



25th June 2026

Term 2 Week 10

**Kia Ora, Kamusta, Āyubōvan, Sata srī akāla, Namaskāra,
Hallā, Dia dhuit, Kam na mauri, Mālō e Lelei, Hello**

Kia Ora Parents and Whānau

Coming up tomorrow (Friday) we have our annual Matariki Breakfast followed by Community Assembly. Matariki Breakfast will start at 8am. This is open to all family members. Come along, bring your own cup, plates and cutlery and join us for breakfast. Students coming on the bus can also join us when they arrive if they wish - they will also need plates and cutlery. Immediately after breakfast we will have Community Assembly, starting at 9:15am. During this assembly we will be celebrating Mrs Heather Wing who has been on our staff for 30 years.

After Assembly the children will have morning tea then will be working on Matariki activities in their house groups. Parents and family members are welcome to stay and join in with these activities. The activities will teach about Matariki, but also give the students the opportunities to develop their co-operative learning skills, collaboration and tuakana-teina (family) relationships.

School Reports will be sent home tomorrow - check your eldest child's school bag.

During the last week of school we have parent teacher conferences. You can book your time with your child's teacher via the Hero App. Look for "School Bookings" on the App. This will be closed for bookings on Monday 29th June.

Earlier in the week a link to a survey was sent home from the Board regarding the possibility for a school uniform. Thanks to everyone who has already responded. Here is the link again if you cannot find it on Hero <https://forms.gle/j7ktga5qAHyAaDXf7> . The survey will close for responses on Friday 3rd July. Please only one response per family.

The Home and School are also running a Sausage Sizzle next Thursday, 2nd July. Orders must be placed by tomorrow - Friday. If you haven't already placed an order here is the link <https://forms.gle/Yj6rNYHF57ryrV9Z7> . All payments sent to school ASAP in a bag or envelope, with your child's name on the front.

The Home and School have a playground fundraiser underway - The Riversdale Grocery Giveaway. This is the last big playground fundraiser for the year and it is really important that we get out and support it. Tickets are \$6 each – buy online at <https://www.trybooking.com/nz/BDZC> or scan the QR code below. Go onto the Home and School Facebook page and share this with all your friends.

Planning for the new playground is underway. We have a plan and are just refining this with the supplier. Keep an eye out later in the year when we have the final plan locked down.

We still have heaps of pinecones available to sell and we need to get them out of the shed. The price has been reduced to \$5 per bag or \$15 for 4 bags.

Have a wonderful weekend.
Nga mihi,
Bronwyn and the Riversdale Staff

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini
My success is not mine alone, it is the success of the collective

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

Certificates from Week 10



	STAR OF THE WEEK	Te Reo Māori Learner of the Week
Room 7	Lexi	Jack
Room 6	Cruz	Bella
Room 5	Jack S	Ruby
Room 4	Noah	Beetita
Room 3	Callum	Sophie
Room 2	Colton	Anakin
Room 1	All of Room 1	



Congratulations to our Year 5&6 festival Netball Team who competed in Invercargill yesterday. They won 2 games and many comments were made about how kind they were as they showed lots of fair play – Tu Meke team!

The 2 Year 7&8 teams are playing today – Good luck.





Coming Up....

Term 2

26 June

30 June & 2 July

3 July

Matariki Breakfast followed by Community Assembly

Parent Teacher Conferences

Term 2 Ends

Term 3

20 July

3 August

Term 3 begins

Board of Trustees Meeting 7pm. Agenda closes 12pm Thursday 30th July



Parents, Caregivers and Whanau are invited to visit the SchoolDocs site to read our school policies. Each term the Board reviews a number of policies and procedures. Parents, Whanau and Families are invited to read and make comment when these come up for review. To read any of our policies follow the steps below

To review policy documents:

1. Visit the website link:
<https://riversdale.schooldocs.co.nz>
2. Enter the Username: *riversdale*
3. Enter the Password: *excellence*
4. Click into the *Parents Quick Links* tab to easily find the policy you require.

Pinecones For Sale

We still have heaps of bags of pinecones for sale. Winter is coming! If you would like to purchase pinecones, come on down and grab them from school. **They are 1x bag for \$5 and 4x bags for \$15.**

School Buses

Our four bus drivers are Jan Robertson, Michael Lobb, Rhonda Wilson and Paul Eason

Please inform the driver if your child is off the bus in the morning.

