



Te Rapa Primary School

An effective, quality full primary school (NE – Yr 8)

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Mr Vaughan Franklin

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Mrs Christine Troon

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Mrs Jane Franklin

Head of Senior School

Mrs Paula Brinsden

BOT Chairperson

Mr Shaun Hoskin

Newsletter Thursday 17th September 2020

School Student Roll : 569

Currently Operating Under Alert Level 2 Protocols.....

WHAT'S HOT

School Holidays & Daylight Saving. Summer is coming !
Te Rapa HEART = Focus on Team Work
Year 8 Senior Leavers "looking good" in their hoodies

WHAT'S NOT

COVID-19 : Continues at Alert level 2
Tired and frustrated children now making poor choices.
Let's continue to remind ourselves about using 'our manners' please

Te Rapa H.E.A.R.T

REMINDER - Our focus for Weeks 9 & 10 this Term is "Teamwork". Parents / carers are asked to explain 'teamwork' to your children and / or have them explain it to you. Set goals which include **"being a team player"**. Our students are being encouraged to show teamwork here at school in a variety of ways. Please help us at home by actively promoting all of our 5 x **Te Rapa HEART** values.

Challenging Children are Challenging Students**Our children are exhausted ... they are tired and frustrated too.**

Like every large city school we have our behavioural challenges, and like every school we have students who frequently make poor choices. Every institution must be honest and acknowledge this fact. It is sad, but schools do reflect a NZ society impacted by COVID-19. Teachers are working harder in 2020 on behaviour modification with young children than we were in 2019. Sadly, it seems our Police are too (with youth in our communities). Please appreciate that this shift in teacher focus is impacting on a teacher's ability to focus on actual teaching.

Parenting – How can you help ?

If you have a child who is pushing boundaries at home or is an acknowledged problem at school then please consider contacting one of the agencies below who can offer you advice and guidance. This can be shared person to person, or they can provide you with interesting information to read and things to trial at home. It is the right time to act while your child is still at primary school. Doing nothing now will see your child potentially get worse. This leads to them pushing boundaries more and more as a teenager, and by then it's very, very hard to win back the lost ground. Please consider speaking with your family doctor too because they are also well positioned to offer advice / guidance.

Contacts include**Parent to Parent NZ Ltd**

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Shake Out Day**Earthquake Drill**

Our school will be part of the Shake Out Day early next Term. Asst Principal #2 – Paula Brinsden will be co-ordinating this Earthquake Drill schoolwide with all classes following our school's procedures at 9.30am on Thursday 15th October. This is Week 1 Term 4 and all New Zealand schools will be involved.

Cones Out on the Driveway = Drivers must make way for the buses to arrive please.

Medication Administered at School

Parents / carers are reminded that you must ensure that children who are required to take medication at school bring a written note to the office explaining procedures and dosages etc. This must be signed by you (parent / caregiver). Students are NOT to have any medication in their school bags at school. Staff at school will do their best to assist, but will be following your advice and guidance. School staff cannot take any responsibility for the short or long term effects of any medication administered by them at the request of a parent / caregiver.

Huge THANK YOU to Mrs Abby Ritete

Mrs Ritete is not leaving our school, she is simply stepping down from her **Head of Arts** role at the end of this school year. We are certainly very grateful for her years of service to this 'leadership' position, and understand her decision. She has written and directed 3 x high quality productions over the past 6+ years, and she has also done lots more too in supporting The Arts curriculum across the school. We are pleased that Mrs Ritete will continue to teach and lead our Year 5 & 6 Syndicate team next year.

Head of Arts Vacancy at Te Rapa for 2021

We are advertising this leadership position on staff for 2021, and we will look to link the position to our upper school (Year 5 – 8 level). If you know of a teacher looking for a specialist Arts position for 2021, then please ask them to email principal@terapa.school.nz

Head of Arts 1FTU. Roll 569. Staff 27. Decile 7. We seek an innovative and enthusiastic Arts specialist with proven teaching skills at Yr 5 – 8 to join our upper school. It's a full-time permanent teaching opportunity with a FTunit. It is a chance to advance your leadership career in a progressive full primary within Hamilton City where an extremely positive school culture exists with very supportive colleagues & BOT. For information and an application pack email principal@terapa.school.nz Start - Term 1 2021. Applications close at 3.30pm on Monday 2nd November 2020.

