



REDWOOD
SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Rākau Pai, Hua Pai

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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)
Michelle Kealey - 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

This will be the final full newsletter for the year - and what a year it has been! Back in February, after a summer of freedom, we weren't quite sure how the COVID-19 landscape would pan out. Now we're in December with a brand new Covid Protection Framework (Traffic Light System), Vaccine mandates and passports required to get a cup of coffee! Unfortunately, 2022 doesn't look like it will be any easier, as we move to a situation where COVID-19, Delta or Omicron (or whatever variant emerges next) is within all our communities.

In the past week I attended an online hui which explained the processes schools need to go through when we get cases within our school community. The Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education have put together some very comprehensive plans for what we will need to do when this eventuates, and we will enact these should we become aware of a case at school. It is clear from what is currently happening at schools around the country that the response will be very school dependant and not 'a one size fits all' approach. The key will be communication, and ensuring that our community continues to use the tracer app to log where they have been and if they have come onto the school grounds.

Delays in materials because of COVID continue to plague our building work and we are still waiting on the aluminium doors and windows before any work can be



Dates for your diary

Friday 10th December - Reports go home

Monday 13th December - Leavers' Assembly during school time

Tuesday 14th February - sits to 2022 classes

Wednesday 15 December - School year ends 12:30

Thursday 3rd February - Term 1 2022 begins

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.

completed. I'd love to say it will be finished before Christmas, but I'm not so sure. With shortages of materials predicted to continue well into next year I fully expect this to impact our weather tightness remediation programme and our intense renovations to Rooms 4 and 5! We will see what the new year brings!

In the past couple of weeks I've really enjoyed popping in and out of classrooms in Pūkeko and Kererū syndicates to see their InSTEAD project based learning in action. The Pūkeko students have been enjoying finding out about the states of matter and insulation materials in their quest to rescue alien babies from Antarctica, including writing some very persuasive letters to me asking for class trips to Antarctica! Kererū have been learning all about electricity and circuits by making interactive posters based on learning they'd done throughout the year. The learning that has been happening has been awesome to see.

On Friday you received your child's End Of Year report. I have thoroughly enjoyed reading all of these and seeing the progress students have made and hearing about the awesome learning opportunities that have been provided during the year. I hope the accompanying letter explaining the information you found in the report made sense. I do encourage you to read this so that you fully understand where your child is currently achieving. In many reports there are some suggestions on what can be done at home over the summer to continue supporting students' learning.

Today we farewelled our Year 6 leavers. Unfortunately, due to schools remaining in the alert level system we were unable to have parents attend, but we were able to livestream this event to families. It has been a pleasure to watch these young people grow and mature over the last 3 years that I have been here. I look forward to hearing about all their future successes and achievements, and am sure they will continue to showcase our RED Values as they continue their educational journeys.

Finally, a friendly reminder that school closes at 12:30 on Wednesday. We will be releasing our students from the car park at the same time.

Ka Kite!

Zac Mills - Tumuaki / Principal

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Welcome to Redwood School

Caitlyn Philander



PFG News

This year's fundraising saw Hotcross buns, Pies & Roti sold, Sausage Sizzles, the kids enjoyed a fun disco and our first ever Midwinter Christmas Quiz night just to name a few

The PFG would like to say a big thank you to all the Redwood school families and staff for their support with all our fundraising activities this year. To everyone who bought a raffle ticket or a pie or volunteered their time and help Thank You!!

We managed to raise a fantastic \$12,820 for our school this year and without your support and help we would never have been able to achieve this.

A special thanks to Michelle Maisuria, Megan Henry, Liz Russell, Karen Brightwell, Steph Knight and Shelly Wilson for all your help during 2021, as well as the support of the BOT and Rachel Gargan, staff rep for the PFG.

2022 promises to be another fantastic year, we have some exciting new fundraising ideas lined up.

We would love to hear from anyone if they have any fundraising ideas they'd like to share.

We look forward to seeing you at next year's PFG meetings. Everyone is welcome.

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.

Racketlon Holiday Programme

Once again Tawa Tennis, Tawa Squash and Wellington North Badminton are running the Racketlon holiday programme these school holidays.

Players rotate around each sport spending 1.5 hours at each club. Qualified coaches will take each session.

Please note holiday programme is for age 6 years and older.

Wednesday 26 , Thursday 27 and Friday 28 January 2022, 9am - 3pm

Cost per day: \$50 or sign up for three days \$135

Registrations: <https://bit.ly/2Z1JsJH>

For more information contact Babette at babette@wnba.org.nz or call 2324774



KELLY SPORTS JANUARY 2022 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – NGATITOA DOMAIN (Yrs 5-13)

From 10 January 2022, our hugely popular Kelly Sports Holiday Programme is back for the January Holidays for children 5-13 years. Come and join the Kelly Sports coaches for the best in sports coaching and competitions

We have created an Action Packed Programme including:

- Football Frenzy, USA Sports Day, H2O Lets Go Day! The Ultimate Warrior Day, Kids VS Coaches, Kids Choice Day, Superhero Day plus trips to Aotea Lagoon, Staglands, Awesome Bounce, Ten Pin Bowling and the Movie Sing 2! plus Zappo the Magician is coming to Kelly Sports and lots more!

Click here to view the Activity Planner

To enrol got to https://kellysports.co.nz/kelly_events/view/13504



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DECEMBER 2021 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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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 schools staff are experienced and work 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, t-shirt or sweater, hat, drink bottle and food.

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

Programme activities: Programme activities are designed to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent 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 WINEZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit www.workandincome.govt.nz.

Waiver notice: Every one will take steps to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained by your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst at a programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$15 per 15 minutes or pro-rata.

	Mon 13 December	Tues 14 December	Wed 15 December	Thurs 16 December	Fri 17 December
WEEK 1	PROGRAMME NOT ON TODAY STILL AT SCHOOL! See you at our BSC/ASC programme!	PROGRAMME NOT ON TODAY STILL AT SCHOOL! See you at our BSC/ASC programme!	PROGRAMME NOT ON TODAY LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! See you at our BSC/ASC programme!	KIDS VS COACHES This is your chance to turn the tables and show your coaches who is really boss! Compete against the Kelly Club coaches to prove that kids rule!	SUMMER CAMP Pack your bags and get ready to have some camp fun! Compete in an epic game of capture the flag then test your craft skills with fort building. Settle down for a yummy campfire snack.
WEEK 2	SUPERHERO DAY Be your own superhero and save the day at Kelly Club! We have the ultimate superhero challenges for you to complete. Can you do it?	ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE Get ready to show what you're grateful for. Make some yummy treats together and a special gift for someone you're grateful for.	FIRST RESPONDERS Celebrate the everyday heroes you look up to! Dress up as your number one hero and compete in our mini sporting hero games!	COPYCAT Have you ever been a human mirror? Today you can be! Come dressed up as your favourite coach. You are their copycat for the day. Mirror them, copy them, you can be them.	KIWIANA CHRISTMAS Get ready for a summery Christmas celebration! Have some fun in the sun with Gumboots Toys and Beach Flag social! Make a special Christmas treat of beachside cookies.
	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)

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