

## Upcoming Events

### Wednesday 21 September

☺ Pyjama Day

### Friday 23 September

☺ Vision Hearing Screening

☺ Kapa Haka performance in town

☺ NO ASSEMBLY

### Thursday 29 September

☺ Young Masterminds Competition

### Friday 30 September

☺ Sports Photos

### Wednesday 5 October

☺ Subway Lunch orders close

☺ Music Festival

### Friday 7 October

☺ Mufti Day—bring a gold coin donation—this will go towards subsidising the end of year whole-school trip.

☺ Subway Day

☺ Last Day of Term 3

### Monday 24 October

☺ SCHOOL CLOSED—LABOUR DAY

### Tuesday 25 October

☺ First Day of Term 4

THANK YOU

Ken & Barbara Houston  
for delivering this newsletter.

## Reminders

## SENIOR CAMP

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

**20-24 FEBRUARY 2012**  
Camp Raukawa, Wanganui

Start spreading the cost now.

DIRECT CREDIT:

Ruahine School Board of Trustees  
060729 0546227-00

Please ring the school office and discuss your options with Debbie.

## FRIDAY LUNCHES

### Term 3

Mince Pie \$2.00  
Mince & Cheese Pie \$2.00  
Mini Mince Savoury \$1.00  
Chocolate Muffin \$1.50

Order **BEFORE 9am on THURSDAY**  
**NO LATE ORDERS!**

# RUAHINE SCHOOL

## Principal's Report

Monday 19 September 2011

Kia ora,

It is such a pleasure to be back at Ruahine after a 12 week absence. I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to reflect, read, visit other schools and to take time out with my whanau over this period of time. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board for granting my leave and to all staff for the efforts they put in to keeping the school rocking. Thanks especially to Juliet Dickinson who has done an awesome job as Acting Principal, and to Debbie Swaby who took on a number of additional roles and duties.

I am looking forward to seeing our Kapa Haka group perform this Friday at the annual Kapa Haka festival. This amazing group of students spent the weekend at the Kaitoke Marae polishing and perfecting their performance. They will also have amazing new uniforms in which to perform in - lovingly made by whanau members. A notice was sent home on Monday advising parents that students in Rooms 1-4 will all be attending the Kapa Haka performance on Friday. The Kapa Haka group will depart school at 10:40 am and the remaining students will depart school at 12:40 pm. Students have been asked to return a transport form to school so that we know their travel arrangements for getting home on Friday afternoon. Please note that there will be **no assembly this Friday**.

With ongoing events and activities around the school between now and the end of term I look forward to catching up with many of you. After my time out I have truly come to appreciate just how much our school really does ROCK!

*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**

## FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

- Welcome back to Vanessa. She looks rejuvenated and raring to go!
- Thanks to Juliet and Deb for the smooth running of the school in Vanessa's absence, and to the rest of the staff for their support and continued professionalism. What a great team of staff we have at Ruahine School.
- Congratulation to Carl Rendell for winning his Study Award for 2012.
- Thank you to the Services and Citizens Club for granting \$1000 towards replacing our Oticon soundfield systems in classrooms.
- Thank you also to the PFK for contributing the remaining balance of \$576 required to replace the two broken Oticon systems.
- We are applying to Eastern & Central and Infinity Foundation this month for grants towards 2012 camp costs. We will let you know how successful we have been as soon we know.
- Thanks once again to Dannevirke Dairy Supplies for paying for our regular drinking water tests.

Tina Broad, Chairperson

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## PYJAMA PARTY! THIS WEDNESDAY

Wear your PJs to school, give a gold coin donation and help raise money for our kiwi, Rakete, at Mt Bruce.

**MOVIE - gold coin donation**  
**LOLLIES - \$1/bag POPCORN - \$1/bag**  
**DRINKS - \$1/each**

**Soft Toy Competition in classes**

Bring a bit more money to buy some yummy treats—these proceeds will go to the Student Council.

**REMEMBER—NO PJS = NO MOVIE!**

## SPORTS PHOTOS Commence 9.00 am

### Ruahine School

Please ensure all sports uniforms have been returned.  
A timetable of teams and times will be sent out to team players & coaches.

**“STARS IN THEIR EYES” PROFIT**  
With the profit from their Stars In Their Eyes fundraiser, the PFK have purchased a new pool insulation blanket and reel system, which was installed in the school swimming pool last week. The PFK spent \$3,979. Thank you again for your support!

