

Upcoming Events

- Friday 28 October**
☺ Ruahine Calf & Lamb Day
- Thursday 3 October**
☺ Year 6-8 Cycle Safety
- Friday 4 November**
☺ Postponement Date for Ruahine Calf & Lamb Day
- Monday 7 November**
☺ Year 7-8 Parent Meeting re Pubertal Change unit, 11:30 am
- Friday 11 November**
☺ Dannevirke & Districts Lamb & Calf Day 2011
- Friday 18 November**
☺ SCHOOL GALA 10:30-12:30
- Friday 25 November**
☺ Ruahine Athletics
- Friday 9 December**
☺ School Picnic @ Splash Planet
- Thursday 15 December**
☺ Prizegiving 6:30 pm
- Friday 16 December**
☺ Last Day of School-12pm finish

Reminders

SENIOR CAMP 2012

(For all year 5, 6, 7, 8 students)

20-24 FEBRUARY 2012
Camp Raukawa, Wanganui

Year 5-6 \$160
Year 7-8 \$250

(We do expect these costs to come down)

The BOT have applied for two grants and Gala money raised will help subsidise camp costs.

HOWEVER, JUST IN CASE...

Start spreading the cost now!

DIRECT CREDIT:

Ruahine School BOT

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Any queries to Debbie Swaby

FRIDAY LUNCHES

Last Pie Day this Friday for Calf & Lamb Day

Mince Pie \$2.00
Mince & Cheese Pie \$2.00
Mini Mince Savoury \$1.50

Order BEFORE 9am on

THURSDAY

from the Resource Room.

MORE FOOD FOR SALE ON FRIDAY FROM THE FOOD STAND BEHIND THE HALL

RUAHINE SCHOOL

Principal's Report

Wednesday 26th October 2011

Kia ora,

Welcome back to Term 4 at the school that rocks! An extra special welcome to our new families - we hope that you will enjoy being part of the Ruahine community.

The term starts with a hiss and a roar this Friday with our annual Calf & Lamb Day. Reminder details about times, events and competitions are included overleaf. We held an assembly this afternoon to talk to kids about the options they have for the craft part of the day starting at 9am. Your support in sending resources to school to help with the crafts is anticipated and appreciated.

Whether you were into the rugby or not I think that we're all feeling pretty proud of our country and of the great job we did of hosting the Rugby World Cup. A number of students entered a competition to pick the teams for the final and the winning score and the 5 students who came closest won a replica world cup piggy bank in assembly today - well done!

Parents of students who catch the bus into town in the afternoons please take note of the bus information included in this newsletter. A notice was sent home at the end of term but we suspect that it might have ended up at the bottom of schoolbags over the holiday period!

A notice will be coming out next week about our end of year trip to Splash Planet. This is being held on Friday 9th December and we would love for families to join us for this fun day.

The entire Dannevirke district shone during the first week of the holidays when we hosted the Ross Shield Tournament. A huge thank you to the parents and staff who manned the food stall on the final Friday - it was the busiest day of all. Also, a thank you to the parents and kids who came and supported the team throughout the week. Well done to Caleb, Carl & Rhys who represented Ruahine and the Dannevirke team tremendously - we are all really proud of you boys!

Finally, a huge congratulations to our Term 1 & 2 RTV crew who have been nominated as finalists in the inaugural Manawatu Digi Awards. From over 600 entries the Ruahine Music Video submission has made it into the final three! We will find out if we've won at the Awards Ceremony on Monday 31st October at the Regent Theatre in Palmerston North - keep everything crossed in anticipation of an exciting result!

I look forward to seeing many of you on Friday at Calf & Lamb Day, when the Calf & Lamb judging begins at 12:00 pm.

Vanessa Pitt, Principal

Ruahine - The Best I Can Do, The Best I Can Be
Kia runga raupa au ki te mahi, Kia Rangatira toku to

NEW BUS SYSTEM FOR TERM 4:

We would like to remind you that Go Bus have decided to trial a new bus system in Term 4. The Southern run will be split into two sections—a country run that will leave straight after school; and a town run that will collect children on the way back into town.

Children who travel to town will stay and be supervised at school until the bus returns to collect them. This should not affect the time children will arrive home and reduces the amount of time some children are travelling each day.

We are trialling this to make the bus ride a more pleasant one for everyone. If you have any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact Suze Taylor at school.

