

Term 3, Week 7, 31 August, 2023

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Whānau

★ We have certainly had a busy couple of weeks, but there have been many positives ★ and achievements of note. These include:

- A wonderful Science and Technology Fair, which was held in our hall two weeks ago. It was amazing to see over 200 Science Project boards, covering a wide range of inquiry and research, on display. Well done to all who took part.
- Several top projects were selected for the Top Energy Far North Science and \star ☆ • Technology Fair at the Turner Centre last week. Congratulations to Georgia 🔅 Forsyth - Special Award, Hannah Shepherd - Bronze, Lauren Phillips - Bronze, Peyton Manning - Silver, Georgia Kitchingman - Gold, and Iona Lee-Merrygold -Gold and overall winner of the Years 5 and 6 section.
 - Our Years 5 and 6 Student-Led-Conferences were all completed last week, with * many appreciative comments coming from families and whānau (perhaps from those whose children have been working well?). The Years 3 and 4 conferences are this week and the Years 0, 1, and 2 next week. Thank you to every parent $\frac{1}{2}$ and whānau member that has come along for these.
 - Our two Kapa Haka rōpū gave a dress rehearsal to the rest of the school last 🌣 Friday morning and to all the whānau and community in the hall on Friday 💯 evening. They were sensational. Congratulations to all the children, and to Mrs & Heihei who has trained them up, and best wishes for your participation in the * combined schools Kapa Haka Festival at Whitiora Marae on Thursday.

There are some dates coming up to remember:

- Wednesday 6 September: Years 5 and 6 Speech Contest
- Friday 8 September: Deadline for Calendar Art
- Wednesday 13 September: Wig Wednesday (Student Council fundraiser for Child 🕏 Cancer Foundation).
- The next school Disco has a new date Friday 15 September. It sounds like it * $\stackrel{\wedge}{\cancel{\sim}}$ could be a brilliant, illuminating event. Watch for advertisements coming up.

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Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L)/HEARTWISE Values programme

Riverview School is now in its third year of the PB4L programme; having being evaluated at the end of last year on our implementation of the programme, we moved to Tier 2 (there are three tiers) at the beginning of this year. Four weeks ago, we underwent a Tiered Fidelity Inventory (TFI) to assess how well we were doing; we were thrilled to score 93%. Thank you for all that you are doing at home to support our HEARTWISE Values programme.

OFF THE

OSCAR has a new programme for Spring time fun. We are going eel PRESS fishing, inline skating,

walking to our local waterfalls, and then relaxing at the movies. Book your spot NOW!





Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for your school's share of the \$200,000 free DG Sport sports gear prize pool. Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE, and participating Four Square stores. The more you collect, the more sports gear you get, so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now! All stickers/ cut-outs need to be collected before 22 September 2023 for us to participate. Students can call into the office and collect a form to keep at home.



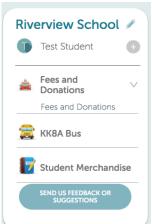
Kids Art Works 2023 Calendars / Greeting Cards / Diaries / Mouse Mats / Sketch Pads Organised by the Riverview PTA

Viewing your children's artwork (either in their classroom or on ClassDojo) finishes Friday 1 September. Order forms are available from the school office.

The deadline for orders is Friday 8 September.

Method of Payment: Kindo only. You still need to hand in the order form.

Kindo online school shop - register now



Our online Kindo school shop means that you can pay for all your school costs easily. Your personalised family account can be viewed and payments made. You can also purchase your KK8A bus ticket, or student merchandise like school hats, swim caps, and journal bags.

To register: visit our school website - www.riverview.school.nz/kindo-shop and select the 'First time' option.

All you need is the email address that the school has on file for you. Enter the email address that the school has for you, choose a password, and you're done.

Call the helpdesk on freephone 0508 454 636 if you need a hand, or email hello@mykindo.co.nz.

Wig Wednesday Wednesday 13 September Show us your latest 'wig' and give a gold coin donation. We are raising money for Child Cancer. Riverview Student Councillors



Dyslexia Research: Dr Mike Sleeman and Dr Amanda Denston of the University of Canterbury are conducting a research study to better understand the challenges that families and whānau face in accessing dyslexia assessments for their children and to ascertain their perceptions of the usefulness of assessment reports.

The insights of family and whānau will contribute significantly to this research. If you have either obtained a dyslexia assessment for your child or are interested in having them assessed for dyslexia, please consider completing this survey, which should take approximately 20 minutes to complete. As a token of appreciation, whanau that complete the survey can enter a draw to win one of five gift vouchers, worth \$50, at a supermarket of their choice.

Click here to complete the family/whānau survey:

https://canterbury.gualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 87UnEmLaW4BNcGy

By participating in this survey, you will contribute to research that could positively impact educational policies and practices, fostering a more inclusive and supportive environment for individuals with dyslexia.

