



Rongomai School

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NEWSLETTER

Rāapa 17 Haratua 2017 – Wednesday 17 May 2017

Tēnā koutou, Kia orana,
Malo ni, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Talofa
lava, Malo e lelei, Mauri, Namaste
and Greetings!

Classroom Changes

This term we have had to move some of our students into new classes due to the roll growth in our Junior classes. Our new classroom make up is as follows:

Room 2: Miss Tumutoa (Years 4/5)

Room 3: Matua Tony (Years 4-6)

Room 4: Matua Vae (Years 4-6)

Room 5: Miss Vaha'akolo (Year 1)

Room 6: Matua Lui (Year 3)

Room 7: Matua Isacc (Year 4-6)

Room 8: Matua Hone (Years 2/3)

Room 9: Whaea Alleena (Year 1)

Room 10: Matua Altar (Year 2/3)

Our teachers are usually in their classes at 8.15am every morning if you need to have a quick chat about your child.

Museum Trip

Just a reminder that our museum trip has been postponed to next Wednesday 24th May. All money and permission slips need to be brought into school no later than this Friday 19th May. All trip money can be paid to your child's classroom teacher. Do not pay at the school office. Please ensure you have the correct amount as our teachers do not carry any change.

Sathya Sai Community Day

Just a reminder that Sathya Sai Preschool is hosting their annual

Community Day event at Rongomai School this Saturday 20th May from 10-2pm. The Sathya Sai Team have been diligently planning and preparing for this day for some time now and will definitely have some great activities and stalls set up for everyone to enjoy. Please take some time out of your Saturday and check it out. There's bound to be a lot of freebies and goodies for everyone. Hope you can attend!

Afterschool Pick-ups

Our school finishes at 2.45pm every day however, we often have children waiting to be picked up at 4pm which is too late. We do not provide after school supervision due to afterschool meetings, courses and general classroom preparations however, there is a SKIDS afterschool programme onsite every day. Might I suggest that families enrol their children in this programme especially if

you're unable to pick your children up on time. If you are interested in SKIDS, please contact Rush De Silva for more information: 0800 386 543 or email: rush@skids.co.nz

Children waiting at the gates

Just a reminder that we do not leave any of our children waiting at the gates after 2.55-3pm. All children left waiting at the gate after this time is brought back to school by the Walking Bus duty teachers. If your child is not at the school gates waiting for you then they are most likely waiting at the school office (if wet) or playground. Please collect them from these places.

School Netball

This year we are entering a boys and girls' netball team in the Otara Primary Schools Netball Tournament. Matua Lui and his boys' team train at school every morning from 7.30am.

After training, Matua Lui takes his team for breakfast in Room 1. Miss Tumutoa and her girls' team train at least 2-3 times a week during morning tea and lunch. Here are the details for the upcoming netball tournament:

Date: **Friday 2nd June**

Where: **Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre, Lloyd Elsmore Park**



East Tamaki Rugby

East Tamaki Rugby Club have spaces available to register children for the following teams: Under 11s, Under 10s, Under 8s, Under 7s, Under 6s.

You can register your child online at:
<http://www.sporty.co.nz/easttamakirfc>

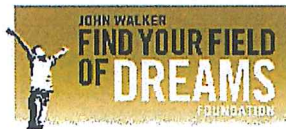
For more info contact:

Pat Taka - 021 175 2394

Theo Taka - 021 084 95137

The Rugby Club is also open for registrations on the following days:

- Wed 17 May - 4.30-6pm
- Thurs 18 May - 4.30-6pm
- Sat 20 May - 9.30am - 12pm
- Mon 22 May - 4.30-6pm
- Tues 23 May - 4.30-6pm
- Wed 24 May - 4.30-6pm
- Thurs 25 May - 4.30-6pm



Swimming Programme

I would like to thank the Find Your Field of Dreams Organisation for funding our Community Swimming Programme. FYFOD cover the cost to pay for our Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 students to receive free swimming lessons. The organisation also pays for the bus that transports our students to and from the Otara pools. We are very grateful to the FYFOD organisation for investing in our children's education around water

safety and are therefore committed to supporting them in any way we can.



Feed the Need - Winter Boost Lunch Programme

I am pleased to inform you that our school has been chosen again for the Winter Boost Programme.

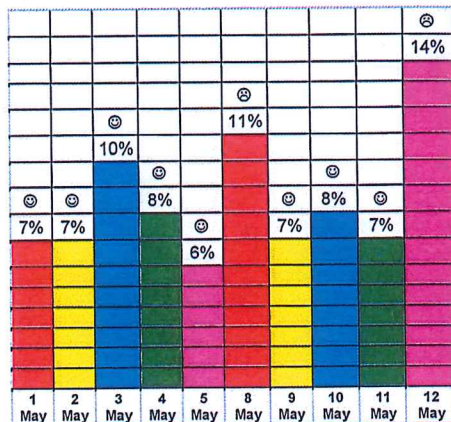


Thank you to our sponsors *Harcourts Cooper & Co* who raised the funds to make it possible for Rongomai to be on this programme. Because of their generosity and hard work, every one of our students will receive a hot and nutritious meal twice a week for ten weeks of the winter season.

The programme will begin on Tuesday 13th June. Please see the attached information sheet for more details.

