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## Newsletter No 8 – 10 June 2021

Our children will discover who they can be

### THE ADVENTURE WAY

We learn ... We care... We act...

Curious

Creative

Collaborative

Self-directed

Self-aware



Welcome to our new students. It's great to have you join our Adventure family!

**Room 12:** Penelope Taylormallon-Shaw,  
Chloe Coburn, Izzy Alderdice-Sole, Ashley Gibbons,  
Ella Gibbons

### From our Principal



Kia ora koutou e te whānau

Whakataka te hau ki te uru,  
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.

Kia mākinakina ki uta,

Kia mātaratara ki tai.

E hī ake ana te atākura

He tio, he huka, he hauhu

Tihei mauri ora

### Staffing

Welcome Back Karen.

Last week we started a new entrant roll growth class so we were able to welcome back Karen Freeman to our staff. Over the last few years Karen has made herself available to start our roll growth classes. We are exceptionally lucky to have a teacher of Karen's quality and specific knowledge of learning through play to begin the learning journey for our new tamariki.

Also new to the Year One team is Carly St-Laurent, teaching in Room 12 on Fridays and Georgia Vaughan, releasing Rebecca St Clair in Room 7, on Wednesdays.

### The Teen Brain Strain

You have the first thousand days of their life to build their brain, then you have until about eleven to influence their character and values and after that you just have to live with them

Nathan Wallis

## He Māori Ahau (I am Māori) Whānau Hui

Last Thursday evening we held our He Māori Ahau (I am Māori) Whānau Hui. The hui was a huge success, with ninety people attending. The hui was led by Matua Whaitiri Poutawa and whānau were able to see and hear about the programme which allows students to explore their Māoritanga with an emphasis on Hauora (wellbeing) and Tū Pono (identity and knowing oneself). The programme is targeted at young Māori to connect with their Māoritanga and form positive self-identity as Māori within their kura and their challenging world.

Carl McManaway does a great job leading Te Reo Māori in our school and working alongside Matua Whaitiri with the He Māori Ahau roopu.

A very positive by-product of the hui is that twelve names were added to the list of people wanting to commit themselves to our Whānau Roopu, which is made up of a group of interested parents who meet termly to offer our school a Māori perspective as kaitiaki (guardians) for our tauira (students) as they engage with te Ao Māori (the Māori world). If this is something you would like to find more about, please email Carl McManaway [cmcmanaway@adventure.school.nz](mailto:cmcmanaway@adventure.school.nz) or John Wootton [principal@adventure.school.nz](mailto:principal@adventure.school.nz) and we will extend you an invite once our next hui date is confirmed.



## Health and Physical Education Community Survey

At Adventure School children are taught about and participate in, many Health and Physical Education programmes and activities. All New Zealand schools are required to survey their community once every two years in relation to Health and P.E. As part of our two-yearly review of the Health curriculum, we ask for your input to help us in ensuring that we are providing programmes and activities that Whanau feel are important in meeting the needs of our students.

There are four sections to this survey - Health, Physical Education, Sexuality Education and other comments. Sexuality Education is a programme taught at Year 7 and 8 level only. We welcome feedback on this from all parents, regardless of whether you have children at these year levels.

A link to the survey will be sent out by email. We invite you to respond by selecting "Not Important", "Important" or "Really Important - Vital for our children to learn" from the drop-down menu for each component of our Health, PE and Sexuality Education programmes.

This survey link can be used to submit results from more than one parent/caregiver in the household. All results will be collated and taken into consideration when planning 2022-2023 programmes. Your selections and comments are anonymous.

## Our New Storage Container Has Arrived



Strange new trend at the office. People putting names on food in the company fridge. Today I had a tuna sandwich named Kevin.



### Words Of Wisdom

Before you act - **Listen**  
Before you react - **Think**  
Before you spend - **Earn**  
Before you criticise - **Wait**  
Before you Entreat - **Forgive**  
Before you quit – **Try**

Ernest Hemingway

*Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.*

**John Wootton**  
(Principal)





## Rimu Arts Rotation



The true purpose of arts education is not necessarily to create more professional dancers or artists. [It's] to create more complete human beings who are critical thinkers, who have curious minds, who can lead productive lives.

KELLY POLLOCK

This term Rimu Syndicate are involved in an arts rotation. Each class gets an opportunity to be involved in 5 different activities.

