



REDWOOD
SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Rākau Pai, Hua Pai

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Kiwi Syndicate

Grace O'Rourke - Y1 - Room 4
Nic Wilkinson - Y1 - Room 5
Nancy Manu - Y1 - Room 6
Vanessa Serci - Y1 - Room 7

Cassie Stewart - Y2 - Room 1
Nic Webb - Y2 - Room 2
Michelle Morpeth - Y2 - Room 3
(Syndicate Leader)

Pūkeko Syndicate

Belinda Evans - Y3/4 - Room 11
Emma Ashington - Y3/4 - Room 12
Rachel Gargan - Y3/4 - Room 14
(Syndicate Leader)
Kim Perkins - Y3/4 - R15

Kererū Syndicate

Caitlin Roberts - Y5/6 - Room 16
(Syndicate Leader)
Jenny Wright - Y5/6 - Room 17
Carmel Wilson - Y4/5 - Room 18
Jim McGurk - Y5/6 - Room 19
Mark Kyne - Y5/6 - Room 20

Emma O'Leary - SENCO

Claire Hughes - Deputy Principal

Principal's Post

Tēnā tatou katoa e te whānau

How things can change in the space of a week! The PFG had allocated today for setting up their Mid-Winter Quiz which was due to go ahead tomorrow evening. However, with the COVID Level change for Wellington this has, unfortunately, been deferred to the following Saturday (3rd July). Fingers crossed that negative tests continue to be the norm and we can go ahead with this awesome event as planned.

It's still very much business as usual in classrooms, but with extra vigilance on good hygiene practices. Pūkeko Syndicate are ensconced in their Dinosaur InSTEAD project, with lots of learning about various raptors and 'sauruses', as well as dinosaur habitats. Kererū are continuing to investigate how they can improve the mauri (life-force) of our local ecosystems. Kiwi have also been doing some amazing Investigation and report writing about animals and their habitats.

Teachers, too, have been writing reports, although theirs have been about the awesome learning and progress being made by their students. These are proving to be thoroughly interesting and rewarding to read, and I look forward to them being shared with you prior to our Learning Conferences in Week 10. If you still haven't booked a Learning Conference time for either the 7th or 8th of July then this can be done by visiting www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and using the event code p2bka. We look forward to seeing you to discuss your child's learning so far this year.



Dates for your diary

Friday 2nd July - Matariki Breakfast
7:30 - 8:30

Friday 2nd July - Mid Year
Summary reports come home

Saturday 3rd July - Rescheduled
PFG's Mid Winter Xmas Quiz

Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th
July Parent / Teacher Interviews

Friday 9th July - Last day of Term 2

School Bank Account

For all online payments our school
Internet banking details are:

ASB bank 12-3140-0316668-01

Please include your child's name,
their room number and what the
payment is for.

PFG

The Redwood PFG are a group of
volunteers who co-ordinate and
support our fundraising efforts. If
you are interested in joining the
team please contact Charlotte
France:

pfg@redwood.school.nz

Compliments & Concerns

If at anytime you have a
compliment or a concern please do
contact your child's teacher. Please
appreciate that during the school
day they are busy teaching and
may not be able to respond to an
email.

The Syndicate Leader, Deputy
Principal or myself are always
available if the concern cannot be
resolved or if the compliment
needs to be shared.

Over the course of this year we have been working with the Education Review Office (ERO). We are one of the first schools to be working with ERO under their new model of inspection and evaluation. Traditionally ERO have spent a week in school scrutinising and analysing our performance as an organisation. At the end of this week the school was presented with a draft report giving a summary of their findings and recommendations. This model was intense for both the ERO reviewers and the school, and provided a moment in time impression of how the school was performing. The new model allocates an Evaluation Partner to work with the school over a significant period of time e.g. one or two years. Our Evaluation Partner is Christine Austin, a very experienced teacher and ERO operative. The focus is very much on the school's capacity and capability to self review and evaluate the effectiveness of what we do, and supporting the school to be more targeted in our actions to support student achievement, as well as ensuring we are meeting our compliance obligations. Christine has identified our introduction of the Zones of Regulation as an initial focus for evaluation, and we will be collecting your thoughts around this through the BOT's biennial Health Curriculum Consultation. You can find a link to this survey later on in this newsletter.

This week there has been a little bit of disruption to normal classroom programmes as teachers attended Paid Union Meetings. We made the decision not to close the school and send teachers to a variety of different meetings to ensure as little inconvenience for our families as possible. These meetings are a precursor to collective bargaining for 2022. One of the main foci for NZEI in their campaign for the next year will be the recommendations made in the Pūaotanga report around staffing in primary schools. This independent report has wide ranging recommendations around how primary schools should be staffed and supported with a particular focus on lowering classroom teacher:student ratios and increased learning support funding. You can find a copy of this report [here](#).

