NEWSLETTER

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Belinda Evans - Y3 - Room 11
Emma Ashington - Y3 - Room 12
Grace O'Rourke - Y3 - Room 13
Rachel Gargan - Y4 - Room 14 (Syndicate Leader)
Kim Perkins - Y4 - Room 15

Kererū Syndicate

Caitlin Roberts - Y5/6 - Room 16 (Syndicate Leader)
Jenny Wright - Y5/6 - Room 17
Carmel Wilson - Y4/5 - Room 18
Donna Glenn - 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

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you and your children managed to have a good break and enjoy some of the beautiful weather we had over this time. Sadly, my family and I managed to test positive for Covid at the beginning of the holidays so it was a very quiet break for us. Hopefully this term is a lot more settled in regard to Covid. It has certainly been nice to see parents back on site and classes with full compliments of students.

It was also awesome to be able to have our first school 'event' of the year, with our annual cross country races taking place on Tuesday 3rd May at Redwood Park. The competition and racing was fierce with some fantastic effort all round. A big thank you to Mark Kyne and the Redwood PE team for their organisation and co-ordination of the event. It was so good to have many parents able to attend, making the whole event feel more community orientated.

Dates for your diary

Term 2 Week 2 - Photos Week
Thursday 12th May - PFG meeting
Friday 13 May - Powhiri 9:20
Tuesday 16 May - BOT Meeting
Wednesday 18 May & Thursday 19 May - Parent / Teacher Conferences
Term 2 Week 4 - Book Week

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 & Complaints

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 be resolved or if the compliment needs to be shared.

There are a couple of upcoming events that I wish to make you aware of. This week we have had our School Photographs happening. These have been happening over the course of the week. Specific class days have been shared via syndicate newsletters. On Friday this week will be having our first school pōwhiri of the year to welcome new students. We would love to have any families of students who have started this year to join us as we welcome them formally to Redwood School. On Wednesday and Thursday of Week 3 we will be having our first Parent /Tecaher Conferences of the year. This is an opportunity to formally meet your child's teacher, discuss how they have settled into the school year and to discuss what their current learning foci are. In Week 4 we will be having our annual Book Week. We have a range of activities organised, including a visiting author and a performance by Perform Education.

Thank you for your support with the move to our Orange settings. It is great to have parents back on site and students mixing and mingling at break times. There has been a real buzz in the playground as different age groups have caught up with each other and played a variety of games. Kapa Haka began again last week, which the students thoroughly enjoyed. Although there was a Covid lull over the school break, there does seem to be a resurgence in the Tawa community since schools came back. Please do let us know if your child is isolating or test positive as this helps us with our records. We are still trying to encourage the wearing of masks should we have students who test positive after they have been at school. We are continuing to try to keep our staff and students as safe as they can be.

It was awesome to see student sport start again this weekend. Well done to our hockey and netball teams in their opening games. I was fortunate enough to see a couple of the Redwood netball teams on a beautiful Saturday morning up at Newlands College, and the play and sportsmanship was of a high standard. Miniball restarted this week too. All the best to all our teams for the rest of the season.

Ka Kite!

Zac Mills - Tumuaki / Principal
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Welcome to Redwood School

Board Shorts

Messages from our Board of Trustees

Meetings were held during the school break regarding the weather tightness issues we are facing. These were held with the MoE and DesignGroupStapletonElliot, who are designing are remediation solutions.

Sadly, the network meeting for Tawa to discuss all the school's enrolment zone has had to be postponed. This is an issue the BOT are keen to address, and we will be pushing hard for another meeting time to be set.

We have lost a few families who have moved out of the area. As a result our roll has dropped. The BOT are monitoring this as it impacts our funding from the MOE.

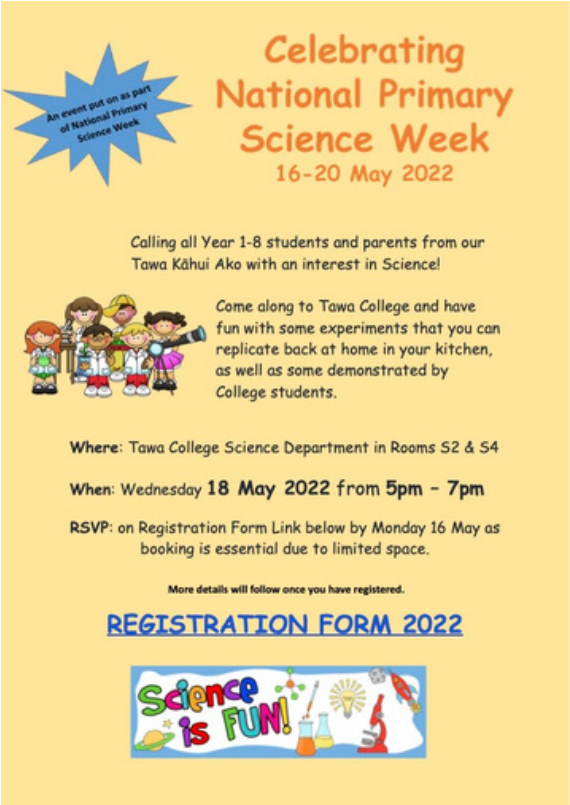
The BOT and school would like to send our best wishes to Melissa Stanton, who resigned on the last day of Term 1. Melissa had worked at Redwood School as a Teacher Aide since 2016. Melissa will be sadly missed, but we wish her well in her new role at the Department of Internal Affairs.

PFG News

Messages from our Parent Fundraising Group

The PFG will be having a meeting on Thursday 12th May at 7:00 in the school staffroom.

Community Advertising



ACTIVE AUTUMN SPORTS – TERM 2 REDWOOD SCHOOL

This 8 x weekly (Thursday's) programme gives children the skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. Its a great way to improve your child's motor skills and coordination.

We aim to develop and enhance balls skills; catching, kicking and throwing, while improving strength, flexibility, hand/eye coordination and spatial awareness.

It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings, giving them the confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

In term 2 we will be focusing on the following sports: Football, Netball, Ultimate Frisbee and Athletics! (2 weeks of each sport).

The sessions start in week 2 on Thursday 12 May 2022.

To enrol go to www.kellysports.co.nz and in the school box put "Redwood"

TEACHER AIDE VACANCY

Redwood School is looking for someone interested in working with some of our learners who are struggling to stay engaged and make progress with their learning.

This would initially be a part time role 9:00 - 12:30 Monday to Friday.

Please contact Zac Mills on 04 232 7704 or zacmills@redwood.school.nz to find out more