REDWOOD SCHOOL

FINAL UPDATE FOR THE YEAR

Rākau Pai, Hua Pai

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Principal's Post

Tēnā tatou katoa e te whānau

Today is the final day of yet another funny school year. A year which has been dominated for me, unfortunately, by Covid and property issues. Hopefully 2022 will see significant progress in these areas, and whilst I know there will be challenges to come I am hopeful that next year will be much more positive in both these spaces.

This week we have formally said farewell to our Year 6 Leavers. This was not done in our usual way with parents present, but took the form of a virtual assembly We were certainly pleased to be able to be joined by close to 50 guests viewing this ceremony. Hopefully, it will still be an occasion the Year 6s remember, despite the unusual format.

We also had a rather wet 'fun' day yesterday. A big thank you to Harcourts, Tawa who sponsored our bouncy castles in the hall. Your support is always very much appreciated.

In this final communication for the year I would like to acknowledge a few people who continue to work really hard for our school and our students.

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge our Board of Trustees. They are doing a lot of work behind the scenes supporting me in our pursuit of good outcomes with our weather tightness projects and our review of our school zone, both with the MOE. They are also doing some important work looking at ways to best support the wellbeing of both our staff and students.

I would also like to thank Charlotte France and the PFG, who have worked tremendously to raise money for the school this year. The Mid Winter Quiz they organised was fantastic and they have some exciting plans for 2022.

I also want to acknowledge our students, your children. They have coped well with different pickup times and protocols, restricted activities and a building site. I hope they have enjoyed their year despite these challenges and look forward to seeing most of them again next year.

Of course, I need to say a massive thank you to our staff; teachers, teacher aides and support staff. We have a fantastic team here at Redwood who do their best for the students in our care. After the year it's been they throughly deserve a break.

Finally, a big thank you to you; our whānau. You have supported us through a difficult year, despite disruptions to normal day to day organisation. You have responded to our requests for help, donations and feedback. Thank you for all you do to support us in teaching your children.

We look forward to seeing you all back on Thursday 3rd February 2022 for another great year of learning.

Ka Kite!

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