Kids' Pickleball at Kerikeri Tennis Club

Want your kids to play one of the world's fastest growing sports? Pickleball is fun, easy to learn and a great racket sport for all the family! Kerikeri Tennis Club in Waipapa is looking for the next generation of Pickleballers and will be offering kids' Pickleball lessons starting in term 4 of 2023 for ages 9+. Please email clare.redward@gmail.com to register interest by the end of term 3, or for more information and pricing. Visit www.kerikeritennisclub.org.nz for more details about our fantastic facilities, membership and coaching for grown ups both Pickleball and Tennis.









School Buses Update

Our local school bus network is known as KSTN (Kerikeri Schools Transport Network) and includes Kerikeri High School, Kerikeri Primary School, Riverview School, and Oromahoe School.

In 2021, the KSTN requested a review of the funding for our local bus routes, by the Ministry of Education. After a long and somewhat frustrating wait, the Ministry has now completed the review.

We are pleased to share with you that, because of this review, there is an increase to KSTN funding that allows us to make some additions to our bus routes and allows us to carry students that were previously not eligible for transport assistance.

We are now able to carry students that live outside the KSTN boundaries (unfortunately, and somewhat confusingly, the transport boundaries do not coincide with Enrolment Zone boundaries). For clarity on who is eligible to catch school buses, any student in Years 1-8 who lives within 3.2km of their nearest school (whether they attend that school or not) and in Years 9-13 who lives within 4.8km of their nearest school (whether they attend that school of not) are ineligible for transport assistance and cannot travel free on KSTN buses. This is a nationwide Ministry of Education setting, not a local rule that KSTN has put in place. All school bus networks across Aotearoa New Zealand operate the same.

From this week, students that live beyond the minimum distance described above are now eligible for transport assistance, regardless of whether they are attending their nearest school or not. Students that attend a more distant school 'transfer their eligibility' and can use, free of charge, a bus serving the school that they attend. The only requirement is that they catch the bus from a scheduled stop on the shortest route between their home and their school.

If you reside closer to another school which offers Years 7 & 8, or Years 9 - 13 and you wish to make use of one of the KSTN buses, please contact Reception to check about eligibility and which bus and stop your child may be able to use.

The additional funding may also be used in the future to allow for some extra routes or bus runs, to alleviate the loadings on some buses; we will assess that once we understand the impact of the changes described above.

At this stage, the KSTN has considered the best use of the increase and has resolved that the following improvements to routes will be introduced:

Initially, two routes will be extended (neither of which affect Riverview School students):

The current KK14 route will extend to cover 340-560 Wiroa Rd and 0-230 Lodore Rd (Ricker Rd corner) collecting students for Kerikeri Primary School and Kerikeri High School.

The current KK6 bus will extend its route to include 700-410 Puketona Rd (terminus will be in Halyard Loop, Watea).

Moving forward, the KSTN will monitor student numbers on our buses and may subsequently introduce a new route that will serve the northern and central area of our network. This will involve some considerable alteration to current routes and full details will be provided for everyone before any introduction. This will affect Riverview School students.

Timing of these changes:

The extension to KK6 and KK14 is planned to occur in the week of 4-8 September (next week). There will be minor adjustments to bus times in the order of 5-10 minutes. There may be some further minor adjustments required over the initial days of operation; students will be given details of these.

The introduction of any new northern and central route will probably be during Term 4, after monitoring student loadings.

A Safety Reminder:

The Ministry of Education has requested that schools "remind your caregivers that it is their responsibility to supervise their children prior to the children boarding the school bus in the morning and once they get off the school bus in the afternoon".

This is a timely reminder that schools are not responsible for student safety at bus stops, other than the loading and unloading procedures.

Please also remember that schools and our roads are extremely busy before and after school, and sometimes younger students are not as aware of road safety as we would like. Please drive carefully and stick to speed limits (40km/h) outside schools and when passing stationary buses collecting or dropping off students (20km/h).

Partial Road Closure:

We have just received notification that Cobham Rd (from Mill Lane to Hobson Ave) will be reduced to one lane and controlled by traffic lights from Monday 28 August to Thursday 30 November. Please be aware that this will likely have some effect on bus timetables, particularly in the afternoon.

Science Fair 2023

The Science & Technology Fair in Week 5 was absolutely amazing. I was impressed with the range of investigations, and the effort that went into them. It was wonderful to talk to the many parents, caregivers, grandparents, family, and friends that came, too. We had the opportunity to send some of the investigations to the Top Energy Far North Science and Technology Fair last week. Unfortunately we couldn't select everyone to go. This was the first year they included a Years 5-6 section. The students who went presented themselves well using all our HEARTWISE values.

The results: Georgia Forsyth - Special Award, Hannah Shepherd -Bronze, Lauren Phillips - Bronze, Peyton Manning - Silver, Georgia Kitchingman - Gold, Iona Lee-Merrygold - Gold and overall winner of Year 5/6. Well done, everyone.

Super Science Girl







RIVERVIEW SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 15TH

DRESS CODE: WHITE OR NEON

YRS 0-2 5:30-6:30PM YRS 3-6 7-8:30M

MUSIC

STUDENTS IN YRS O-2 MUST BE SUPERVISED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN THROUGHOUT THE DISCO **GAMES**

STUDENTS IN YRS 3-6 MUST BE COLLECTED FROM THE HALL AFTER THE DISCO

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