



RIVERSDALE SCHOOL
Inspiring Excellence

Our School Values:
We are:
Respectful - Whakaute
Responsible - Kawenga
Resilient – Manawaroa
Our Well-being – Hauora, supports these.

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Riversdale School Newsletter – **Term 1 Week 2**

Welcome: Dhiman Hewa Bettege

*Whakaute
Respect*

Tena Koutou Parents, Caregivers and Whanau.
Hello everyone,
Kia ora e hoa mā.

REAP Swimming Lessons

These continue this week. Children must bring their togs every day for the next week as they have a qualified instructor for a 30 minute session in the pool. This is very valuable learning, and we want every child to receive the 5 lessons so they continue to make great progress.

Please pack some extra food in lunches as children will be hungry with the extra activity – they may need a sandwich for morning tea as well as a couple for lunch. They will also be more tired than usual so make sure they are off to bed earlier or on time so that they can be working in the classroom and in the pool, to their full potential.

Time	9:30-10:00 Miss Stevenson	10:00-10:30 Miss P	10:30-11:00 Miss Frei	11:00-11:30 Mrs King	11:30-12:00 Miss Callander	12.00-12.30 Miss Harper
Room	Room 1 Yr 7/8	Room 7 Yr 5/6	Room 6 Yr 4/5	Room 3 Yr 3	Room 4 Yr 1/2	Room 5 New Entrant

If you can help out at any of the times above, please contact the teacher, as whanau/parents supporting in the pool means more time for children to practice their skills.

Meet the Teacher 2 March 5.30pm – 6.30pm.

We are having an early evening meet the teacher hui here at school on Thursday 2 March, between 5.30 and 6.30pm. It is an informal opportunity to come in and meet your child’s 2023 teacher, and discuss any school matters that you may have questions or comments about. You are very welcome to bring your children with you if baby sitting is difficult as they can play outside on the playground while you pop in to chat to their teacher. We look forward to seeing you.

Sunhats – these are required to be worn when outside in Terms 1 and 4. **Please make sure they are named.**

Homework –

Andrews Transport have kindly donated your child/rens homework book. We really appreciate their support.

Vests – all children have a vest to wear to school. Please name them and make sure they are at school every day.

Coming Up....

6 February	School closed for Waitangi Day Observance
7 February	First day of the 2023 school year. School starts 9am. Yahoo!
8 February	Jack here for cricket sessions
13 February	REAP swimming lessons every day for the next two weeks.
20 February	REAP swimming lessons for all children daily this week. Riversdale School is hosting the Māori Achievement Cluster Maths lead teacher cluster meeting at Riversdale
22 February	Home and School meeting 7.30pm in the staffroom.
27 February	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm in the staffroom.
28 February	NZEI Teachers Paid Union Meeting
2 March	Meet the Teacher 5.30-6.30pm here at school.
8 March	Waimea Athletics here at Riversdale
9 March	Pool Meeting. Everyone welcome to attend. In the staffroom at 7pm.
15 March	Northern Athletics at Lumsden
16, 17, 20 March	Life Education Van here – Teresa and Harold
25 March	Southland Athletics at Surrey Park Invercargill
27 March	Board of Trustees meeting in the staffroom 7pm.
29 March	Community Assembly 1.45pm in the hall.
31 March	Northern Swimming
4-6 April	Years 5 and 6 Camp
6 April	Last day of Term 1.
7 April	Good Friday. School holidays for the next two weeks.

The students below received certificates for displaying the values of being respectful, resilient, and responsible, at Riversdale School, last week.

Kei te pai - Well done! You all displayed the school values so well.

	Manawaroa-Resilience	Whakaute-Respect	Kawenga-Responsible
Room 1	Skyla	Max	Zeke
Room 7	Lachie	Harry	Amanda
Room 6	Bella	Kaelee	Ashlyn
Room 3	Lucy M	Mathew	Fergus
Room 4	Reid	Emily	Leigh
Room 5	Hugo	Frankii	William

School Buses

Our four bus drivers are Jan Robertson, Michael Lobb, Robin Sherratt and James Nicolson. There are no changes therefore the buses will be running the same routes at the same times as December 2022. Please inform the driver if your child is off the bus in the morning.

Jan Robertson – 027 6088203

James Nicolson – 027 2848816

Robin Sherratt – 021 2930631

Michael Lobb – 027 3725785

Athletics - Marking Out Sports Grounds

When: Monday 6 March, 3pm

Where: Riversdale Rugby Sports Grounds

If you can help PLEASE come along.

PRIMARY SCHOOL GOLF

Our “School Pupils” Golf Club will begin again on Friday 10 February. For the benefit of any new players, I have outlined some of the details about this activity below.

This Club is open to all pupils from year 3 and above, and will meet at the Riversdale Golf Course each Friday during the summer terms.

Sessions times will be 3:30 pm – 4:45 pm for primary school pupils and 4:45 – 6:00pm for older pupils. There is no cost for these Friday sessions and all gear is provided.

If your child is interested in being part of this activity, or if you have any questions about this club, please do not hesitate to phone me at 021 2037547.

**Kind regards
Stuart Riordan**

Riversdale Fat Lamb and Calf Fundraiser

Prize giving and social evening is Friday 17 February at 6pm at the Sports Grounds. Everyone is welcome to come along.

BALFOUR PUMP PARK

'OPENING'

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25TH AT
10.00AM**

**"HELMETS" ARE ESSENTIAL,
BRING A BIKE, SCOOTER OR SKATEBOARD AND WATCH A
DEMONSTRATION BY THE PUMP DESIGNERS**

ALL WELCOME

(situated next to the Balfour Community Playground)



Athletics for Term 1 starts on Tuesday the 7th
January 2022, 5:30pm at Newman Park.

Looking forward to seeing everyone again, new
members most welcome.

Any queries please contact
Vicky Muir 021 265 5712 or Michelle Houghton
027 9532 630.

Come
along
and
support
the
Shears



All
Welcome

RIVERSDALE SPEED SHEARS

COMMUNITY EVENT 18TH FEB 4.30PM

Not only are we running our annual Speed Shears, but we are hosting our bi annual community event where we are fundraising for the Riversdale Tennis Club & The Waikaia Trails Trust

Bar and BBQ
on site

Raffles &
Auction

Eftpos on site
Shearing fun

Kids games and
activities

Live entertainment

Gemma Bulleid

FAMILY FUN DAY

SUNDAY 26th FEBRUARY

at the

RIVERSDALE SCHOOL

11.00 AM - 3.00 PM

MINI JEEPS

Water Cylinders

BUMPER BALLS

Bouncy Castles
SUMO SUITS



**FOOD AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE:
SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND DRINKS**

*Come along and enjoy a great day
out with all your family!*

FREE ENTRY & RIDES

Organisers:

RIVERSDALE LIONS CLUB

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