Student Charges 2020 **\$150 per pupil Govt Grant**

Our school is subsidising students \$150pp towards curriculum based costs. This is because our school accepted the \$150 per student Govt. funding. There are many student charges that are not curriculum based, so a **parent contribution** is still required in 2020 for some things eg. camps etc. Our school's Board of Trustees and our school Leadership Team are committed to ensuring that this year your child's schooling will cost you less than it did last year, so if you were a family who paid 100% of your child's costs in 2019 ... then this year your contribution will be \$150pp less than last year. **This is great news for our families, and especially so for our larger families.**

Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) Year 7 & 8 Camp to Motutapu Island **19 – 23 October : Next Term**

Our Year 7 & 8 students are sure to enjoy their experience(s) at Motutapu Island Camp in the Hauraki Gulf next Term. All 5 x senior classes will be there for the week Monday 19th October to Friday 23rd October. School camps are a great opportunity for all students to interact with each other, and also learn to work closely with school staff and parents too. Our students will get a variety of opportunities to take on and accomplish challenges they have not attempted before. Team building / bonding will be happening too, and school staff and also our camp parents will be teaming up with students to work with them so they can achieve their very best. These experiences (out of the classroom) for our children are valued because they all go on to gain plenty of confidence and experience by achieving new things, and sometimes trying things that are just outside their comfort zone. The learning that takes place is significant, and many Te Rapa children realise their potential. They go on to learn so much about themselves as individuals, and they also learn how they can build and maintain positive reciprocal relationships with others in a team too. These are life skills which help shape us for our futures, and it is great speaking with ex. Te Rapa students now in their 20s & 30s who all have very fond memories of their EOTC experiences as children when they were attending Te Rapa. As Principal this makes me feel very proud. A special thanks to all the positive parents who will be contributing to this camp next Term, and who will be aiming to make the experience(s) really special for our students. A huge vote of thanks to our Te Rapa Primary staff too who have organised the camp, and will be staying overnight away from their families. You are appreciated, and I know I speak on behalf of the Year 7 & 8 students when I say **“thank you”**.

Payment of the EOTC Parent Contribution (Education Outside the Classroom)

If your son / daughter is part of the Year 7 & 8 school camp (next Term) then please ensure your parent contribution is paid prior to departure. Our school office is open each school day 8am to 4pm

EOTC Camp # PENDING Seniors : Rms 17 - 21 19 - 23 Oct Motutapu Island Camp – Auckland

Enrolments 2021 Applications are now Open

Applications for a 2021 “out of zone” place for Intake #1 for either Term 1 or 2 next year will be advertised very soon. This will be for children who (a) have siblings already attending our school, (b) will be starting school for the first time and (c) will be turning 5 years old between 1st December 2020 and 25th July 2021. There may be places at other levels, but the actual number of out of zone places will be determined by the number of in-zone enrolments we receive.

Please Note You must complete an Out-of-Zone application form if you want your son / daughter considered for an out-of-zone place at Te Rapa Primary next year. Please visit the school office now to complete your application form.

Student Leadership for Next Year : 2021

Future Leader's Programme at Te Rapa Primary School

As part of our **Future Leader's Programme** at Te Rapa students are appointed to positions of responsibility. We have been paying very close attention to our Year 7's, Year 6's and our younger students too, over these past 6 – 12 months, if they are considered as **potential future** leaders. We start developing our students for leadership roles from Year 4, and all children are encouraged to step up.

I would like to personally invite all students to try their very best over the final 10 weeks (Term 4) of the year

The way you consistently demonstrate the things listed below in both your personal lives and here at school will allow us to see just how responsible you can be when you are not being supervised by an adult. Many staff have input into the selection processes, and sadly not every student is selected, but please encourage your child(ren) to try to show case their very best so they are in the mix and they're being considered.

