



NEWSLETTER

Rākau Pai, Hua Pai

Roll: 373 | Term 2 | Week 5

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Kiwi Syndicate

Nic Wilkinson - Y1 - Room 5
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 Ginny Gordon - Y2 - Room 2
 Michelle Morpeth - Y2 - Room 3
 (Syndicate Leader)

Pūkeko Syndicate

Belinda Evans - Y4 - Room 11
 Carmel Wilson - Y3 - Room 12
 Hannah Smith - Y3 - Room 13
 Rachel Gargan - Y3/4 - Room 14
 (Syndicate Leader)
 Nicola Webb - Y4 - R15

Kererū Syndicate

Caitlin Roberts - Y5/6 - Room 16
 Jenny Wright - Y5/6 - Room 17
 Donna Glenn - Y5/6 - Room 18
 (Syndicate Leader)
 Kim Perkins - Y5/6 - Room 19
 Mark Kyne - Y5/6 - Room 20

Principal's Post

Tenā koutou Parents, Caregivers and Whānau

Firstly, a big thank you for your support with yesterday's strike. We do realise the impact this has on our students, parents and community, but your continued support is really appreciated to ensure we have a quality public education system in Aotearoa New Zealand. At this stage NZEI, the primary teachers' union, is undecided about what the next action will be, but we will keep you up to date if further industrial action is planned.

A big part of our current education system is the role that Boards of Trustees play in governing schools. You will have received voting papers for the current BOT elections, and I encourage you to vote. We have 6 candidates at these elections, and accompanying voting papers was a short blurb about each candidate. Voting papers need to be returned to school by 7th June.

One of current challenges within the New Zealand education system is the shortage of teachers. This is affecting schools up and down the country in their ability to recruit staff to fill vacancies. We have been lucky to recruit Mrs Emma Ashington for our New Entrant Roll growth classroom. Emma is an experienced teacher, originally from the UK and has been working as a teacher aide in New Zealand whilst her paperwork has been processed. Emma will be starting her classroom on the Monday of Week 7. Unfortunately, this is a week later than originally intended, due to her working through her notice in her current role. We look forward to Emma joining the Redwood team.



Dates for your diary

Friday 31 May - Teacher Only Day

Monday 3rd June - Queen's Birthday

Friday 7th June - Whole School Assembly

Friday 7th June - BOT election voting ends

Tuesday 11th June - 12:00 - Pōwhiri for new families

Tuesday 18th June - Interzone Cross Country (ppt. Thursday 20th June)

Friday 21st June - Whole School Assembly

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:

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 Principals or myself are always available if the concern cannot be resolved or if the compliment needs to be shared.

Last week I sent home a link to a 3 question survey as an initial start to our Curriculum Community Consultation. A big thank you to all of you who have responded so far. We really value your opinions and ideas on how we can create a Redwood School curriculum that is designed around and responsive to the needs and aspirations of our students, whānau and community. To complete the survey please follow the link below:

[Curriculum Community Consultation form](#)

Part of a robust 21st century curriculum is a focus on wellbeing and health. Over the next few weeks I will be conducting the NZCER Wellbeing@school survey with students from Year 4 - 6. This is a survey that all the schools in the Tawa Kāhui Ako are doing with students. As a Community of Learning we will be analysing trends across and within schools. We will also compare our school data with the results from last year. I will be sharing the data from this survey over the coming weeks, celebrating the successes and looking at how we can improve in areas that are of concern.

An area of school life that Redwood consistently performs well in is our sporting success in the Tawa Zone sports. In the cross country this week Redwood students again demonstrated their ability, with a number of students moving onto the Inter-Zone competition in Week 8. Well done to all the students who represented the school so well both in the run and with their behaviour at other time. A big thanks to Mark Kyne and the parents who supported the students on the day.

Tomorrow at the Teacher Only day staff will be exploring and using the Learning Progression Frameworks and PaCT. These are resources that support the assessment of student learning in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. We will be utilising these tools to communicate learning and achievement at mid year conferences. These conferences will be happening in Week 10 of this term, preceded by a Mid Year Summary report. We do hope that you are able to make the time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their learning and progress, and to celebrate their successes in the classroom. More details about the conferences will be sent out closer to the time, including how to book a time slot with your child's teacher.



Zac Mills - Tumuaki / Principal

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PFG News

Book Sausage sizzle made \$653.

Thank you to Rachel Gargan & Ilse Snyckers-Havenith. for organising.

The PFG would like to thank all parent helpers on the day and the following companies for their generous donations: Hellers Sausages for Schools & Brumbies and Bunnings Warehouse for the new BBQ

Red Race committee still looking for someone that would be able to make Curry on race day.

Pie Fundraiser to start soon!



Welcome to Redwood School

Corin Howard

Isaiah Smith

Gwen Sroufe

Ariya Weerasuriya

Heilyn-Leigh Svenson

Community Notices and Adv



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.

A Marsden education for your daughter in Year 7, 2020 Year 7 Information evening, Experience Day and enrolment

For students considering a Year 7 or 9 Marsden education, please note the following key dates:

Year 7 Information Evening – 10 June, 7pm, Marsden School Karori

Experience Marsden Day – 12 June, Marsden Karori

To register for the above events please visit: marsden.school.nz/experience

Tours – please call 476 8707 to organise a personal tour.

Enrolments – It is recommended you come for a tour and that your daughter spends a day in class during Term 2. Apply to [enrol](#) for entry in 2020 by the end of Term 2.

Redwood School is a community engaging and empowering lifelong learners

NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH
WELLINGTON
cordially invites you to attend our

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Every Sunday from 9:15am to 10:15 am
at
Redwood School Hall



Calling all children from 3 to 12 years
to join us in learning God's Word,
singing and other activities.
It's free for anyone – just show up or
call us if you'd like more information.
God bless you!

Contact Phone: (04) 232 3453

Tawa Squash Club Junior Club Night

Friday Nights

67 Main Road, Tawa (next to St Francis
Xavier School)

Have fun, learn new skills, meet new
friends.

Small Nix 5-8 year olds 5pm-5:30pm free

Others 5pm - 7pm \$5 (first week free,
members free)

info@tawasquash.co.nz 04 2328200

Get your kids to learn to play "The
Healthiest Sport in the World"



Wellycon is a not-for-profit community board
game event.

We believe games are a great way for
families to spend quality time together. Our
focus is on building community, developing
connections, and providing an opportunity for
people from all walks of life to come together
and experience fun, laughter, and
camaraderie through board games.

The [facebook page](#) and [website](#) have details
of our event.

WELLYCON

Board games Queen's Birthday weekend
For tickets and details see wellycon.org.nz
2 days of board gaming. Learn to play
sessions, huge selection of games, fun for
everyone! Family Session Sunday 10am-2pm.
Kids teaching kids, spy hunt, dress-up game,
a curated selection of quality family games
and access to the entire games library.

2019 Tawa Stakeholders Resilience Meeting

Guest Speaker: **Hon Kris Faafoi**

Date: **Thursday 27th June 2019**

Time: **7pm for 90 minutes**

Venue: **Tawa Community Centre**

Hear Kris speak as well as updates from local
organisations such as WCC, Wellington
Water and WREMO.

Tawa Recreation Centre July Holiday Programmes are open now

Looking for things to do over the school holidays? School holidays are just around the corner
and spaces fill up quickly. **Book now** Call us 232 2260 or email tawa.rec@wcc.govt.nz for
more information. Or go to [https://wellington.govt.nz/recreation/stuff-for-kids/school-
holidays](https://wellington.govt.nz/recreation/stuff-for-kids/school-holidays)