IMPORTANT BUS REMINDERS:

- Please sign your children off in advance if they are not on the bus, to avoid delaying the departure for others
- There is NO eating on the bus
- Ipods and phones will now remain in bags during the bus ride
- Children must stay seated with all limbs inside the bus at all times.

➡ NEXT WEEK: Sausage in Bread & Frozen Juicies, \$1.50 each

MESSAGE FROM YOUR HEAD STUDENTS:



Hi everyone. It's great to see everyone back at school, relaxed and refreshed and ready to get on with our very busy term 4! Thank you for your support on Mufti Day. We raised \$256.10 which will go towards our whole school trip to Splash Planet on Friday 9 December. What an action-packed day we have planned for this Friday! Good luck to those kids showing their calves and lambs, we hope they all behave for you! Good luck also to everyone entering the competitions below. We look forward to seeing you all on Friday. Stay COOL at SCHOOL! Erin and David

RUAHINE CALF & LAMB DAY 2011

This Friday, 28 October 2011

(Postponement date Friday 4 November)

If the weather looks questionable, a decision regarding the whole day will be made at 9 am (in order that an alternative classroom programme can be delivered). Please ring and listen to the message on the school answer machine from 9 am.

CRAFT SECTION

Crafts will be made at school this year. Students are to choose 2 activities from the choices below and bring the necessary materials to school (sand will be provided).

JUNIOR SCHOOL

(rooms 6/7)

Sand Saucers
Vegetable Sculptures
Decorated Gumboots

MIDDLE/SENIOR SCHOOL

Miniature Scene
Vegetable Sculptures
Decorated Gumboots
Scarecrow (paired event)

Two crafts will be made in class from 9.00—10.30 am.

1. 2 crafts need to be planned prior to Friday (see Google Images for some cool ideas)
2. All construction materials (ie vegetables, decorations, flowers etc) need to be gathered and brought to school
3. Vegetables for sculptures need to be pre-cut for juniors please.
4. Any pre-painting that needs to be done can be done at home (ie spray painting of gumboots)
5. All crafts can be collected at the end of the day.
6. Please name any valuable items.

PLEASE BRING ALL ITEMS IN A CLEARLY NAMED BAG

SCHOOL CALENDARS

Our students have prepared their personalised "Calendar Art" for their calendars. These will be on display in the hall and orders can be placed here as well.

FOOD SALES Children will order pies on THURSDAY MORNING as usual. ALL students will make their way to the hall at lunch time on FRIDAY to collect their pie. The PFK will be selling sausages at \$1.50 each, plus an assortment of other goodies during the day for our visiting parents, community members and extra hungry students.

CALVES/LAMBS

All calves and lambs are to be taken to the back field by 11.30 am at the latest.

Judging begins at 12.00 noon.

LAMB & CALF DAY TIMETABLE

	<u>Students with calf/lamb</u>	<u>Students not bringing calf/lamb</u>
9.00—10.30	Crafts prepared in classes	Crafts prepared in classes
10.30—11.00	Morning Tea	Morning Tea
	(hall closed for craft judging)	(hall closed for craft/cake/pic judging)
11.00—11.30	)	Rotation 1
11.30—12.00	) All calves & lambs	Rotation 2
12.00—12.45	) to be taken to back	Lunch
12.45—1.30	) field by 11.30 am.	View judging in ring & displays in hall
1.30—2.00	) Judging begins at 12.00	Rotation 3
2.00—3.00	)	View cup presentations/back to class

ALL WHANAU AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE VERY WELCOME!

PET PICS SECTION

Replacing the Pet Parade will be a new "Pet Pics" section where students are encouraged to bring along photos to enter in any of these three categories:

- ☺ Best Dressed Pet
- ☺ Weirdest Pet (looking or behaviour)
- ☺ Most Creative Pet Photo

Only 1 photo per student, per category. Children can bring files in and print them at school if you do not have access to a printer. Pictures to be taken directly to the Hall on Friday morning.

CAKE DECORATING COMPETITION

We were blown away with the quality of the cakes that were entered into last year's competition. This year we would like to use it as a fundraising opportunity to help pay for the end of year trip to Splash Planet.

All cakes are to be made and decorated at home. Please take your decorated cake directly to the hall.

All cakes entered will be judged and the top three will be entered into a silent auction. Judging will take place in the morning and you can put a bid in for the top 3 cakes from 12.00 noon. The winners will be announced at the conclusion of lamb and calf judging. The remaining cakes will be raffled. Raffle tickets will be sold at school each day for \$1 per ticket. Senior children will visit classrooms each morning. Tickets will also be sold on the day.