

Week 1, Term 4, 2022 RPS NEWSLETTER

Nurturing Remarkable Learners - Ngā Iwi Tumeke



Āau mai, haere mai, tēnā koutou katoa

Kia ora Parents, Caregivers and Students,

We hope you had a wonderful time having your children home over the last 2 weeks and were fortunate enough to be able spend time together.

This term is absolutely full of activities, events and learning for children. Today at our Mihi Whakatau we welcomed our new staff and students to RPS. It was actually the first time we have been able to hold a full school assembly. We were able to come together in the amphitheatre. At our gathering we acknowledged that it is special and fortunate for us to be able to be together and that we have some responsibilities from being in the RPS Whanau. Our key expectations for the term are to: Be Inclusive, Respect Others, and Celebrate Success, especially for our Year 8 students as they leave their legacy at RPS.



Please see the calendar below for an overview of the term. We encourage you to keep an eye on our google calendar that is always 'live'.

We're also really excited for our Cultural & Heritage week in Week 3. We have a lot more information further on in this newsletter and the more families we have involved the better. Please contact [Cath](#) if you'd like to be involved, help or look through the week's events and see where you might come along to join the celebrations.

This term sees the return of our EOTC Camps for Years 4, 6 & 8, with the Y5 also having their 2021 catch up camp. All whanau should have received information on these activities. Please contact your child's teacher if you did not receive it.

2023 Student Placements

We are setting up the class structures for 2023 here at RPS. Class size is dependent on the Ministry of Education staffing allocation. Staffing allocations are based on a formula that the MoE uses for schools, alongside the new 'Equity Index' for funding. We must shape our structures to meet the staffing and funding allocations given to us.

The class student composition is put together with significant consideration given to a number of aspects such as: academic, social and emotional needs, student learning relationships, student social relationships and classroom balance.

Our teachers contribute much time and thought to all children and the placements for 2023 classes.

If you have information about your child that you feel should be considered in their 2023 class placement, we ask that you please put this in writing to:

Tim Young, tim.young@remarkables.school.nz by **18 November 2022**.

During the last week of school we will email out to our parent community the 2023 school structure including the staffing structure. During the last week of the year your child will know the class they will be in for 2023 and their class teacher.

Tim Young and the RPS Team

What's on this week & school lunches:

MONDAY Rāhina 17 Whiringa-ā-nuku	TUESDAY Rātū 18 Whiringa-ā-nuku	WEDNESDAY Rāapa 19 Whiringa-ā-nuku	THURSDAY Rāpare 20 Whiringa-ā-nuku	FRIDAY Rāmere 21 Whiringa-ā-nuku
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Otago Cricket sessions		Pizza, Kapa Haka, Small group Gymnastics, Otago Cricket sessions	Subway & Dumplings, Ice Blocks (\$2 bring a coin, Otago Cricket sessions	Wheels Day Otago Cricket sessions
Order Lunches here - https://www.lunchonline.co.nz/				
TERM 4: Monday, 17 October - Thursday, 15 December; School closed on following dates: Labour Day 24th October, Teacher Only Day Friday 18 November				

Community Information: Click on this [link](#) to view Wakatipu Community Notices.



RPS International Food Festival
Monday 31 October

Please make and bring in something sweet or savoury from your own culture or country to share with the others.

Drop off food on Monday 31 October from 8:15-9am in the hall.

Please avoid eggs and nuts - label ingredients

Please label any containers with students name and class

Celebrating our Global Community

Parents, students, siblings and friends are warmly invited to join in with our Cultural and Heritage Parade.

9 - 9.30am Monday 31 October on the turf.

Parents: please find your flag (provided by RPS) and wait for a group of students to join you.

Let's celebrate together!
Let's make some noise!

Traditional/cultural dress or colours from heritage country encouraged but not essential.



Mon 31 Oct Parade + Food Festival Welcome flags and greetings posters at KnD	Tues 1 Nov Welcome flags and greetings posters at KnD	Weds 2 Nov Welcome flags and greetings posters at KnD	Thurs 3 Nov Welcome flags and greetings posters at KnD	Fri 4 Nov Welcome flags and greetings posters at KnD	Sat 5 Nov
8.15 - -9.00 - Drop food off at hall 9-9.45 - Parade - Parents warmly invited. Wear cultural dress or colours from country. Parade # 2 @ 12.30 as some students swimming Food Festival Lita from Indonesia - Angklung	Sarah from French Canada - Maple Taffy Roberta from Brazil - Dancing Rebecca from Malaysia - Onde Onde Yumi from Japanese - Kabutu Virginie from French Canada - Maple Syrup + Pikelets Janet from Vanuatu - Singing Sue and Natasya from QLDC Library - Multicultural story books time/dateTBC	Nina from Philippines - Game Roberta from Brazil - Cooking - TBC Mayumi from Japan - Kabatu	Emma from Sweden - Chocolate Oat Balls Bron+Jamie from NZ - Snag Golf - TBC TBC - Beth from Wales - Mabington Tales Chris from UK - Yorkshire Puddings - TBC Chamika + friends from Sri Lanka - Dancing	Jolie from China - Dumplings Jerry from China - Culture talk + Paper cutting Sonali from Sri Lanka - Cooking Michelle from Ireland + Te Atamira - Irish - Fairy Doors Virginie from French Canada - Maple Syrup + Pikelets Meg from Japan - Azuki Bean Brownie + Chopstick Grandparents of Jessy + Jason from China - TaiChi, Tai Chi Fan, TaiChi Sword performance Foini + Tina + Tulafono family - Tuvaluan dancing timeTBC	Multilingua I Lilliput Libraries Building and Painting Day @ Mitre 10 Mega 11am - 2pm
<u>Events available all week:</u> Meg from Japan - Chopstick challenge Saori from Japan - 'How to Draw' activity Mayumi from Japan - Ayatori Jerry from China - Double Happiness paper cutting Cath from UK/NZ - Mancala strategy board game Nadine from UK/NZ - Multicultural quiz in school library Chamika from Sri Lanka - dancing videos			Teachers at RPS - activities and learning to promote acceptance, respect of differences and value diversity Teachers at RPS - learning new greetings all term Teachers at RPS - sharing stories and books from other cultures		