Things we look at are :

- * attitude and behaviour (even when adults are NOT watching)
- * scholastic work ethic : ability to juggle responsibility and their studies
- * ability and / or potential to lead others in a positive (and effective) way
- * ability to bring mana, prestige and honour to themselves, their family / school
- * openness and outgoingness ... but in a respectful and appropriate way
- * relationships / popularity and potential positive power within the peer group
- * citizenship traits showing *Te Rapa HEART*
- * courtesy and initiative
- * strength of character, and unselfishness
- * sense of school pride and school spirit
- * ability to put themselves forward in a peer / group setting
- * sense of community / responsibility

School Year Dates for 2020

Term 3 Monday 20th July - Friday 25th September
Term 4 Monday 12th October - Friday 18th December

School Closed

Sat 26th September to Sun 11th October

School Security

Waikato Security have merged with Allied Security, so **Allied Security** are now monitoring our school alarm system. I would expect that they will slowly 'phase out' the name Waikato Security Services (WSS). At the moment there are still some security personnel and marked cars displaying Waikato Security signage, but this is likely to slowly change over time. Our signage will also change over time here at the school too.

Lost Property Mums & Dads ... *Please name your child's clothing, and also encourage your children to have a look regularly too.*

Thank you for your continued support of Te Rapa Primary Waikato Top School 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 & 2019
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V W Franklin (Principal) and Staff

Some reminders from the ICT Curriculum Team

Digital citizenship refers to the responsible use of technology by anyone who uses computers, the Internet, and digital devices to engage on any level.

A good digital citizen at Te Rapa Primary:

- Uses ICT (chromebooks, ipads, devices) for their learning
- Uses ICT to communicate with others in positive and meaningful ways
- Doesn't share passwords or personal information with others online
- Asks for help if they are using a programme or a tool that they don't know how to use
- Seeks help and tells someone if they are being bullied or know that bullying is happening
- Tells someone or seeks help when they see something that they know isn't right (eg. inappropriate)

Cricket Players Wanted

This is a call for anyone interested in playing cricket for Te Rapa School in term four. We are aiming to have a Yr 1/2, Yr 3/4 and a Yr 5/6 team and if the player numbers are enough, I would like to push for more teams that are perhaps just Year 3's or just Year 6's.

Te Rapa School is very lucky to be well resourced with cricket equipment and have very high quality cricket nets that are used by top level clubs and players. For a student beginning cricket, no matter what age, all the gear is provided. All the student will require is a pair of running shoes and white pants or shorts.

The Yr 1/2 and 3/4 teams play on a Friday afternoon and games last around 2 hours. For the Yr 5 and 6's depending on numbers and experience the games are also on a Friday afternoon or a Saturday morning and due to other grades playing, are all completed by 12pm at the latest. This is a fantastic opportunity to get your child into a sport that is confidence building, great for eye/hand coordination and at this level, low risk of injury.

Games start early in term 4. So get in quick to ensure your spot in the team.

Permission slips will be available at the school office or come and see me in Room 17.

Cheers

Joshua Loudon Rm17

Te Rapa School Cricket Coordinator



EAT TO ENERGIZE

EAT YOUR FOOD GROUPS: GROW

Lean meat, chicken, eggs, fish, beans/ lentils, nuts and seeds are all a source of protein. Protein is important for muscle recovery and growth.

**NUTS**

**TUNA ON CRACKERS**

**EGG SANDWICH**

**CHICKEN**



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EAT YOUR FOOD GROUPS: GROW

Low-fat milk, yoghurt and cheese will give your body calcium. Calcium helps to build strong healthy bones.

TIP: Milk & milk products are also a source of protein.



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National Young Leaders Day 2020



This year the Student Councillors took part in the Virtual Hamilton National Young Leaders Day 2020 on Tuesday 8 September in our MPR.

The theme for the day was:

***Kia Kaha, Kia Maia, Kia Manawanui
Be Strong, Be Brave, Be Steadfast.***

The first speaker was inspirational **William Pike** who was a keen mountaineer and teacher who had his leg amputated after being trapped when Mt Ruapehu erupted. He spoke about his goals and how he achieved his goals even after a number of setbacks. He is now back mountaineering and has recently accomplished an 18 hour climb, Mount Scott in Antarctica.