**The Adventure Way in action.**



**Visual Art** – looking at the elements of colour, line and shape to create fun and interesting pieces.



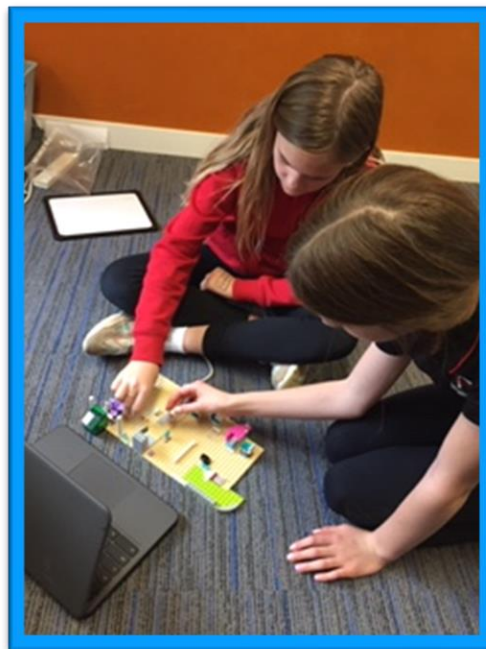
**Drama** - Exploring links between colour, emotion and drama through fairy tales, fables and Te Ao Māori contexts.



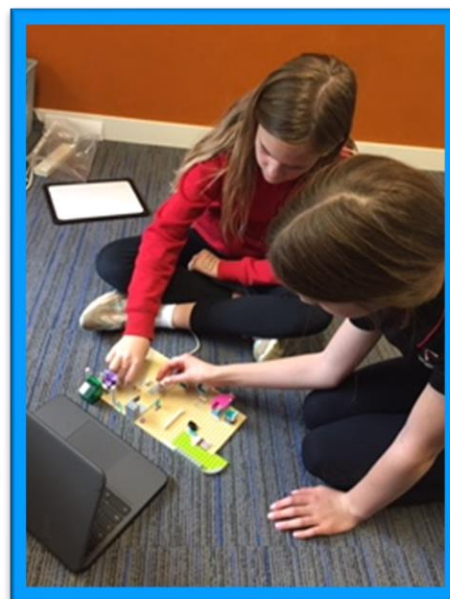
**Dance** – showing a range of movement/dances from around the world.



**Music** – percussion. Exploring beat and rhythm using body and voice.



**Digital technologies** – Creating a movie using stop motion and adding music which enhances the movie or creates a mood.



**We are all having a lot of fun exploring the arts.**

“It’s lots of fun!”

“We want to do more. It is too short.”

“The dance is cool.”

“Trying new stuff is fun.”

“I am working with kids I haven’t worked with before.”

“Stop motion was awesome.”

“Some of it is challenging.”

“I learned to blend colours.”

“It is fun learning dances from other countries.”



## Sports Spot - Rippa Rugby

On May 18 two year 5/6 and one year 7/8 team competed in the Paraplim Rippa Rugby tournament at the Ngati Toa Domain. Each team demonstrated some great skill and sportsmanship. They all represented Adventure School with pride and should be very proud of themselves and the teams results. This great day would not have been possible without the wonderful parents who provided transport and management of the teams.



What a super event our school cross country turned out to be last week! The event commanded much organisation, time and commitment, and we are very grateful to Daniel Wright, Richard McQueen and their wonderful team for making this day such a success. Here are our top three runners for each year level.

## KOWHAI RESULTS

Year 1  
Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Manaia Temarama  
2<sup>nd</sup> Micah Treeby  
3<sup>rd</sup> Andrew Buynyachenko

## Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Quinn Spalding  
2<sup>nd</sup> Indigo Eastham  
3<sup>rd</sup> Eloise Chandler

Year 2  
Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Brody Burrows  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ryder Gaylard  
3<sup>rd</sup> Jackson Paul

## Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Maisie Forsyth  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sophie Beckford  
3<sup>rd</sup> Chloe Lieu-Li

## NIKAU RESULTS

Year 3  
Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Jacob Penno  
2<sup>nd</sup> Seb Pyne  
3<sup>rd</sup> Rocco de Graaff

## Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Annie van Son  
2<sup>nd</sup> Allee-Rose McIntyre  
3<sup>rd</sup> Scarlet Gibbons

Year 4  
Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Joshua Penno  
2<sup>nd</sup> Seb Smit  
3<sup>rd</sup> Riley Buswell

## Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Layla Starr  
2<sup>nd</sup> Isabella Frew  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sienna Bridge

## RIMU RESULTS

Year 5  
Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Xander Last  
2<sup>nd</sup> Kody Cotter  
3<sup>rd</sup> Carter Lawrence

## Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Cara Johnstone  
2<sup>nd</sup> Pearl Albiston  
3<sup>rd</sup> Chloe Po

Year 6  
Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Cameron Starr  
2<sup>nd</sup> Malachi Blackshaw  
3<sup>rd</sup> Taylor de Graaff

## Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Macy Chambers  
2<sup>nd</sup> Kaylee Burrows  
3<sup>rd</sup> Indie Spalding

## RIMU RESULTS

Year 7  
Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> William Caldwell  
2<sup>nd</sup> Luke van Son  
3<sup>rd</sup> James Carr

## Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Elliot Cox  
2<sup>nd</sup> Zoe Grant- Fargie  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ashlee Baker-Kingsbeer

Year 8  
Boys

- 1<sup>st</sup> Darius Alefosio  
2<sup>nd</sup> Gal Becher  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ishaan Khan

## Girls

- 1<sup>st</sup> Daniella Starr  
2<sup>nd</sup> Matilda Po  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sienna Pickering





## **FREE Dental Checks!**

### **(Adventure School)**

The Bee Healthy Dental Mobile will be parked at your school in term 2 – 3 from 7<sup>th</sup> July to 20<sup>th</sup> August 2021. Once seen, your child will be given a completion certificate which will inform you of what happens next.

**Please search your child's school bag for one of the following:**

- Your child requires no further appointments this year
- Your child needs an appointment at your local Dental hub for further care.

Your local Hub clinic is:

Brandon Dental clinic  
32 Driver Crescent  
Cannons Creek  
Porirua

If you have pre-school aged children please call us to arrange an appointment for their annual dental checkup at the Dental Hub.

To book or reschedule your appointment, or update your contact details, please call **0800 TALK TEETH (825 583)**



Private Bag 31907 Lower Hutt  
[www.beehealthy.org.nz](http://www.beehealthy.org.nz) | 0800 TALK TEETH (825 583)



After COVID put the kibosh on many of our school events last year, the excitement in the lead up to this term's disco was palpable.

Organized by our PTNi, the Neon Disco was extremely well received and raised \$1800 towards improving our school's outdoor environment (full details of these plans to follow in a later newsletter).

A smaller selection of glow products were available for sale (extremely popular as always!), along with some new additions: face painting, hairspray streaks, and neon nail polish - glow in the dark too! Black lights lit the hall as music pumped, thanks to our DJ (a fellow parent), and the kids danced up a storm reminiscent of the eighties.

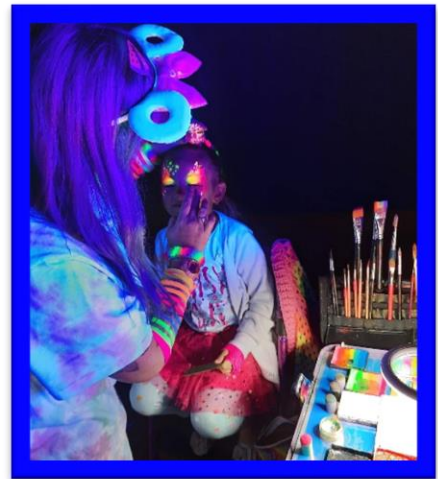
When it was time for a break, there was pizza, sausages in bread, popcorn, lollies and a variety of other options available, as well as cold drinks. For those parents that had pre-purchased entire pizzas via Kindo, Friday night's dinner was sorted as they arrived.

An addition to this year's disco was the provision of a quiet space in the Learning Studio. Parents and non-school children could put their feet up, enjoy a tea or coffee and something from the sweet treat buffet for a gold coin donation. Unsurprisingly, this was popular, with many parents relishing a moment of quiet.

Also on hand at the disco was another parent and some of our senior students (Finn, Zoe and Natasha) to provide guidance as to what could be recycled and what was for landfill. With sustainability being a key focus at school and in our wider community, we were thrilled their efforts paid off and at the end of the night there were only two bags of rubbish. An amazing effort!

A huge thanks to everyone who attended, our parent helpers, student helpers, and our PTNi Committee for organizing. This event definitely generated a feeling of school community.

Plans are afoot for our next event, so make sure you like the Adventure School PTNi Facebook page to keep updated!