## MESSAGE FROM YOUR HEAD STUDENTS



Hi everyone. It's great to see Mrs Pitt back at school today! Remember kids—there's no need to get dressed this Wednesday—just get out of bed and wear your PJs to school! You might want to put a few coins in your dressing gown pocket for your gold coin donation and to buy some of the goodies on sale during the day. We would like to wish the kapa haka group all the best for Friday's performance. We have just found out that all remaining students from rooms 1 to 4 will be going in to watch them, which we are all looking forward to. Have fun and stay COOL at SCHOOL! Erin and David



## FRIDAY 7 OCTOBER

Our Parents for Kids Committee (PFK) are arranging another Subway Lunch Day on the last day of this term, Friday 7 October. Subway order form envelopes will be sent home later this week.

### IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Orders **MUST** be in by **9.00 am** on **WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER**. All orders are collated into class lots and delivered to Subway after this time. Late orders will not be accepted.
- Please order on the Subway envelope provided and enclose the correct amount of money—Subway will not be giving change.
- Sealed Subway envelopes are to be delivered to the school office foyer.

THE PFK HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR SUBWAY LUNCH



## TOTAL OIL

Buy any 20L container of Engine or Hydraulic oil from us and we'll donate

\$10 to Ruahine School. Promotion runs until 30 November.

Lancaster Tractor Services Ltd, 8 Makirikiri Road, Dannevirke, 4930  
Phone/Fax: (06) 374 7731, Email: [lancastertractors@clear.net.nz](mailto:lancastertractors@clear.net.nz)

## Tumeke kapa haka weekend

On Saturday at noon Ruahine School's kapa haka group went to Kaitoke Marae. We stayed the night to practise our performance for the Dannevirke Festival on Friday 23 September. We all walked on as a kapa haka group to get welcomed onto the marae. As the powhiri began my heart was pumping with pride. We practised so much our legs were numb, our voices were all croaky and we wanted to collapse! The boys' haka gives us goose bumps and the girls poi is phenomenal.

Thank you to all the parents and helpers who were making our uniforms, our poi and helping get the hangi ready. We are going to look fabulous up on stage when we do our final performance this Friday. It felt like were a big family on the marae. We worked, played and ate together. We love being part the kapa haka group because it brings joy to our hearts and we are proud of all the effort and hard work that has been put into it. A big thank you to the fantastic PFK for generously supporting the kapa haka group and funding the material for the groups uniforms. By Alyse and Te-Ata

**RUGBY HAKA n°1**  
**HANGI**  
**TE AUTE COLLEGE**

Sat 24 Sept 10.00 am free entry

Ripon Rugby Club Race Shield v Te Aute E Grade  
Te Aute North v Te Aute South

**festival**

**LAMB COUNTRY CENTRAL**

Japanese Taiko Drummers  
Red Thunder  
Native Dancers  
Burlington Guards  
NZ Aerobatics  
Champion Andrew Stiver

**BACKINGBLACK HQ**  
GIANT INTERACTIVE RUGBY THEMED OBSTACLE COURSES

**GAMEZONE**  
BUNGY TOUCHDOWN  
KICKOUT  
RUGBY RAMPAGE  
DASH N DODGE  
LOW DOWN

Your hosts  
Te Aute College, Te Taiharama o Tamatea, Pukekura Marae, Otara Sports Club giving you the opportunity to celebrate the Rugby World Cup

**Dannevirke Athletics Club**  
are holding their first club night on Wednesday 28th September 5.30pm at the Dannevirke Domain. Any queries contact Lisa Galloway (06)3764865.

**TENNIS**  
Junior Coaching Registration Day  
Tuesday 25th October 2011, 5-6pm  
Form to be filled out & payment must be made on that day.  
Coaching to begin Tues 1st November 2011 & finish 6th December 2011.

Dannevirke Host Lions Club  
**FAMILY FUN KITE DAY**  
Saturday 1 October 2011  
10.30 am—4.30 pm  
**Dannevirke Domain**  
Join in the fun.  
Enter the competition;  
**Make your own Kite**  
Kites **MUST** be presented for judging by 11.30 on the day. Please put name and age is on the back of the kite.  
Lollie scramble, sausage sizzle, cold drinks  
Cancellations on Classic Hits 97.8, Central FM 93.5 & 96.6, 107FM