tēnei wiki: **pirihimana**
(police officer)

Pātai atu ki te **pirihimana**
(Ask the police officer)

More information, and a link to the list of all kupu, can be found on this website: <http://www.korero.maori.nz/news/mlw>



Waldorf Education on the Kapiti Coast

- ❖ How can we help young people develop a lifelong enthusiasm for learning and work?
- ❖ How can the way in which children are educated foster a healthy self-awareness?
- ❖ How can education help them understand the needs of peoples of all cultures and the needs of the environment?

All prospective School and Kindergarten parents
are warmly invited to our

Information Afternoons 2.30pm

Friday, 27th February
Friday, 27th March

at Te Rā Waldorf School, 89 Poplar Ave, Raumati South
There will be plenty of opportunity for questions.
Or phone the office on 04 299-0812 for an information pack.