His key message was 'be brave and step outside your comfort zone'

Top 3 Tips linked to his message:

- Find your passion
- Build strong teams and whanau
- Never underestimate yourself

The next speaker was **Riley Hathaway**, a nineteen year old who loves the ocean and is an ambassador for Young Ocean Explorers. She overcame her fear of seaweed to swim with the sharks and inspire others to love the ocean.

The third speaker was **Okirano Tilaia** who was the Head Boy at Cashmere High School 2019. He is now studying at Canterbury University. He challenged the students to think about who they are and what they value. **Key things to remember: Know who you are, Have a Positive Mindset and Be Courageous.**

The final speaker was **Stan Walker**, who spoke about looking after yourself. **Be your biggest fan.** He finished off the day with a live performance of his songs 'Bigger' and 'Give'.

There were so many important messages for our young leaders to take away from the day and use in their future endeavours.

Waikato Full Primary Zone 1 Regional Speech Competition

On Thursday 10 September Ryan, Kiana and Disha represented Te Rapa Primary School at the WFPS Regional Speech Competition. The competition was held at Saint Peter Chanel and they were competing against speakers from 10 other schools.

Although they did not place in the top 3 they represented themselves and Te Rapa with pride and presented excellent speeches.

Hockey Prize-Giving Ceremony

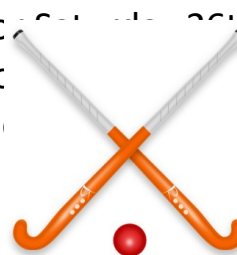
The end of season prize-giving ceremony for hockey will be held on **Thursday 24th September (Week 10)** beginning at **3.30pm in the MPR**. We encourage all players, parents, caregivers, coaches and managers to attend to celebrate together at **Level 1**.

If we are still under **Level 2** restrictions can I please ask that only one caregiver attends with each player and sign in at the door. This year we will not be having a shared afternoon tea, we will just have the award ceremony.

I realise some teams will have one more game on Friday 25th or Saturday 26th but I have decided to go ahead with the prizegiving before the end of the season.

Thank you all for your enthusiasm and support during the season.

Nicola Allen
(TIC Hockey)



SPORTS RESULTS

	<u>Result</u>	<u>Player of the Day</u>	<u>Fairplay</u>
<u>Netball Results</u>			
Te Rapa Ravens vs Raglan Area School Green	Loss	Peyton	Kayleigh
<u>Hockey</u>			
Te Rapa Titans vs Matamata	Loss 2-4	Hayley / Drew	

Community Notices

Waikato Diving - Diving teaches water confidence as well as goal setting. Plus is a fun sport. 90 percent of the divers are girls. We cater for learners up to NZ reps. We also are happy to run group sessions should you be visiting Waterworld during the term. (Confidence in deep water is a re-req) - Waikato Diving 0276002201

FREE Holiday Programme- EDVENTURE Hamilton - These holidays Edventure is offering a FREE sports programme on Monday 28th September, this day will include a mixture of sporting skills drills and modified games across a range of different sporting codes (limited spaces). Edventure holiday programmes are based at Berkley Normal Middle School, for 5-13 year olds, OSCAR available. Different activities and trips planned everyday of the holidays. To book in and check out our other holiday programmes & Camp- including Edventure Outdoors, Edventure Sports & Edventure Everyday please visit www.edventure.co.nz or ph 02102241576. See you on your next Edventure!

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME - Join the action at Waterworlds OSCAR accredited Aquatic Holiday Program. Children will have the opportunity to develop and experience a range of water-based activities along with out of water adventures. Visit the Waterworld. Reception team to register for a jam packed school holidays. **Dates:** 28th September – 9th October. **Cost:** \$45-\$55 /day (OSCAR Subsidies may be available). **Time:** 8-5.30pm **Ages:** 5-12 year olds. *For further information please contact us on 07 958 5860 or learntoswim@hcc.govt.nz*