## Important Dates for Your Calendar

*Please be aware some details may change*



### TERM TWO

<b>Week 7</b>	Monday 14 June	6.30: BOT Meeting
	Tuesday 15 June	Parumoana Cross Country
	Thursday 17 June	Parumoana Cross Country pp
	Friday 18 June	Lucky Book Club Issue 4 orders close
<b>Week 8</b>	Tuesday 22 June	Parumoana Cross Country ppp
	Thursday 24 June	<b>Teacher's Paid Union Meeting (School closes at 1pm)</b>
	Friday 25-Sunday 27 June	40 Hour Famine
<b>Week 9</b>	Friday 2 July	Sausage Sizzle
<b>Week 10</b>	Monday 5 July	6.30: BOT Meeting
	Tuesday 6 July	Regional Cross Country
	Wednesday 7 July	Dental Van on-site
	Thursday 8 July	Regional Cross Country pp
	Friday 9 July	Mid-year reports sent home Final day of Term 2

### 2021 Term Dates

<b>Term One:</b>	Friday 5 February – Friday 16 April
<b>Term Two:</b>	Monday 3 May - Friday 9 July
<b>Term Three:</b>	Monday 26 July - Friday 1 October
<b>Term Four:</b>	Monday 18 October to Thursday 16 December

#### School will be closed on the following days:

<b>Waitangi Day:</b>	Monday 8 February
<b>Easter:</b>	Friday 2, Monday 5 & Tuesday 6 April
<b>Queen's Birthday:</b>	Monday 7 June
<b>Teacher Only Day:</b>	<b>Tuesday 8 June</b> (Term 2)
<b>Labour Day:</b>	Monday 25 October
<b>Teacher Only Days:</b>	<b>Friday 19 November &amp; Monday 22 November</b> (Term 4)



## Community Notices

### **Plimmerton Kindergarten mid-Winter Dip, Karehana Bay**

11am – 1pm Sunday 20 June. Dip at 12pm.

Celebrating 25 years of this event! Bring cash for: the Big Dig, Costume Contest, Sausage Sizzle, bacon & egg butties, bake sale, \$3500+ raffle prizes, spot prizes and more.

### **Arty Farty Kids Ltd**

New Wednesday afternoon class starting 16 June.

If you have a budding Arty Farty Kid that might be interested in signing up please contact: [office.artyfartykids@gmail.com](mailto:office.artyfartykids@gmail.com)

### **Hutts Got Talent**

We loved watching your students perform in Battle of the Bands and we would love to see your students perform again on the big stage this year and win some awesome prizes at our 2021 Hutts Got Talent event! Don't worry if you do not live in the Hutt it is open to anyone in the Wellington region :)

We are running 4 heats in the Hutt Valley and then a grand final to a packed out Town Hall!

[Click here](#) to sign up and find out more information! :)

### **Experience what life is like at Whitby Collegiate at Experience Day where your child will spend a day in class with our friendly staff & students.**

Dates: Friday 25 June or Friday 2 July

Time: 8:45am - 3:15pm

If you're interested in your child attending on either of the available dates, please register on our website [here](#) or give us a call on 04 234 1070.

If you would like to tour our school, please register your interest [here](#) or telephone the above number.

We'd be delighted to show you our school and tell you more in person.

2022 Scholarships are available. To find out more, please visit our website [here](#).

We are living in Murphys Road and have ended up with a quarry within metres of our property. This quarry was only meant to be open to gain materials for the Transmission Gully project and was supposed to close last year. Unfortunately, it is still running and now Fulton Hogan would like to keep it going for the next 35 years. This quarry is in Judgeford and is accessed off SH58 between Murphys / Flights Roads and Mulhern.

We have started a Society, Judgeford Environmental Protection Society Inc. with surrounding neighbours and interested parties, to fight this, but need more funding to pay for our experts in court. To this end we are running a fundraising event at Pauatahanui Lighthouse. Details are:

Movie is F9 – Fast & Furious

Sunday 4 July. Arrive from 7pm, movie starts at 7.30pm.

Tickets are \$25 with spot prizes

*Cheryl Anderson, Murphy's Road resident*

## School Holiday Activities

### **Winter Holiday Programme @ Adventure School, 12 - 23 July 2021**

**BOOKINGS OPEN from Friday, 11 June!** 2 weeks of popular and exciting activities await your child (e.g. Trip to Rimutaka Gym, Awesome Bounce, Laserforce, Ice Skating @ Frosty Spot, Space Place, Roller Skating Rink, Movies @ Lighthouse Cinema and much more).

BOOK ONLINE: [www.asfc.co.nz](http://www.asfc.co.nz) or for more information e-mail [holprog@asfc.co.nz](mailto:holprog@asfc.co.nz)  
or call 027-454-6975. Our opening times are 7.30 am - 5.00 / 5.30pm. We are  
approved for Oscar subsidies! Children from all schools are welcome 😊

AFTER SCHOOL



Holiday Programme @ Adventure School