Lateness Rate

Just a reminder that our school day starts at 8.45am. Children should aim to arrive at school by 8.30am to avoid being late. There have been a couple of days this term where we've missed the goal and had more than 10% of our students arrive late. Our goal is to keep this percentage to 10% or less. See the graph below for the first two weeks' lateness rate this term:



Kia manuia,

Paeriki Johnson
Paeriki Johnson (Principal)

Upcoming Events

MAY

Thurs 18th, 25th - Swimming Programme (Years 3-6)

Sat 20th - Sathya Sai Community Day

Wed 24th Whole School Museum Trip

Mon 29th CMS Rugby Programme (Years 4-6)

29th May - 2nd June - Samoan Language Week

Wed 31st - Hearing and Vision Testing

- FMS Sports Programme (Years 1-3)

- BoT Meeting (5-7pm)

JUNE

Thurs 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd - Swimming Programme (Yrs 3-6)

Mon 5th - Queen's Birthday (School is closed)

Tues 6th - AECOM Bike Training (Years 5/6)

Wed 7th FMS Sports Programme (Years 1-3)

Mon 12th - CMS Rugby League Programme (Yrs 4-6)

Tues 13th - Otara Schools Rugby League

Mon 19th - 30th - Dental Van in school

Wed 28th FMS Sports Programme (Yrs 1-3)

JULY

Wed 5th - Report Evening with Parents (2-7pm)

Thurs 6th Reports with Parents (3-5pm)

Fri 7th - Last Day of Term 2

Child's Name:

Room

I have read this week's school newsletter (17/5/17) **YES/NO**

Parent's signature: _____

Winter Boost Lunch Programme

PARENT INFORMATION SHEET

Hot lunches for all Rongomai students
Brought to our school by *Feed the Need* and
sponsored by *Harcourts Cooper & Co*

13 Jun – 31 Aug (Every Tue & Thu)



What's on the Menu?

A range of tasty, hot lunches that come with bread rolls, pita bread or corn chips.

Tue, 13 Jun	Winter Lamb Stew
Thu, 15 Jun	Butternut & Bacon Soup
Tue, 20 Jun	Beef Goulash
Thu, 22 Jun	Savoury Chicken
Tue, 27 Jun	Italian Beef & Veg Soup
Thu, 29 Jun	Creamy Chicken Pasta
Tue, 4 Jul	Winter Lamb Stew
Thu, 6 Jul	Coconut Chicken
Tue, 25 Jul	Beef Goulash
Thu, 27 Jul	Pumpkin Soup
Tue, 1 Aug	Beef Nachos
Thu, 3 Aug	Creamy Chicken Pasta
Tue, 8 Aug	Butternut & Bacon Soup
Thu, 10 Aug	Coconut Chicken
Tue, 15 Aug	Pumpkin Soup
Thu, 17 Aug	Savoury Chicken
Tue, 22 Aug	Beef Nachos
Thu, 24 Aug	Italian Beef & Veg Soup
Tue, 29 Aug	Winter Lamb Stew
Thu, 31 Aug	Butternut & Bacon Soup

What is the Winter Boost Programme?

It's about giving school kids an extra boost during winter. Hot lunches will be provided for all students every Tuesday and Thursday, over 10 weeks from 12th June to 31st Aug. Feed the Need will deliver the hot, freshly made meals to us just before lunch.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Will there be a cost for the lunches?

No, this service is provided at no cost to parents or the school

Do I still need to pack a lunch for my child?

It's up to you. You may want to send your child with a little extra food to top-up, or a full lunch if you think they might not eat the lunch provided

What if my child has allergies?

We will keep a list of the students who have allergies and ensure they only receive food that is suitable for them.

What about Hindu, Muslim or Vegetarian needs?

A meat-free option is available each lunch day – and there is a new and improved meat-free menu this year. The menu and ingredient list will be available at the office or FTN's website from 6th June.

Who are Feed the Need?

Feed the Need is a charitable trust set up to improve the health and learning opportunities of kiwi kids by providing hot, healthy lunches in school. Find out more at www.feedtheneed.co.nz.

**Feed the
Need**

HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

Contact the School Office on 274-6055
OR ask Feed the Need on info@feedtheneed.co.nz

Meat	Lamb, Bacon, Beef, organic chicken,
Fresh vegetables and herbs	Onions, potatoes, carrots, butternut, pumpkin, celery, garlic, ginger, rosemary, cumin, coriander, parsley, basil, oregano,
Dairy or substitutes	Cream, Coconut cream. Tasty Cheese,
Frozen or canned goods	Chickpeas, Cerebos Chutney, Watties Tomato Puree, Watties Tomato Paste, Mexican Chilli Beans, frozen corn,
Spices and flavourings	Knorr's chicken, beef and vegetable stock. Salt, pepper, curry blend, paprika, dried Italian herbs, Mexican spice mix (cumin, chilli powder, paprika), Worcester Sauce, Chicken broth
Dry Goods	Cornflour, corn chips, penne pasta, red lentils
Oils	Canola Oil
<i>Other Vegetarian ingredients to be confirmed and advised</i>	
Caution: For children with peanut allergies, we do not use nuts in our recipes but cannot provide a full guarantee against traces of nuts because other people use the kitchen during the weekends.	