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### Tēnā koutou whānau o te kura o Te Wai Hirere

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

Ko Tangi Te Keo te maunga (Mt Victoria is the mountain we look up to)

Ko Te Whanganui a Tara te moana (The Harbour is the sea that calms our spirits)

Ko Te Wai Hirere te kura (Te Wai Hirere is our place to connect, our school)

### Kia ora Roseneath Whānau

We have had another busy week of learning at Roseneath School. I have been impressed with the way classes are settled into routines and love to see the varied activities taking place. I have seen Aft experimenting with chromatography by mixing dyes and using pipettes; Lower Deck were exploring rhyming words in phonics: Long Boat have been explaining how cyclones are formed in writing - the curriculum in action!

Teachers have had a couple of long days with Learning Conferences this week. With one or two catchup dates to come we have seen almost all parents to discuss their child's goals. Ka mau to wihi - awesome!

In the afternoon of Monday 27 February, the teacher's union NZEI are holding paid union meetings to discuss their collective agreement which is under negotiation. Classes will continue with some combining during that time.

We have been thinking of our colleagues in flood affected areas of the country and the challenges they are facing. We would like to raise some funds that a flood affected school can use. Look out for more information to come.

Finally we launch Movin' March on Wednesday and encourage students to Walk of Wheel to school or part of the way if possible.

## **Assemblies**

Our next full school assembly is next Friday 3 March in the hall just after 9am. At this assembly Rōpu Leaders will be announced - candidates have prepared and presented their election speeches to their Rōpu or House group today. Votes have been taken and decisions made.

Following the assembly I invite you to stay as I will take this opportunity to share information about the school. This will be followed by morning tea.

# **Island Bay Marine Education Centre Visits- Change of date**

The amended dates for the trip to Island Bay Marine Education Centre are as follows:

Monday 6 March The Long boat and Upper Bridge 12.30-2pm

Thursday 30 March Aft, Lower Deck, Upper Deck 12.30-2pm

If you are able to help out with supervision please email your child's teacher or to Nic in the office nicola.dunne@roseneath.school.nz

# **School Swimming 2022**

Our swimming lessons at Berhampore School are going well. Thank you for remembering to pack a swimming bag on Tuesdays for years 1-4.

### Te Reo o te Wiki

Here are some commands used in the classroom that you could try at home.

Titiro mai. - Look this way.

Whakarongo mai. - Listen here.

Kia ata noho. - Be quiet

Kia tau. - Be still, be calm.

**Kia tere.** - Be quick.

Horoia ō ringaringa. Wash your hands.

Haere mai ki konei. Come over here.

kia ata noho

(be quiet)



# Roseneath School 125 years 1898—2023

It is the school's 125th this year and the Board would like to set up a committee to oversee this event. If you have some time and would like to contribute to organising an event for ex and current pupils/families and staff, please contact the office on office@roseneath.school.nz



## Let's Get Movin' in March!

We're a Movin'March school and counting down to Wednesday the 1<sup>st</sup> March when we'll start stamping passports at the gate as part of the Walk or Wheel Passport Challenge all through March. To kick off Movin' March the school will head to Waitangi Park on Wednesday 1st March 1.30pm - 3.00pm for an afternoon of fun and activities supported by the Play Trailer. Everyone is welcome to join us and it is a great opportunity to connect with others, chat to the teachers, and get involved in some enjoyable games. We are looking forward to seeing you there!!

Walking or wheeling to school is a great way to get active, know your neighbourhood, kick start learning for the day AND take care of the environment. Remember students don't have to complete their passports to go in the draw to win a \$400 MYRIDE voucher at the end of March!

Keep an eye out for the Mā raro, mā wīra (walk or wheel) cards coming home today!

Fancy going in the draw to win a scooter? Parents who take part in our Whānau photo competition on Facebook or Instagram will be in to win 1 of 5 adult or child Micro Scooters and helmets or a Family Pass to Staglands or Zea-

landia. Check out the Movin'March website for more on these competitions and how you can take part.

Park & Stride—If you live 'too far away' why not try a Park and Stride? You can still get your passport stamped at the gate! It helps reduce congestion around the school gate, gives tamariki exercise and whānau get to share precious moments on the way to or from school.



# Ideas for all the Whānau:

- •Check our <u>Walk and Wheel Safety</u> page for guidelines for whānau to safely walk or wheel to school
- •Have a chuckle while you learn all about scooter safety with our <u>scooter safety videos</u> featuring the cast of TV show Wellington Paranormal
- •<u>Micro Scooters</u> are not only awesome sponsors for Movin'March, they also have awesome <u>safety tips</u> or check out Waka Kotahi's comprehensive <u>Education Portal</u>
- •Get more information about Walking School Buses on our Movin'March website.

## Upper Deck Learning

We are looking forward to our trip to the Island Bay Marine Education Centre on Thursday 30th March. Our class is working on learning about the Nature of Science in relation to Rocky Shores to prepare for the upcoming visit. We have been focusing on the Understanding about science curriculum area where we appreciate that scientists ask questions about our world that lead to investigations, and that open-mindedness is important because there may be more than one explanation.

We have been learning research skills to investigate our questions and students are beginning to question where the best place to find correct scientific information is from. Here is some information that we have researched.

Sea Urchin - They are sometimes called sea eggs. Seaweed is one of their main foods. - Anjali



Starfish - There are about 2000 different kinds of starfish. Most starfish has arms, - Indigo

Sea Anemones have no blood, heart or brains. However, some can live up to 50 years. - Fabienne





Jellyfish - A group of jellyfish is called a smack. Their bodies are smooth and squishy. - Maddie

Another key part of the science capabilities is being able to use evidence to come to conclusions. We are working on being able to describe what we have seen and draw pictures with labels of our understanding. Here are some descriptions about an area in the school grounds. Can you guess where?

"The big, solid tree sits in the ground quietly. Bright green leaves swaying up in the sky. Cicadas buzzing loudly while they hide in the bushes. Other predators, beetles and birds spy on them. Sitting on smooth wood, I'm writing about the nature around me." - Mia

"I hear cicadas singing, leaves falling, butterflies fluttering, birds wondering, people talking, bees buzzing softly." - Lexi

"I can hear cicadas buzz buzz buzzing in the tree above me hiding. I can see green trees of pure bark swaying in the breeze. - Anjali

"It's a playground, under dozens of swishy trees, cicadas squawking their annoying song, green leaves rustling on brown tree branches. Supernovas spinning with feet. Yellow slides, bark flying from little hands, people playing happily." - Sophia





The Powhiri at Cashmere School





Ngā manaakitanga Take care of yourselves and each other Jenny Foote and the Roseneath School team

### **Community Notices**



### Hataitai Litter Blitz, Sunday 12 March, 3-5pm

It's time for the Autumn Hataitai Litter Blitz! A chance for you, friends and family, to join with neighbours and help keep our streets clean.

Come to the downstairs part of the Hataitai Centre & Village Green (former Bowling Club) from 3pm to collect rubbish bags, instructions and get a street allocated for clearing rubbish (BYO gloves or we can supply).

On your return please stay for a thank you sausage sizzle and refreshments, including ice blocks for the kids. Kindly sponsored by our friends at the 4Square, with spot prizes from Coolsville and the opportunity for a discount beer at the Waitoa after the event.