Jan Robertson – 027 6088203	(Kaweku - Yellow Bus)
Michael Lobb – 027 3725785	(Wendon - Green Bus)
Rhonda Wilson - 027 2578895	(Waipounamu - Blue Bus)
Susanne Davis - 022 1363509	(Mandeville - Red Bus)

Please do not make any alternative arrangements with your child's bus driver without first checking with the school as our bus routes are set by the Ministry of Education and we are unable to go outside of our transport zone to drop students in different places. We are aware that some of our buses do travel past houses on the driver's way home, unfortunately this does not mean they are able to drop off students. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to be in touch with the school.



RIVERSDALE SCHOOL

Home & School Association

Playground Fundraiser

Our final big playground fundraiser for the year is our Grocery Giveaway.

Win big while giving back! There are 5 Grocery voucher prizes (to a supermarket chain of your choice) totalling \$2000!!

Tickets are \$6 each – buy online at <https://www.trybooking.com/nz/BDZC> or scan the QR code below.

Details

- Vouchers can be for any supermarket NZ wide, so please share this far and wide – it's a raffle that can be for family/friends/colleagues in any part of the country!
- There are only 2000 tickets available (which is about 15 per student – but please don't stop at this if you can sell more, the quicker we sell them all the quicker we can do the draw!).
- Once all 2000 tickets are sold the raffle will be drawn with police presence at the next school assembly.

Catering

Thanks for everyone who has offered to help out and donate ingredients for the Balfour Dinner Club catering on 30th June. Non perishables can be dropped to box in the office between now and then, and perishables to the office fridge on Monday 29th please.

Beanies

There are about 20 Riversdale beanies left if you would like one \$35 email riversdalehas@gmail.com to order.



Help Needed

We are going to do a sausage sizzle on the last day of term – if there were a couple of parents that could please help out with cooking/serving it would be much appreciated – please get in touch with a committee member if you can help! Something will go out on hero next week for sausage orders.

Please join our Facebook page 'Riversdale Home and School' to keep up to date with all our latest info.

Thanks

Home & School Committee – Kelly-Anne, Ronee, Julie & Jenna.

RIVERSDALE

Home & School

Grocery

GIVEAWAY

Win big while giving back!

1ST PRIZE

≡ \$750 ≡

2ND PRIZE

≡ \$500 ≡

3RD PRIZE

≡ \$250 ≡

4TH PRIZE

≡ \$250 ≡

5TH PRIZE

≡ \$250 ≡

≡ TICKETS \$6 EACH ≡



PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS
ONLINE AT:

<https://www.trybooking.com/nz/BDZC> →



FUNDRAISING FOR A
**MUCH NEEDED
NEW SCHOOL PLAYGROUND**



RIVERSDALE SCHOOL & COMMUNITY POOL



Available all year round from School Office

RIVERSDALE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY POOL Fundraiser

Baking Paper (100m x 30cms)	\$35
Roll Foil (150m x 44cms)	\$30
Roll Foil (150m x 30cms)	\$30
Foodwrap (300m x 33cms)	\$26
Foodwrap (600m x 33cms)	\$36




Use Description and Last Name as reference

Payment to: 03 0915 0285905 00



Community Notices

Space Adventure Holiday Program

TUESDAY JULY 14TH TO
THURSDAY JULY 16TH
FROM 1PM-3.30PM
AT THE RIVERSDALE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
AGES 4-13

Conquer Fear and
Become a Brave Space
Adventurer!
*Crafts, Games, Snacks,
Bible Stories, and More!*



**\$5 per day or
\$10 for 3 Days
Family Discounts
Apply**

Contact Sarah to Register: 021 025 88731
sarahcowan3@gmail.com

Helping To Brush?

‘It’s best to wait until they turn 8...’

...before you stop helping your child to brush their teeth

Until about age 8, your child is likely to miss brushing areas such as their back teeth and their gums





Health New Zealand
Te Whatu Ora

Community Oral
Health Service

Talkteeth Southern



Waikaia POKER RUN

Hosted by:
 waikaia forest trails

PRIZES
FOR BEST HANDS

SPOT PRIZES
RAFFLES & AUCTIONS

TRAILBLAZER CHALLENGE

SATURDAY
JULY 25, 2026

START & END AT
WAIKAIA HOTEL
11AM

\$50 PER VEHICLE
FIRST HAND INCLUDED

\$20 FOR ADDITIONAL
POKER HANDS



REGISTER
TODAY: www.waikaiaforesttrails.co.nz



MĀRUAWAI
COLLEGE

OPEN NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 22 JULY

Junior Campus Year 7 - 8
5:30PM - 6:30PM

Senior Campus Year 9 - 13
6:30PM - 7:30PM