Hopefully we will see you soon at one of our community events, providing the news from the testing centres remains positive!

Ka kite!

Zac Mills - Tumuaki / Principal
zacmills@redwood.school.nz



Welcome to Redwood School

Aria Sanders
Astrid Bates
Wendy Evans



PFG news

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Roti fundraiser. We hope you enjoy the roti and sauces.

Due to the COVID Level 2 announcement our quiz team have had to make the tough decision to Postpone the Mid-Winter Christmas Quiz

The new date will be Saturday 3rd July (COVID levels allowing)

The PFG have put many, many hours & hard work into making the quiz night a fantastic event and fundraiser for our school and we love your support.

An email has been sent to all teams who have booked tables. There are still tables available for the new date.

Email: pfg@redwood.school.nz

Board Shorts

At Monday's meeting we discussed:

- ★ Property
 - ★ Ongoing challenges with property, which hopefully will have a clear outcome by the end of the month
- ★ Zoning
 - ★ We are hoping to extend our zone through a review of the Tawa network
- ★ Curriculum
 - ★ Mid year data and reports being collated
 - ★ Health Curriculum Community consultation survey <https://forms.gle/UsViG46bpqWQpLZf7>
 - ★ Concerns around the skills and knowledge some students are arriving at school with i.e. little letter or number identification and limited oral language. This is impacting on progress and attainment throughout their early school years
- ★ Finance
 - ★ Increased budget and expenditure to support learners with additional needs has increased our forecasted deficit at the end of the year

Community Notices and Advertising

From time to time we are asked to add notices in our school newsletter. It is our practice to ask those making money from these adverts to pay a donation (ie if you are selling something or running a business). If the notice is for a community event then we may do this for free, if there is space available.

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KELLY CLUB

General Information: We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings for children out of school. Our holiday programme is focused around sports, games, and outings to local attractions. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

Who can attend: Children aged 5-13 yrs

What do you need to bring: Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweater, hat, drink bottle and food.

Food: Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12:30pm to 1:00pm each day.

Programme activities: Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice depending on weather conditions and programme numbers.

Payment details: Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

Work and Income OSCAR Subsidy: Parents / caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WIS2 subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit www.inland.govt.nz

Please note: Every one will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers at Kelly Club assume no liability for any injury sustained by your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst on the programme. If your child/ren are called later than the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$15 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

JULY 2021 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

REDWOOD SCHOOL

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	Mon 12 July	Tues 13 July	Wed 14 July	Thurs 15 July	Fri 16 July
WEEK 1					
	WHO'S GOT THE RING Calling all elves! Help us search the forest for the last rings scattered about! Stop along your journey to create your own set of all sizes and trade some delicious elf bread to share!	RIGHT AS RAIN Rainy days don't have to be boring, especially at Kelly Club! Embrace the wet weather by making your own book or board game than enjoy up with some hot chocolate and a movie!	EVENT DAY Join us for an awesome day of fun! We will have a lot of fun, including a big lunch, drink bottle and shoes.	GLITTER VS GOO Get ready for a day of sensory exploration! Let us mix up some goo and get messy! Come along to decorate donuts, mix up some slime, and even create glitter granadola!	PAPER, SCISSORS, ROCK A brand new take on the timeless game of Paper, Scissors, Rock! Test your mind and body using everyday objects. Get ready for extreme organs, dodgeball, and scissor crafts!
WEEK 2					
	CREEPY CRAWLING Are you ready to face your fears? Join us as we dig for insects, see who can make the creepiest spiders, and, if you're brave enough eat a creepy crawly yourself!	PREHISTORIC PALS Ever wondered what life was like in the dinosaur days? Let's find out! Make your mark with cave drawings and handprint art. Hunt for some prehistoric snacks, and find out what it likes with a dig!	EVENT DAY Join us for an awesome trip day to Downtown Cinema and a afternoon. \$15 extra for the day. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle and shoes.	GO FOR GOLD Find out what it means to be an Olympic champion. Work together to overcome a variety of sports challenges to win the gold!	MID-WINTER CHRISTMAS Christmas is a while away but we're celebrating early at Kelly Club! Get your Christmas!
	FULL WEEK: \$250 7am-6pm	FULL DAY: \$50 7am-6pm	SCHOOL DAY: \$39 8:30am-3pm	HALF DAY: \$29 7am-12:30pm or 12:30pm-6pm	EVENT DAY: Extra \$17 (Included in Full Week)

BOOK IN QUICK! SPACES FILL UP FAST!

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz

Redwood School is a community engaging and empowering lifelong learners