



NEWSLETTER

Rākau Pai, Hua Pai

Roll: 352 | Term 3 | Week 8

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Kiwi Syndicate

Lily O'Donovan - NE - Room 9

Korrie Hodes - NE/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 - Y1/2 - Room 3
(Syndicate Leader)

Pūkeko Syndicate

Karen Dessoulavy / Jenny Massey - Y3 -
Room 12

Grace O'Rourke - Y3 - Room 13

Rachel Gargan - Y4 - Room 14
(Syndicate Leader)

Kim Perkins - Y4 - Room 15

Carmel Wilson - Y4 - Room 18

Kererū Syndicate

Caitlin Roberts - Y5/6 - Room 16
(Syndicate Leader)

Zac Mills - Y5/6 - Room 17

Anna Truesdale - Y5/6 - Room 19

Mark Kyne - Y5/6 - Room 20

Emma Ashington - SENCO

Rachel Gargan - Deputy Principal

Principal's Post

Tēnā tatou katoa e te whānau

We are now well over halfway through Term 3, and it is building into a frenzied finish with our production next week and Titahi Bay Sports Exchange in Week 10.

Students and staff have been amazing as classes polish their items for next week's production, Kotahi Rau Tau. For the majority of the students this will be their first production and they're all taking it in their stride. Yesterday's final school run through was looking great, especially as props and costumes are starting to come on board. A massive shout out to our writer, producer, director and all round superstar, Michelle Morpeth, who is enjoying seeing her vision for this year's production come into being. Another massive thank you goes to Cassie Stewart who has been working tirelessly behind the scenes to amalgamate everyone's music and visuals together. On the night there will be refreshments being sold by our awesome PFG. We hope you have been able to secure a ticket!

Earlier in the term the PFG held their annual Mid Winter Quiz. This year's event was another fantastic affair raising a massive \$6553. The PFG work really hard to put on this event for our community. Huge thanks to Charlotte France and her team for the work that goes into this annual event. Some of this money will be going towards new football goals for our field. A massive thank you to Perano Plumbing & Gas who are also making a donation to cover half the costs of these goalposts. A very generous gesture from Andy and Becky. I'm sure the goals will be really well used before and after school.

Dates for your diary

Friday 8th September - Onesie Day
 Monday 11th September - Production
 Dress Rehearsal
 Tuesday 12th September - Production
 Matinee & Evening Performance
 Wednesday 13th September -
 Production Evening Performance
 Thursday 14th September - Interzone
 Swimming
 Friday 15th September - Orange Day
 Parade
 Monday 18th September - Titahi Bay
 Sports Exchange
 Wednesday

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 resolved or if the
 compliment needs to be shared.

We have settled into our 'new normal' with the traffic diversion, and it is mostly going as well as can be expected. Whilst daily visits from the council or police have stopped, we are still getting regular visits to check on how things are going. Richard from Wellington City Council has been attending our BoT Meetings to give updates and gather feedback, and I know he has responded to questions from our community both in person and via email. One of the recommendations made by the police in conjunction with was to prohibit the right turn in and out of Redwood Park Car Park. Whilst not legally enforceable, cars waiting to turn right in and out of the park carpark do hold up traffic and cause issues for our road patrollers. If you intend to use these parking spaces, please try to approach the car park from the north and exit southbound by turning left. Work on Main Road is working to schedule - let's hope it continues that way!

As we approach the end of Term 3, our minds move to Term 4 and next year. Term 4 is always a busy term, complicated by planning for the following year. One thing we start looking at early in Term 4 is class organisation. If you have information that you think would be useful for us to know in placing your child in their 2024 class, please get in touch with me: zacmills@redwood.school.nz

A change to our Term 4 dates is the addition of a Ministry of Education mandated Staff Only Day. This day is on **Monday 13th November** for the purpose of looking at the new refreshed curriculum. Kelly Club will be open on this day.

We have an exciting couple of weeks ahead with our Production and Titahi Bay Sports Exchange in Week 10. These are both great opportunities for our students to showcase their talents and shine, and we look forward to sharing these events with you.

Ka Kite!

Zac Mills - Tumuaiki / Principal

zacmills@redwood.school.nz



Welcome to Redwood School

Ruvinu Witharama

Lily O'Donovan - Room 9 Teacher

Harpa White

Pablo Atkinson

Jaxton Anderson

Rithul Adhvik Arvind

Shivansh Narotham

Mia Rapson-Bennett

Isabelle Huggins-Smith

Oscar Gandy

Chloe Christensen

Board Shorts

Messages from our Board of Trustees

At our most recent BoT meeting we discussed:

- Ongoing traffic diversion
- Planning for 2024 (staffing, special needs support, funding, roll numbers)
- Redwood School as a Community Emergency Hub
- Strategic Community Consultation
- Fundraising

PFGB News

Messages from our Parent Fundraising Group

A huge thank you for your support with our Mid Winter Quiz, especially our sponsors and Yeah Nah! Quizzes.

A big thank you for supporting our Pie Fundraiser too!

Coming up we have:

- Refreshments at the Production
- Calendar Art Sales
- Term 4 Colour Run

If you're interested in getting involved or finding out more please do email Charlotte France at pfg@redwood.school.nz



Community Notices

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 27, Thursday 28 and Friday 29 September 2023, 9am - 3pm

Cost per day: \$55 a day or \$150 for all 3 days.

Registrations: <https://rb.gy/s556m>

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



FAMILY FUN DAY AT TAWA SQUASH CLUB



<p>WHAT IS HAPPENING </p> <p>An afternoon of fun activities & food surrounded by family & friends!</p> 	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;">  <div> <p>WHEN </p> <p>Saturday 9 September 2023 2pm Start Free Sausage Sizzle & Lolly Scramble at 4:30pm</p> </div> </div>
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="margin-left: 10px;"> <p>ACTIVITIES </p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Racketball • Badminton • Volleyball • Squicket (Squash/Cricket) • Squash & fun squash skills • Target practice • Spot prizes • Wii • Pool table • Table Tennis • Indoor bowls  </div> </div>	<p>EVERYONE IS WELCOME, INCLUDING NON-MEMBERS </p> <p>Squash player, non-squash player, member, non-member? Everyone is welcome. Find yourself a crew to come with or bring the family! There will be activities for people of all ages!</p>
<p>SEE YOU THERE!</p> <p>info@tawasquash.co.nz or find us on Facebook Tawa Squash Club 027 677 8274</p>	<p>PARKING</p> <p>Parking is available on Mckeeffry Grove, or on the Main Road just past the squash club or in St Francis Xavier School.</p> 

67 Main Road, Tawa



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self-referral online
for children and parents
all ages and stages

WE HELP WITH:

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request your counselling session now at:
www.parenthelp.org.nz/counselling



Holiday Programme

For Primary School aged children

Come join us for a fast paced week of crazy songs and dances, stories, games and crafts.

Dates: 25 - 29 September
Time: 9:30am - 12:30pm

Cost: \$10 per day or \$40 for the week*

Venue: St Christopher's Anglican Church, Tawa
Queries: 021 2043030

Booking: tac.org.nz

Pre-registration is essential

*concession rate available for extra members of the same household

TAWA ANGLICANS