RPS Term 4 Calendar

Week	RĀHINA Monday	RĀTŪ Tuesday	RĀAPA Wednesday	RĀPARE Thursday	RĀMERE Friday
Week 1 17-21 October Whiringa-ā-nuku	- National Library Week - Otago Cricket sessions	- Tuakana Kapa Haka performance at Steamer Wharf - Otago Cricket sessions	- Central Lakes Polyfest - Kapa Haka - Otago Cricket sessions	- Central Lakes Polyfest (All RPS groups performing this day) Teina 10:40am (y4-5) Tuakana 12pm (y5-8) Pēpi 1:20pm (y1-2) - Otago Cricket sessions	
Week 2 24-28 October Whiringa-ā-nuku	Labour Day - no school	School photographs	- School photographs - After school football - Kapa Haka	- School photographs - Deep Cove parent meeting	- School photographs - Y8 Deep Cove walkathon
Week 3 31 October - 4 November Whiringa-ā-nuku & Whiringa-ārangi	- Cultural & Heritage Week - Swimming - Taumata 1,2,3 & Pōhatu 4 - Touch Rugby 1st Game	- Swimming - Taumata 1,2,3 & Pōhatu 4 - Cultural & Heritage Week	- Cultural & Heritage Week - Swimming - Taumata 1,2,3 & Pōhatu 4 - After school football - Kapa Haka - Year 5 Camp Parent Meeting	- Cultural & Heritage Week - Deep Cove gear check - Swimming - Taumata 1,2,3 & Pōhatu 4 - Year 6 Welcome Rock Parent Meeting	- Cultural & Heritage Week - Swimming - Taumata 1,2,3 & Pōhatu 4
Week 4 7 - 11 November Whiringa-ārangi	- RPS Book Week - Scholastic Book Fair - Abbas Nazari community event - Swimming - Taumata 4 & Pōhatu 2 & 3	- RPS Book Week - Scholastic Book Fair - Swimming - Taumata 4 & Pōhatu 2 & 3 - Science Road show - RPS Triathlon	- RPS Book Week - Scholastic Book Fair - Abbas Nazari author talk - After school football - Swimming - Taumata 4 & Pōhatu 2 & 3	- RPS Book Week - Scholastic Book Fair - Swimming - Taumata 4 & Pōhatu 2 & 3	- RPS Book Week - Scholastic Book Fair - Swimming - Taumata 4 & Pōhatu 2 & 3
Week 5 14 - 18 November Whiringa-ārangi	- ORS Special Olympics - Dunedin Symphony Orchestra visit - John Parsons programme in school	- Wakatipu Triathlon - John Parsons programme in school	- Kapa Haka - John Parsons parent information evening - John Parsons programme in school - After school football		Teacher Only Day
Week 6 21 - 25 November Whiringa-ārangi	Deep Cove Y8 camp 1	- Mid-term cohort entry - Deep Cove Y8 camp 1 out - Deep Cove camp 2 in	- After school football - Kapa Haka - Central Otago Triathlon Championship - Deep Cove Y8 camp 2	Deep Cove Y8 camp 2	Deep Cove Y8 camp 2 out
Week 7 28 - 2 Nov/Dec Whiringa-ārangi / Hakihea	Y5 School Camp - Wakatipu Stories	- Y4 & 5 School Camp - Wakatipu Stories - Y7 Mule Trip	- After school football - Kapa Haka - Y4 School Camp - Wakatipu Stories - Y6 Welcome Rock Camp in	- Central Otago Orienteering Championship - Y6 Welcome Rock Camp	Y6 Welcome Rock Camp out

Week 8 5 - 9 December Hakihea	• Fern Fever - Multisport Girls have a Go day		• After school football • Kapa Haka • Cricket Girls Festival Day • Stig Live Tour • Y6 Welcome Rock camp postponement	• Y6 Welcome Rock camp postponement	• Y6 Welcome Rock camp postponement • Waterfight Day
Week 9 12 - 15 December Hakihea		Graduation TBC	• Cricket Boys Festival Day • Year 8 Beach Day	• Last day of school - Happy Christmas!	

All events and updates are on our [google calendar](#) - sign up to get notifications of changes that sometimes occur.