Snow White and the Seven Pirates - 30th September - 4th October, 10:30am, 1:30pm & 6:30pm shows **Blurb:** *Once upon a story, there was a girl called Snow White. You have probably heard of her. She had an evil stepmother, ate a poisoned apple, and was great friends with the seven Dwarves. Well, our story is not that one. Set here in Kirikiriroa, Snow White and the Seven Pirates blends a classic fairy tale with Māori myth and legend. With the help of a mysterious Taniwha, Snow must join forces with a fearsome pirate crew to save her friends from the clutches of the monstrous Jabberwocky. Stories and More are back at The Meteor with a brand-new original show featuring children from their drama classes and adults from the Hamilton theatre community. Suitable for families and all ages from 5 years up. Tickets: Adult- \$12, Child (16 and under) \$9 & Family of Four \$35. **For tickets and more information visit** <http://themetor.co.nz/event/snow-white-and-the-seven-pirates/>*

Yoga For Children 8-12yrs - Great for strength, flexibility, awareness of breath and body, anxiety, trouble sleeping. \$60 for a 10 week term. Tuesdays 3:30-4pm. Please phone Kerry (In Harmony Yoga) on 0211541474.



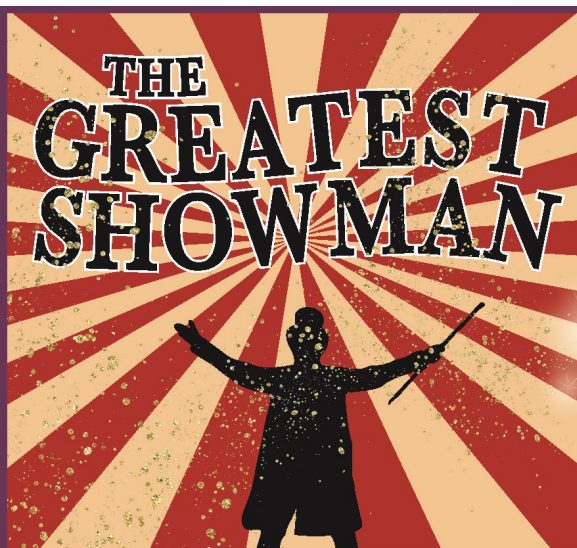
October School Holiday Programmes and Family Fun

28 September to 9 October 2020



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Hamilton City Gymnastics - Sept / Oct Holiday Programme, 9am to 3pm: \$36. Before and aftercare available. 3 Mainstreet Place, Te Rapa, Hamilton. Activities include: Paper chain art, slime fun, Silhouette painting, Loom band challenge, Movie Days, DIY Daffodil, Gymnast Puppets, Blossom Craft, Back to School Pencils and more fun filled activities. Contact us, ph: 849-4546 or email office@hamcitygymsports.co.nz or to view our programme visit our website www.hamcitygym.com



Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 – 15 years.

Students participate in a range of performing arts classes, concluding the week with a performance!

5 - 9 October 2020, 9 am – 4 pm daily
Held at Southwell School

**View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz
or contact Hayley on either
artz@artzonshow.co.nz or 09 294 7129**

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LEADERSHIP – School Holidays CRUCIAL TRAINING: Conflict - Bullies - Depression - Stress - Life's Challenges ... Dynamic Fun - Real life Learning: 28Sep-1 Oct; 18-21Jan 21; Ages 10+; Plus Certificate RING Roz 027 248 2888 roz@speak4success.co.nz Rave reviews from Kids!

October School Holiday Programme



Monday 28 September to Friday 9th October

Monday 28th September - Acrylic Painting Skills & Clay Creations.
Tuesday 29th September - Collage Art using fabric & Watercolour Art.
Wednesday 30th September - Drawing Skills & Paper Maché
Thursday 1st October - Roller Printing & Black Paper Artworks.
Friday 2nd October - Paper craft creations & Mandalas.

Monday 5th October - Painting Snowy Mountains & Clay Modelling.
Tuesday 6th October - Upside Down Drawings & Chalk Pastel Art.
Wednesday 7th October - Pop Art & Pattern Collage.
Thursday 8th October - Cardboard Creations & Paper Art.
Friday 9th October - Oil Pastel & Dye & Charcoal Art.

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